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LASSEN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

April 5, 2022

FILE NUMBER: IMP #2016-001

OWNER: US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land

Management (administered by)

OPERATOR: Interest Income Partners, contracting with Geofortis

Minerals, LLC

MINE NAME/ID Long Valley Pozzolan (#91-18-0037)
TYPE OF APPLICATION: Interim Management Plan (IMP) Extension
GENERAL LOCATION: 6 miles north of Hallelujah Junction

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER(S): 145-030-018-000

PROJECT SITE ZONING:
GENERAL PLAN:
ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:
Extensive Agriculture
Extensive Agriculture
Extensive Agriculture

APPEAL: Lassen County Code Section 9.60.120 Interim

management plans states that "If the planning

commission denies the revised interim management plan, the operator may appeal that action to the board of

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supervisors."

STAFF CONTACT: Cortney Flather, Natural Resources Technician

AUTHORITY FOR APPLICATION:

Lassen County Code, Section 9.60.120 Interim Management Plans (d) California Public Resources Code, Section 2770(h)(2) and 2727.1

REGULATING AGENCIES:

AgencyIdentified Permits / ApprovalsLassen County Planning CommissionIMP Extension approval

Department of Conservation, IMP Extension review

Division of Mine Reclamation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Proposed five-year extension of existing IMP #2016-001 (approved by Planning Commission on February 1, 2017 by resolution #2-01-17), to allow for the continuation of the temporary plan of mining operations, to be in effect during idle production periods when operations are reduced by more than 90 percent of maximum production. The existing approved IMP is considered a minor amendment of approved Reclamation Plan #95004. This is the first IMP extension and if approved, could be extended for an additional five-year period pursuant to Public Resources Code § 2770(h)(2)(A). The surface mining operation is located approximately 6 miles north of Hallelujah Junction off of Highway 395.

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE:

An IMP is required by the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA), and can be extended according to Public Resource Code § 2770(h) as follows:

2770 (h)(1) Within 90 days of a surface mining operation becoming idle, as defined in Section 2727.1, the operator shall submit to the lead agency for review and approval, an interim management plan. The review and approval of an interim management plan shall not be considered a project for purposes of Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000). The approved interim management plan shall be considered an amendment to the surface mining operation's approved reclamation plan, for the purposes of this chapter. The interim management plan shall provide measures the operator will implement to maintain the site in compliance with the chapter, including, but not limited to, all permit conditions.

- (2) The interim management plan may remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years, at which time the lead agency shall do one of the following:
 - (A) Renew the interim management plan for an additional period no to exceed five years, which may be renewed for one additional five-year renewal period at the expiration of the first five-year renewal period, if the lead agency finds that the surface mining operator has complied fully with the interim management plan.
 - (B) Require the surface mining operator to commence reclamation in accordance with its approved reclamation plan.

According to Public Resources Code § 2727.1, "idle" is defined as follows:

"Idle" means to curtail for a period of one year or more surface mining operations by more than 90 percent of the operation's previous maximum annual mineral production, with the intent to resume those surface mining operations at a future date.

LASSEN COUNTY CODE:

An existing IMP may be extended according to Lassen County Code § 9.60.120(d) as follows:

9.60.120 Interim management plans.

(d) The interim management plan may remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years, at which time the planning commission may renew the plan for another period not to exceed five years or require the surface mining operator to commence reclamation in accordance with its approved reclamation plan. (Ord. 509 § 2, 1992).

GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING:

The existing mine site is zoned A-1 (General Agriculture) and is designated Extensive Agriculture by the Lassen County General Plan 2000.

DISCUSSION:

The Long Valley Pozzolan Mine is located on land administered by the BLM and therefore, a Use Permit from Lassen County is not required. As the Lead Agency for SMARA, and as stated in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Conservation, Forest Service, and BLM, Lassen County has the responsibility to regulate surface mining and reclamation. Therefore, a Reclamation Plan is required as per SMARA.

On March 8, 1995, the Lassen County Planning Commission approved Reclamation Plan #95004. On February 1, 2017, the Lassen County Planning Commission approved IMP #2016-001 which allowed for a temporary reduction of mining operations during idle production periods.

