PUBLIC NOTICE – FORT KNOX MINE

Renewal Applications and Draft State Decisions

Fort Knox Mine is an open pit gold mine located 15 air miles northeast of Fairbanks, Alaska in the Fish Creek drainage. Mine operations are conducted by Fairbanks Gold Mining Inc. (FGMI), a wholly owned subsidiary of Kinross Gold USA Inc. The project area encompasses about 8,711 acres of State and private land, including about 5,828 acres under the Millsite Leases ADL 414960 and ADL 414961. FGMI applied for renewal of the following state authorizations: the mine's Waste Management Permit, Plan of Operations, and Reclamation and Closure Plan.

On February 14, 2020, the State of Alaska is releasing application renewal materials for Fort Knox Mine's existing mining operation authorizations and the following draft State decisions for a 32-day public review and comment period:

- Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Water, draft Waste Management Permit No. 2020DB0002 for disposing of mine tailings, ore on two heap leach pads, and other mine-related wastes from the Fort Knox Mine
- Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water, draft Plan of Operations Approval (F20209852POOA) for continued mining, milling, and heap leach operations
- Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water, draft Reclamation Plan Approval (F20209852RPA) and a closure cost estimate

HOW TO COMMENT

Copies of the draft state decisions and application renewal documents may be obtained online at: www.dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/mining/largemine/fortknox/

Hardcopies are also available for review at the following locations:

AK Dept. Environmental Conservation / Fairbanks (610 University Ave)

AK Dept. Environmental Conservation / Anchorage (555 Cordova St)

AK Dept. Natural Resources / Fairbanks (3700 Airport Way)

AK Dept. Natural Resources / Anchorage (550 W 7th Ave, Ste 1430)

WRITTEN COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY March 16, 2020 at 5:00pm AKST

Send written comments by mail, email or fax to:

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