

Department of Natural Resources

DIVISION OF MINING, LAND & WATER Southcentral Regional Land Office

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January 2, 2020

RE: ISSUANCE OF THE FINAL FINDING AND DECISIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING DONLIN GOLD LLC APPLICATIONS:

ADL 232199 – Lease for airstrip and related improvements

ADL 232200 – Lease for a port facility

ADL 232334/ADL 232360 - Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232335/ADL 232361 - Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232336/ADL 232362 – Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232337/ADL 232363 - Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232338/ADL 232364 - Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232339/ADL 232365 - Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232340/ADL 232366 - Material Sale/Material Site

ADL 232346 – Easement for access roads

ADL 232368 – Easement for fiber optic cable

LAS 31107 - Land Use Permit for a temporary access route

LAS 31108 – Land Use Permit for a temporary access route

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW), Southcentral Regional Land Office (SCRO) has made a final decision to issue the above-listed authorizations to Donlin Gold LLC (Donlin) for activities on state lands related to the proposed Donlin Gold Project. This letter is being sent to those who provided written comments during the public comment period from January 28, 2019 to March 29, 2019, and April 9, 2019 to May 13, 2019, for the Preliminary Decisions associated with Donlin's applications for use of state lands. The Final Finding and Decision documents are available on DMLW's Donlin Gold Project website at http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/notice/donlin/.

Based upon this notice of the above-described actions, as follows is the appeal procedure:

A person affected by this decision who provided timely written comment or public hearing testimony on this decision may appeal it, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received within 20 calendar days after the date of "issuance" of this decision, as defined in 11 AAC 02.040(c) and (d) and may be mailed or delivered to the Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; faxed to 1-907-269-8918, or sent by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov. Under 11 AAC 02.030, appeals and requests for reconsideration filed under 11 AAC 02 must be accompanied by the fee established in 11 AAC 05.160(d)(1)(F), which has been set at \$200 under the provisions of 11 AAC 05.160(a) and (b).

If no appeal is filed by the appeal deadline, this decision goes into effect as a final administrative order and decision of the Department on the 31st calendar day after issuance. An eligible person

must first appeal this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to Superior Court (11 AAC 02.020(a) and (b)). A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional office of the Department of Natural Resources.

If you have further questions or would like to request a hardcopy version of the decisions, please contact Samantha Carroll, SCRO Donlin Project Coordinator, at (907) 269-8548, or samantha.carroll@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

Samantha Carroll

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