INSPECTION REPORT: GREENS CREEK MINE

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Date of Inspection: Wednesday, September 24, 2014
Date of Report: Tuesday, September 30, 2014
USDA Forest Service Inspector: Curtis Caton

Ranger District: Admiralty National Monument, Juneau Ranger District
Weather Conditions: partly cloudy. Temperatures in the mid 50's (◦F).

Exploration in accordance with operating plan	Satisfactory
Timber removal following timber sale contract	Not Applicable
BMPs for erosion control	Satisfactory
Water Quality BMPs	Not Applicable
Public safety & fire prevention	Not Applicable
Reclamation work adequate and timely	Satisfactory
Roads maintenance adequate and current	Not Applicable
Tails placement in accordance with plan	Not Applicable
Waste Rock placement in compliance	Not Applicable
Company supervision of operation	Satisfactory
Operating in a clean and orderly manner	Satisfactory

Any conditions noted as UNSATISFACTORY will require follow up action by the Mine Inspector and a written memorandum to the operator, outlining the necessary work.

NEW REMARKS

Coastal helicopters provided transport.

Rebecca Goddard (Exploration Manager, Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company) accompanied Curtis Caton (Geologist, US Forest Service) on this inspection.

The purpose of this inspection was to verify compliance of reclamation at HGCMC 2014 exploratory drilling sites in accordance with HGCMC 2014 Surface Exploration Annual Work Plan, the requirements of the State of Alaska, and the 2014 Decision Memo issued by the Admiralty Monument Ranger.

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HGCMC utilized three exploratory drilling sites out of a proposed twenty in the 2014 season. At sites Killer 23, Killer 57, and Killer 48 a drilling pad, sump, and landing pad were constructed. Killer 23, Killer 57 and Killer 48 all employed two exploratory drill holes, totaling six exploratory holes drilled in the 2014 season. Site Killer 57 was actively under reclamation during this inspection and not visited.

Site Killer 48 complies with with HGCMC 2014 Surface Exploration Annual Work Plan and reclamation is complete except for removal of one drill collar and the communications repeater. Rebecca Goddard stated that removal of the collar would occur before close of the 2014 season. No visible sign of erosion, garbage, or environmental damage was documented and revegetation will occur naturally at this site (Photo 01-05).

Reclamation at Killer 23 complies with with HGCMC 2014 Surface Exploration Annual Work Plan. No visible sign of erosion, garbage, or environmental damage was documented and revegetation will occur naturally at this site (Photo 06-10).

ACTION/FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

- **Requested dated (before and after) pictures of all three drill sites (Killer 23, 48, and 57) from HGCMC exploration.**
- **Photo documenting removal of the drill collar at Killer 48.**
- **Repeater removal from Killer 48 at project completion.**
- **Subsequent reclamation of Killer 57.**

PHOTOS
(High-resolution version of all images available upon request)

Photo 01. Killer 48, pad location.

Photo 02. Killer 48, trench to sump.

Photo 03. Killer 48, sump.

Photo 04. Killer 48, drill collar.

Photo 05. Killer 48, communications repeater.

Photo 06. Killer 23, tree removal for long line slinging and pad construction.

Photo 07. Killer 23.

Photo 08. Killer 23, pad partly constructed of cut trees. Dimensioned lumber removed.

Photo 09. Killer 23.

Photo 10. Killer 23, sump.

Thanks to HGCMC for a safe visit.
U.S. Forest Service Officer: /s/ Curtis Caton