On March 7, 2022, Lassen County Department of Planning and Building Services, acting as the Lead Agency for the implementation of SMARA, received a request from the mine operator for an additional five-year extension of the aforementioned approved IMP#2016-001.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:

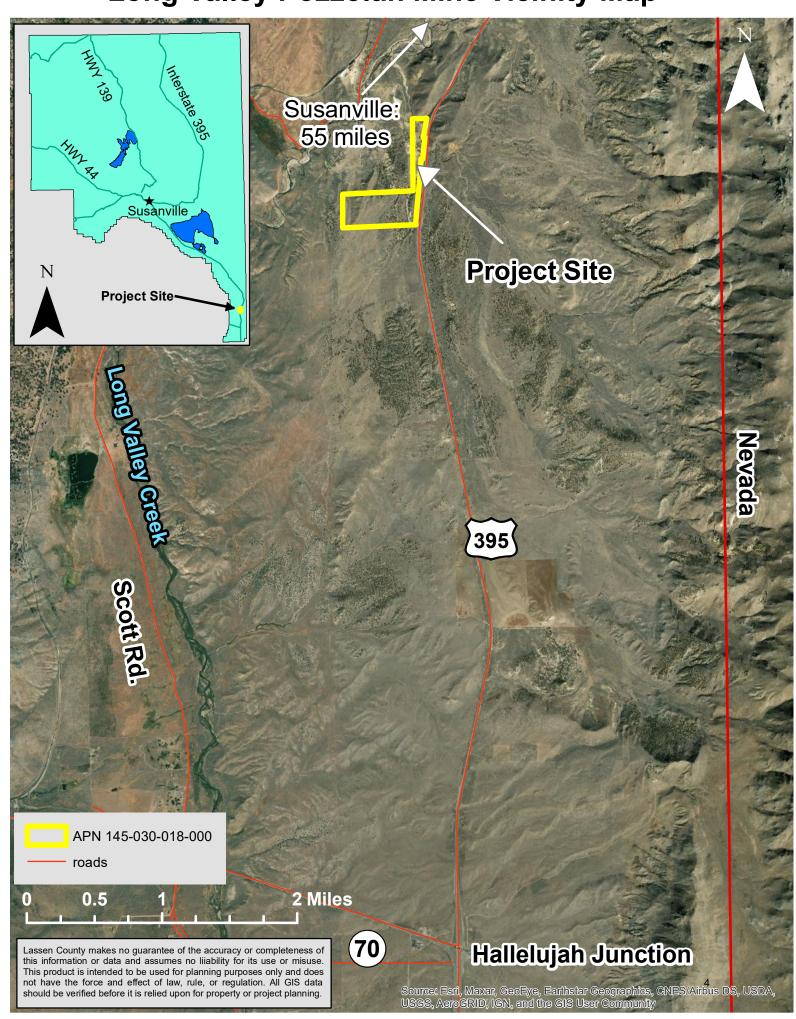
Interim Management Plans, and therefore extensions to IMPs, are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as they are not considered a "project" as defined by Section 15378 of the Guidelines and SMARA Section 2770(h)(1).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

