INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING A DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A development plan is a written statement (narrative) and a sketch or blueline drawing describing the proposed use and development of state land. The information contained in a development plan is needed to provide a complete review of the application and the proposed use and development, and helps to determine the terms and conditions of the authorization and the level of bonding and insurance that may be required.

Most applications submitted to the Division of Mining, Land and Water must have an attached development plan. The few exceptions to this rule include applications for state land sales and some types of land use permit. The amount and type of information included in the development plan will depend on the proposed use and level of development. Insufficient information in the development plan and/or application or failure to provide a development plan may result in a delay in processing the application. If you are unsure whether your application will require a development plan, contact the regional office responsible for managing the area you are planning to use (regional office addresses and phone numbers are shown at the top of this sheet).

If the application is approved, the approved development plan becomes a part of the authorization document. Authorized activities are limited to those described in the development plan and/or authorization document. The development plan must be updated if changes to an approved project are proposed before or during the project’s siting, construction, or operation; if any additional structures, buildings, or improvements are proposed; or if there is a change in activity that was not addressed during consideration of the application. Please note that these development plans or plan changes must be approved by the Division of Mining, Land and Water before any change occurs in use, construction, or activity. Conducting activities that are not authorized by the development plan and authorization document could result in revocation and termination of the authorization and/or other appropriate legal action.

I. General Guidelines for Preparing a Development Plan

For new authorizations, the development plan must show the proposed improvements and/or use areas, as well as preconstruction plans. For existing authorizations without a current development plan or if the development plan is being updated, the plan must show existing improvements and/or use areas, etc., and any known future changes. The development plan must include:

- Maps: a USGS map at a scale of at least 1:63,360 showing the location of the proposed project; a blueline drawing or sketch, drawn to scale (the attached diagram may be used); and

- Written Project description: a detailed written description (narrative) of the intended use and level of development planned under the authorization and an explanation of the sketch or blueline drawing.
II. **Land Use Permits** Permanent improvements cannot be authorized by a land use permit. However, a development plan accompanying a land use permit application must describe nonpermanent structures and activities. (Nonpermanent structures are structures that can be easily and quickly taken down and removed from the site, without any significant disturbance or damage to the area.) Several of the specific development plan items listed below will not apply to activities authorized under a land use permit; those items that do apply should be described in as much detail as possible, to enable prompt review of the application. If the proposed land use permit activity is of a mobile nature, such as a permit to move heavy equipment across state land, a development plan is not required; but a map showing the proposed route of travel is required. If the impact would not have a significant effect on the environment, such as a permit to harvest wild produce, a development plan is not required, but a map showing the location of the proposed harvest area is required.

III. **Narrative portion of the development plan** Describe the type of activities or development planned for the site; specify if any facilities are intended for commercial use, or will be rented out; and provide a description and explanation of the items shown on the sketch or blueline. Following is a list of specific information to be included in the narrative, if applicable to the proposed project:

- **Legal description.** Provide a legal description of the parcel, i.e. a metes and bounds description, survey, lot and block, aliquot part, or other legal description.
- **Terrain/ground cover.** Describe the existing terrain/ground cover, and proposed changes to the terrain/ground cover.
- **Access.** Describe existing and planned access, and mode of transportation. If public access is to be restricted, define possible alternative public access routes.
- **Buildings and other structures.** Describe each building or structure, whether permanent or temporary, including a description of the foundation as well as the building and floor construction; the date when the structure is to be constructed or placed on the parcel; the duration of use; and what activities are to occur within each structure.
- **Power source.** Describe type and availability of power source to the site.
- **Waste types, waste sources, and disposal methods.** List the types of waste that will be generated on-site, including solid waste, the source, and method of disposal.
- **Hazardous substances.** Describe the types and volumes of hazardous substances present or proposed, the specific storage location, and spill plan and spill prevention methods. Describe any containment structure(s) and volume of containment structure(s), the type of lining material, and configuration of the containment structure. Provide Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).
- **Water supply.** Describe the water supply and wastewater disposal method.
- **Parking areas and storage areas.** Describe long-term and short-term parking and storage areas, and any measures that will be taken to minimize drips or spills from leaking vehicles or equipment. Describe the items to be stored in the storage areas.
- **Number of people using the site.** State the number of people employed and working on the parcel, and describe the supervisor/staff ratio. Estimate the number of clients that will be using the site.
- **Maintenance and operations.** Describe the long-term requirements, how they will occur and who will perform the work. Specify if any subcontractors will be involved, and explain the tasks they will perform.
- **Closure/reclamation plan.** Provide a closure/reclamation plan, if required for the type of authorization being applied for, e.g. material sale.

IV. **Sketch or blueline portion of the development plan** The sketch or blueline must be drawn to scale, and each item labeled in such a way that the information contained in the drawing can be located in the narrative portion of the development plan (professional quality drafting and mechanical lettering is preferred). Following is a list of information to be shown on the drawing, if applicable:
• Section, Township, and Range lines; North arrow; scale; title; and legend (attached is an acceptable format).
• All property boundaries, ordinary or mean high water lines, and existing or proposed rights-of-way; major topographic features such as roads, streams, rivers, and lakes, and their geographic names.
• Location and dimensions of any gravel pads, or cement foundations, buildings, and other structures and improvements, appropriately labeled.
• Location of any buried or above-ground utility lines (power, water, fuel, natural gas, etc.); sewage facilities, including sewage and wastewater outfall point; underground water system; and water source (if any).
• Location where any hazardous substances, including but not limited to oil, lubricants, fuel oil, gasoline, solvents, and diesel fuel, are stored. Method of storage (tank, drum, etc.).
• Location of parking areas, and areas for the storage of inactive vehicles; snow storage areas; storage areas for any other items not mentioned above (drill rigs, camps, pipe, watercraft, etc.).