

PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
ALASKA GOLD COMPANY
ROCK CREEK MINE

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to issue Air Quality Control (AQC) Minor Permit No. AQ0978MSS01 to the Alaska Gold Company for the operation of the Rock Creek Mine, as set out under AS 46.14 and 18 AAC 50. The minor permit will allow the construction and operation of a rock crusher at the Rock Creek Mine located 6.2 miles north of Nome, AK on the Glacier Creek Road. The Rock Creek Mine will be an open pit mine that operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

Location: Northing 7160356, Easting 473760, Zone 3

Applicant: Alaska Gold Company, PO Box 640, Nome, Alaska 99762-640

This project is classified under 18 AAC 502(b)(3) to construct, operate, or relocate a stationary source containing a rock crusher with a rated capacity of at least five tons per hour of untreated material. This project is also classified under 18 AAC 502(c)(1) to construct a new stationary source with a potential to emit of more than 15 tons per year of PM-10. The project complies with all applicable requirements of 18 AAC 50. ADEC is issuing this preliminary permit decision under AS 46.14 and 18 AAC 50.

Copies of ADEC's proposed permits and supporting documents are available for public review at:

ADEC Air Permits Program, 410 Willoughby Avenue, 2 nd floor, PO Box 111800, Juneau, AK 99811-1800;

ADEC Air Permits Program, 555 Cordova Street, 3 rd floor, Anchorage, AK 99501-2617; or the ADEC website: <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/ap/calendar.htm>.

For inquiries and copies of documents, contact Patrick Dunn at the Anchorage address listed above, or call (907) 269-7582.

Please direct written comments about the proposed permit to Patrick Dunn by **5:00 p.m. November 20, 2006**, at 555 Cordova Street 3rd floor, Air Permits, Anchorage, AK 99501-2617, by facsimile at (907) 269-7508 or by e-mail to Patrick_Dunn@dec.state.ak.us. Any person may request a public hearing. ADEC will hold a hearing if good cause exists.

The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Deborah Pock at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided

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