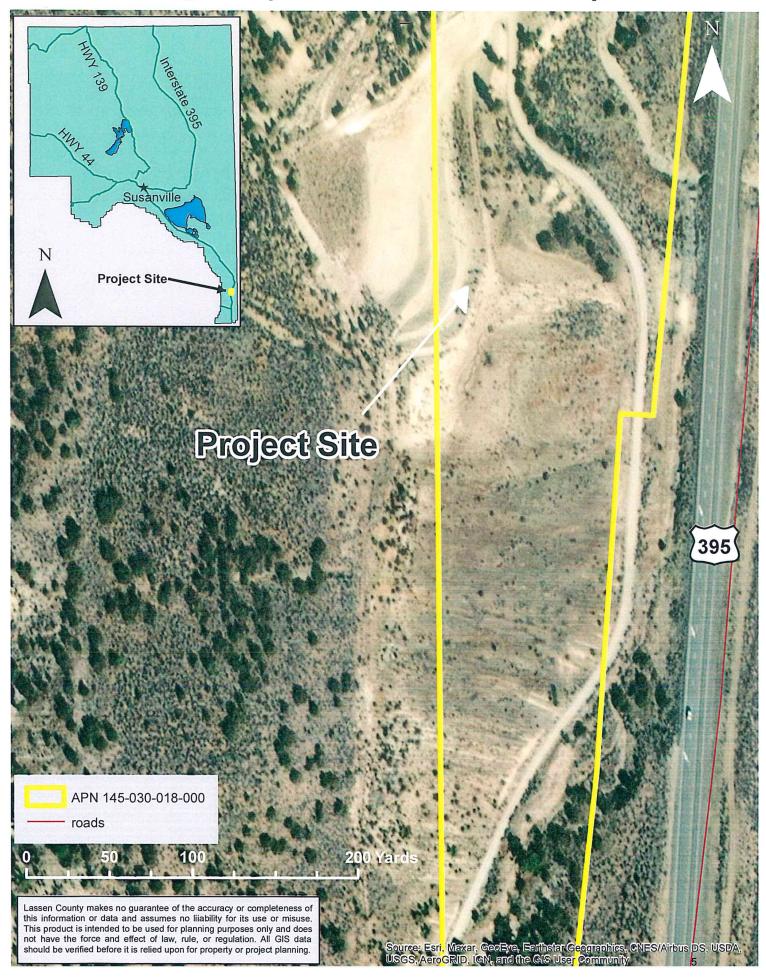
Staff has reviewed the enclosed request to extend approved IMP #2016-001 and finds that it meets Lassen County Code Section 9.60.120 and Public Resources Code Section 2770(h), and that the surface mining operator has complied fully with the IMP to date.

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt a resolution approving the extension to IMP #2016-001.

Long Valley Pozzolan Mine Vicinity Map



Long Valley Pozzolan Mine Site Map



RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION OF THE LASSEN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVING EXTENSION TO INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN #2016-001, INTEREST INCOME PARTNERS, CONTRACTING WITH GEOFORTIS MINERALS, LLC FOR APPROVED RECLAMATION PLAN #95004.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of Lassen County, after due notice has considered on April 5, 2022 the extension to approved Interim Management Plan #2016-001, Interest Income Partners, contacting with Geofortis Minerals, LLC, to allow for a continued temporary plan of mining operations to be in effect during idle production periods. The proposed extension to the Interim Management Plan is to be in effect for no more than five years and must address the requirements of Public Resources Code 2770(h). The existing mining operation is located approximately 6 miles north of Hallelujah Junction off of Highway 395. A.P.N.: 145-030-018-000; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of Lassen County is responsible for the consideration and approval of the proposed extension to approved Interim Management Plan #2016-001 (which was a minor amendment to the approved Reclamation Plan #95004); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of Lassen County has considered at a public hearing duly noticed and held on February 1, 2017, Interim Management Plan #2016-001, Interest Income Partners, contacting with Geofortis Minerals, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Review Officer of the County of Lassen has determined that Interim Management Plans, and therefore extensions to Interim Management Plans, are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as they are not considered a "project" as defined by Section 15378 of the Guidelines and SMARA Section 2770(h)(l).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
- 2. The Lassen County Planning Commission finds as follows:
 - a. The proposed extension to Interim Management Plan #2016-001 is consistent with Lassen County Code, Section 9.60.120 Interim Management Plan (h).
 - b. The proposed extension to Interim Management Plan #2016-001 will be in effect for no more than five years from the date of its approval and will address the requirements of Public Resources Code, Section 2770(h).

