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Brent Martellaro Division Mining, Land and Water Department of Natural Resources 3700 Airport Way Fairbanks, AK 99709-4699

Subject: 2016 Clearing and Grubbing for Filter and Seal Material

Dear Mr. Martellaro,

Fairbanks Gold Mining, Inc. (FGMI) is requesting a modification to our Plan of Operations for the Fort Knox gold Mine. This modification includes investigatory test pits for seal and filter material. There is a potential to clear and grub 150 acres. The disturbance of wetlands in this area has been avoided. Prior to any activities the wetland perimeter with will be flagged. The perimeter includes a ten foot buffer zone. The seal and filter material is for the construction of the TSF dam raise.

Please reference the attached figures.

All organic material will be stockpiled for future reclamation.

The wetlands identified in the area of this proposed disturbance have been avoided

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions at 907-490-6184 or email Jennifer.pyecha@kinross.com

Regards,

Jehnifer Pyecha

Senior Environmental Engineer

cc: Bartly Kleven, FGMI

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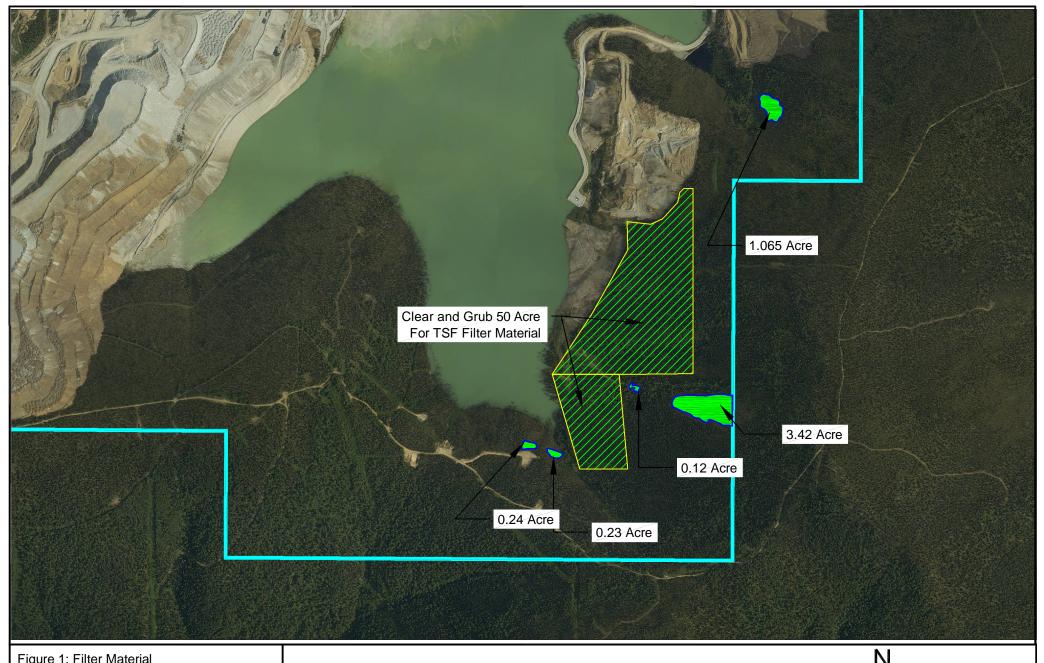
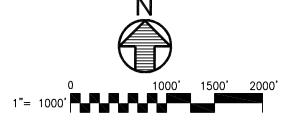


Figure 1: Filter Material

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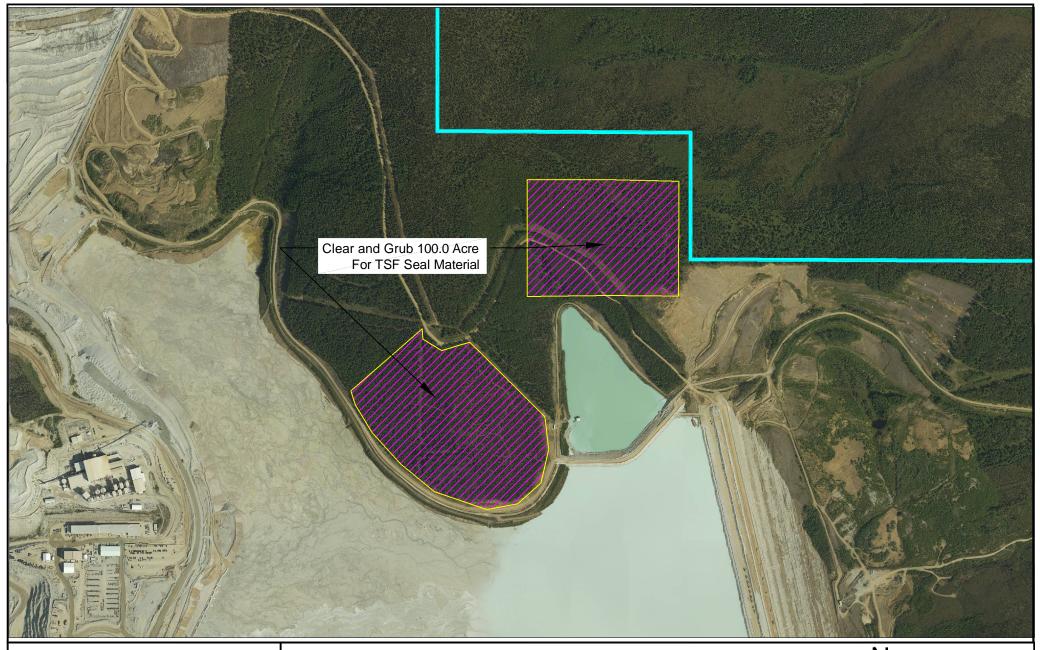


Figure 2: Seal Material

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