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Question RE submitting a NOI for prospecting in Teller County, CO

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Fri, Aug 25, 2017 at 12:35 PM

To: jschimmel@ualberta.ca

Hello Jeff,

This is Elliott Russell, the EPS assigned to mining and prospecting operations located in Teller County. Thank you for contacting the Division of Reclamation Mining, and Safety (DRMS) regarding your NOI questions.

It may be best to discuss your questions on the phone to help understand your proposed activities and determine the proper permitting process with the State, however, I have attempted to answer your questions below:

- NOI financial warranties are set at the standard \$2,000 per acre, but can also be higher based on specific reclamation plans. You may send in the standard per acre bond with your application, but it may be best to wait and allow DRMS to calculate and determine the specific bond amount during the review of the NOI. Pursuant to the MOU between the DRMS and USFS, DRMS will typically hold the financial warranty bond, but this will be discussed during the review period.
- The Board of County Commissioners for Teller County can be reached at P.O.Box 959, Cripple Creek, CO 80813. Information regarding the County's process could be found by contacting also the Teller County Planning Department at P.O. Box 1886, Woodland Park, CO 80866 and specifically you can call the County Planner, Dan Williams, at [719-686-5414](tel:719-686-5414).
- Evidence of other agencies being notified can be in the form of a signed copy of the notice being received by that agency OR proof of mailing in the form of a copy of the notice, certified mail receipt, and return receipt showing signature of delivery. Unfortunately email receipt will not suffice.

Further information:

- Please note, it is important to contact the USFS and gain the applicable permit/approval. Federal and State requirements/permitting processes are separate and not identical. All applicable USFS and DRMS requirements must be satisfied prior to the commencement of the operation. It is recommended to achieve USFS approval prior to submitting an application to DRMS because the review for a mining operation application cannot begin until you provide a copy of the approved Mine Plan of Operations or NOI acceptance from USFS while the review of an NOI cannot begin until the USFS acknowledges receipt of their NOI process.
- Please also note that certain activities which only require an NOI with USFS may exceed the scope of DRMS's NOIs and may need a mine reclamation permit. There is a 110(1) fillable application found on our website for operations less than 5 acres in size which may be applicable for your proposal.

Please contact me at [303-866-3567](tel:303-866-3567) extension [8132](tel:8132). I look forward to discussing your proposed activities in Teller County.

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From: **Jeff Schimmel** <jschimmel@ualberta.ca>

Date: Tue, Aug 22, 2017 at 4:59 PM

Subject: Question RE submitting a NOI for prospecting in Teller County, CO

To: DMG_web@state.co.us

Hi:

I am ready to submit my NOI application to conduct prospecting on one of my claims in Teller County, CO, but I have a few questions before going forward.

The NOI will use a "One Site Prospecting Financial Warranty". The standard financial warranty for a one site NOI under 1 acre is \$2000. Do I have to take out a financial warranty in that amount and send the bond certificate in with my application, OR,

do I send in my application, notify the USFS, and then wait for the USFS to assign a bond amount to me and then send the bond in at a later date (how does all that work)?

In addition to notifying the USFS, or BLM, what other government agencies need to be notified? Specifically, what Board(s) of the Teller County Commissioners need to be notified and how do I get the addresses?

Also, what constitutes evidence that I sent my application to the other government agencies - a copy of a post-office receipt, or can I send them electronic versions of my application and then send in a copy of the email receipt with my main application?

Any further information you can give me would be helpful - I want to make sure I do everything right.

Sincerely,
Jeff Schimel

Thanks for your time.

Best,
Jeff

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