- c. The proposed extension to Interim Management Plan #2016-001 shall be considered void should Reclamation Plan #95004 expire, regardless of the status of the approved Interim Management Plan.
- 3. The Planning Commission hereby concurs with the Environmental Review Officer that the Interim Management Plan, and therefore the extension to that Interim Management Plan, is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not considered a "project" as defined by Section 15378 of the Guidelines and SMARA Section 2770(h)(1).
- 4. The Planning Commission hereby approves the extension to Interim Management Plan #2016-001, Interest Income Partners, contracting with Geofortis Minerals, LLC.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the County of Lassen, State of California, on the 5th day of April, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	Chairman
	Lassen County Planning Commission
ATTEST:	
Maurice L. Anderson, Secretary	

Lassen County Planning Commission



Cortney Flather
Lassen County
Planning and Building Services
707 Nevada Street, Suite 5
Susanville, CA 96130

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March 7, 2022

LASSEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

Interim Management Plan #2016-001 Extension for Mine 91-18-0037

Dear Cortney:

The County approved an Interim Management Plan in February 2017, which has a 5 year term with potential for two 5-year extensions upon request by the applicant.

Based on our email correspondence last fall, I understand that we need to request the extension by letter. I thought I had done so late last year, but it appears that I have not. Please consider this letter to be our request for a 5-year extension on behalf of Interest Income Partners.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

David McMurtry

925-348-3535

dmcmurtry@geofortis.com

cc: Chris Tellis, Interest Income Partners



Nancy McAllister Lassen County Planning and Building Services 707 Nevada Street, Suite 5 Susanville, CA 96130

October 26, 2016

Subject: Long Valley Pozzolan mine Interim Management Plan

Dear Nancy:

Please find enclosed the Application for a Minor Amendment to the Surface Mining Use Permit and the Interim Management Plan for the long Valley Pozzolan Mine, 91-18-0037, as we have discussed. Also enclosed is a check for the processing fee for \$397.00.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any more information.

David McMurtry 925-348-3535

dmcmurtry@geofortis.com

Enclosure

LASSEN COUNTY APPLICATION FOR MINOR AMENDMENT TO SURFACE MINING USE PERMIT, RECLAMATION PLAN AND/OR FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

1.	APPLICANT INFORMATION:	
	Name <u>Interest Income Partners</u>	
	Address 10D Yellow Ferry Harbor, Sausalito, CA 94965	
	Contact Telephone Number 415-902-7235 (Chris Tellis, Interest Inco	me Partners)
	Signature: Date:	
2.	PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION: (if different than applicant, owner, acknowledging and authorizing this application must appear be	
	Name <u>US Department of the Interior</u>	
	Address 5665 Morgan Mill Rd, Carson City, NV 89701	
	Contact Telephone Number 775-885-6149	
	Signature: Date:	
3.	OWNER OF MINERAL RIGHTS INFORMATION: (If different than record owner of mineral rights must sign below)	n the property owner, the
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	Signature: Date:	
4.	MINE OPERATOR INFORMATION:	
	Name _Geofortis Minerals, LLC	
	Address 1024 Country Club Dr., Moraga, CA 94556	
	Contact Telephone Number <u>925-348-3535 (David McMurtry)</u>	
5.	ASSESSORS PARCEL NUMBER(S) (Contact the County Assessor's and Maps. Phone (530) 251-8241)	s office for Parcel Numbers
	145-030-18	
6.	LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (attach copy of deed):	

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LASSEN COUNTY MINOR AMENDMENT APPLICATION PAGE 2 OF 3 Section 11 , Township 23N North, Range 17E East, MDB&M 7. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE APPROVED MINING OPERATIONS (Describe in detail the proposed changes to the mining operation including changes in acreage to be disturbed, new equipment, changes in processing, etc. attach additional pages as needed. Note: Revised site plans, cross sections, etc. must be submitted if the proposed amendment(s) result in changes to the internal layout or footprint of the mine): This amendment is to recognize an Interim Management Plan. No changes in the approved mine operations are proposed with this application. The mine became idle during the recession due to prior operator's (Western Pozzolan) bankruptcy. Interest Income Partners (IIP) acquired the assets of Western Pozzolan, including mining claims, permits, leases, etc., in the bankruptcy. Cal Minerals, LLC entered a Use. Royalty and Purchase Agreement dated February 4, 2015 with IIP, which granted rights to mine the site and responsibility for regulatory compliance to Cal Minerals, Inc. In January 2016, Cal Minerals Inc. reorganized and assigned this contract to its affiliate, Geofortis Minerals, LLC. Geofortis intends to resume working the mine as soon as our processing facility is constructed in Reno. In accordance with Section 2770 of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975, Geofortis submitted an Interim Management Plan in June 2015 to Lassen County and the Office of Mine Reclamation. The plan was updated in October 2016. A copy of the plan is attached. 8. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE APPROVED RECLAMATION PLAN (Describe in detail all changes to the reclamation plan resulting from, or in addition to, the changes proposed in the mining operation, including removal of new equipment, reclamation treatments, monitoring, etc. Attach additional pages and maps as needed): No changes have been proposed.

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RECLAMATION COST ESTIMATE Prepare and attach a revised Reclamation Cost Estimate addressing all changes proposed:
 A copy of the approved 2016 Cost Estimate is attached.

820.03Minor Amendment App Form 4-2-04

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INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN FORM THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD



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State of California DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN FORM		CA MINE ID# 91-18-0037		
		MÎNE NAME	Long V	alley Pozzolan
Company Operating Geofortis Minerals, LLC	Site Contact David Mo	Murtry		Telephone 925-348-3535
Street Address/P.O. Box No. 1024 Country Club Dr	City Moraga			State/ZIP Code/County CA 94556
Designated Agent's Name (Individual must reside in CA) David McMurtry , for Geofortis Minerals LLC		ress dmore Way		
City Benicia	ZIP Code 94510		Telepho 92	ne 25-318-3535
Owner of Mining Operation Interest Income Partners			Telepho 415	-902-7235
Mailing Address 10D Yellow Ferry Harbor			- T	
City Sausalito State/ZIP Cod CA 9496			Country (If other than U.S.A.)	
4. Landowner US Department of the Interior BLM			Assessor's	
Mailing Address 5665 Morgan Mill Rd, CArson City, NV 897	701		Telephone	
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5. Number or description of reclamation plan amended by IMP Reclamation Plan #95004 approved by Las	ssen Count	ty Planning Cor	nmission	
Date Approved March 8, 1995	C	Copy Attached? ☑ Yes ☐ No		No
6.a. Date Mine Became Idle unknown date in 2014		b. Date Mining Expected to Resume 2017 - TBD		
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INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN FORM THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

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		ng the site in a safe and stable condition the appropriate information is attached		ving elements must be attached to this	form. Check the following	
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d.	⊠ F	Public Safety				
e.	X N	Monitoring and Maintenance Plan				
f.	X 5	Site Photos				
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	Check the appropriate boxes and attach a map that clearly depicts the relevant information at a legible scale.					
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	⊠ Sedimentation Pond					
☐ Office, Shop, Scalehouse, or Other Structures None						
	☐ Utilities None					
	☑ Site Drainage Internally contained					
		☐ Cross Sections				
		☐ Additional Information				
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INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN FORM THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

10. Attachments	
☐ Approved reclamation plan (Attach only if there are proposed changes)	
☐ Financial Assurance Cost Estimate	
Approved Financial Assurance and Proof of Approval	
☐ Storm Water Pollution and Prevention Plan (Attach only if the SWPPP will be used in lieu of se	parate erosion control plan)
☐ Permit	l
☐ CEQA Mitigation and Monitoring Plan (Attach if mitigation measures were imposed in approvin	g the reclamation plan)
Proposed by	Date 10/05/16
Prepared by David McMurtry, Geofortis Minerals LLC	16/66/16
Submitted by David McMurtry, Geofortis, Minerals LLC	Date 10/05/16
Approved by David McMurtry, Geofortis, LLC	Date 10/05/16
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Interim Management Plan Long Valley Pozzolan Mine 91-18-0037 Revised 9/26/16

Introduction

This plan describes interim measures for the Long Valley Pozzolan Mine located near Highway 395 in Lassen County, APN 145-030-18. It is a 5 acre surface mine, permitted by Lassen County in 1995.

The mine was previously operated by Western Pozzolan, Inc., who filed for bankruptcy during the Great Recession, and was acquired by Interest Income Partners, LLC (IIP). During the year 2014, no production occurred from the mine as IIP sought a new operator/purchaser. In February 2015, IIP entered an agreement with Cal Minerals, Inc. to operate and acquire the mine claims and all IIP's rights and interest in the mine. Cal Minerals submitted an application for a Mineral Sales Contract to BLM on February 13, 2015 to allow such operations pursuant to the existing SMARA plan. In June 2015, Cal Minerals filed its Interim Management plan to cover 2014 and 2015, with the intention of resuming active status during 2015. However, BLM has not issued the mineral sales contract due to a dispute with another private party regarding claims on this property.

The maximum quantity of material processed in the prior five years (2009 – 2013), according to annual reports filed by previous operators, was 3,157 tons in 2010. Therefore, in order to go back to "active" status, at least 316 tons would have to be processed in a year.

In January, 2016 Cal Minerals reorganized and the operator is now Geofortis Minerals, LLC.

This IMP revision is being submitted by Geofortis Minerals on behalf of IIP for the 2016 calendar year.

Site Description and Description of Surface Mining Activities

The site is 5 acres and used to mine a natural pozzolan known as Lassenite, which is a deposit of volcanic ash combined with diatoms. The area is rural with no nearby residences or buildings. It is approximately 200 feet from Hwy 395, but is not readily visible from the highway due to topography.

Surface mining activities will be consistent with the existing approved mining and reclamation plan. Upon issuance of all necessary approvals by BLM and the County, a contract mining company will be brought to the site to mine, crush and stockpile approximately 50,000 cy of pozzolan material. The material will be stockpiled on the existing floor of the pit during contract mining operations that are expected to last approximately 4 weeks. Mobile crushing and stacking equipment will be powered by a contractor permitted under the California Portable Equipment Reporting Program for diesel equipment. Equipment to be used on site may include:

- Loader(s)
- Skid Steer
- Haul Trucks
- Dozer

- Excavator
- Water Truck / Pull for Dust Control
- Service equipment as necessary (crane, service /fuel / lube truck, pick ups & employee vehicles)
- Traditional crushing and screening equipment for production of aggregates
 - Screens
 - Conveyors & Stacking Conveyors
 - o Dozer Trap Feeder
 - o Crushers
 - Portable Generator for Power

Material will be hauled from the site using loaders and trucks, typically up to five days per week during daylight hours to off-site processing and shipping facilities.

In the interim period before resuming operations, the site is vacant with no improvements. There are no hazardous conditions or equipment on site.

Erosion Control Plan

The mine site is subject to a General Industrial Storm Water Permit regulated by the State Water Resources Control Board. The SWDID is 6A18I024552. The site's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) was submitted in June, 2015 and also covers other areas that are not subject to the SMARA permit or this IMP.

Erosion is controlled at the mine pit by benches on the cut face and berms and a sedimentation basin that prevents runoff. These features have been in place for years and are performing well, as evidenced in monthly SWPPP reports and annual mine inspections by the County staff.

Revegetation Plan

Revegetation will occur as necessary as mining reaches final contours according to the approved reclamation plan. Since it is Geofortis Minerals' intent to resume mining of the active high wall and other areas of the mine, it is not likely that revegetation will be required under this IMP.

Public Safety

Public access will be restricted during operations. There are no significant safety hazards in its inactive status that require restrictions.

Monitoring and Maintenance Plan

The SWPPP contains monitoring provisions for storm water runoff from the mine site toward Long Valley Creek. Visual observations are conducted and recorded monthly.

Site Photos

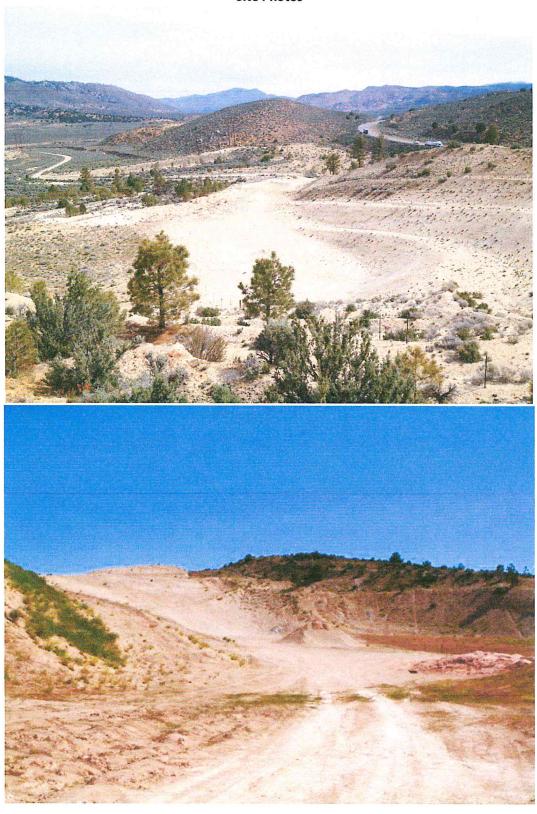
Please see attached Photos

Map

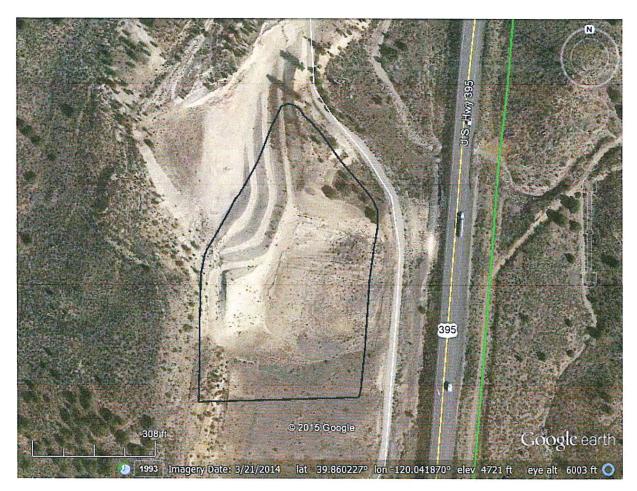
Please see attached:

- Aerial photograph with mine boundary
- Existing topography of mine pit
- Mining plan for the pit at completion

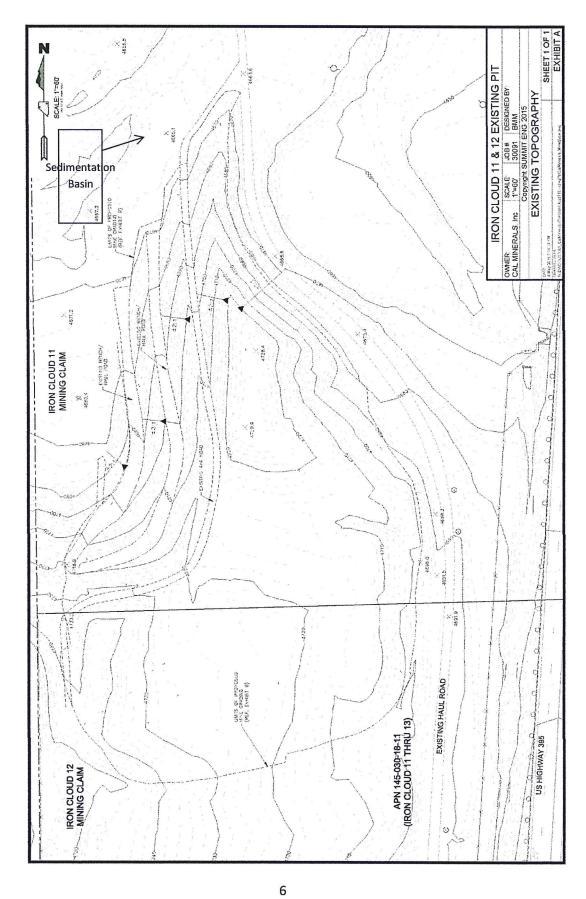
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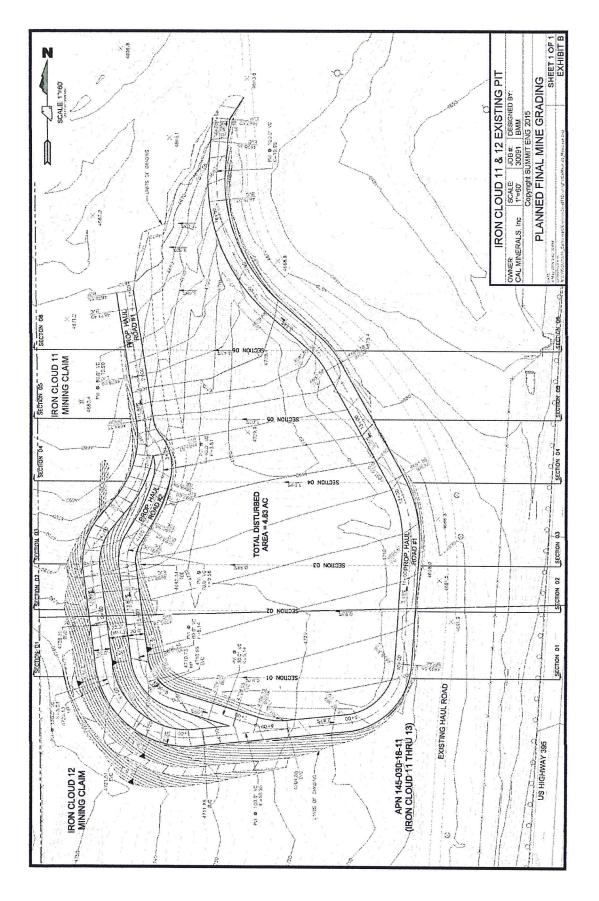


Maps



Existing 5 Acre Permit Area





RESOLUTION NO. 2-01-17

RESOLUTION OF THE LASSEN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVING INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN #2016-001, INTEREST INCOME PARTNERS, FOR APPROVED RECLAMATION PLAN #95004.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of Lassen County, after due notice and a public hearing held on February 1, 2017, has considered Interim Management Plan (IMP) #2016-001, as proposed by Interest Income Partners, to allow for a temporary reduction of mining operations during idle production periods; and

WHEREAS; the Planning Commission of Lassen County is responsible for the consideration and approval of the proposed IMP, which is considered a minor amendment to approved Reclamation Plan #95004 and must address the requirements of Lassen County Code, Section 9.60.120 and Public Resources Code (PRC), Section 2770(h); and

WHEREAS; an approved IMP may remain in effect for a five-year period, with two five-year extensions available at the request of the applicant; and

WHEREAS; the Environmental Review Officer for Lassen County, has determined that the proposed IMP is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), because IMP's are not considered a "project" as defined by Division 13, Section 21065 of the CEQA guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
- 2. The Lassen County Planning Commission finds as follows:
 - a. The proposed project is consistent with Lassen County Code, Section 9.60.120 and PRC, Section 2770(h) and 2727.1.
 - b. The proposed Interim Management Plan #2016-001 will be in effect for a period of five years and will address the requirements of PRC, Section 2770(h) for the duration of the idle period.
- 3. The Planning Commission hereby concurs with the Environmental Review Officer that the proposed IMP is not subject to CEQA, because it is not considered a "project" as defined by Division 13, Section 21065 of the guidelines.
- 4. The Planning Commission hereby approves IMP #2016-001, as proposed by Interest Income Partners, with the attached conditions (Exhibit A).

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the County of Lassen, State of California, on the 1st day of February, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Solomon, Herman, Meyer and Purdy

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

Commissioner Mudrich

Chairman

Lassen County Planning Commission

ATTEST:

Maurice L. Anderson, Secretary

Lassen County Planning Commission

For: Maurice Anderson

EXHIBIT A CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLAN #2016-001, INTEREST INCOME PARTNERS

- 1. "DANGER" signs shall be posted at the site entrance and around the perimeter of the site as necessary.
- 2. The site shall be monitored by the operator annually, at minimum, for signs of erosion, presence of noxious weeds, security and safety of the site, and any/all other condition issues identified by the operator or lead agency.