

**THE STATE OF NEVADA****PERMIT TO CHANGE POINT OF DIVERSION,  
MANNER OF USE AND PLACE OF USE OF THE  
PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA  
HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED**

**Name of applicant:** SANTA FE PACIFIC GOLD CORPORATION  
**Source:** UNDERGROUND  
**Basin:** KELLY CREEK AREA  
**Manner of Use:** MINING AND MILLING  
**Period of Use:** January 1st to December 31st  
**Priority Date:** 09/03/1992

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**APPROVAL OF STATE ENGINEER**

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing application, and do hereby grant the same, subject to the following limitations and conditions:

This permit to change the point of diversion, place and manner of use of a portion of the waters of an underground source as heretofore granted under Permit 58042 is issued subject to the terms and conditions imposed in said Permit 58042 and with the understanding that no other rights on the source will be affected by the change proposed herein. A totalizing meter must be installed and maintained in the discharge pipeline near the point of diversion and accurate measurements must be kept of water placed to beneficial use. The totalizing meter must be installed before any use of the water begins or before the Proof of Completion of Work is filed. This source is located within an area designated by the State Engineer pursuant to NRS 534.030.

This temporary permit does not extend the permittee the right of ingress and egress on public, private or corporate lands.

The issuance of this temporary permit does not waive the requirements that the permit holder obtain other permits from State, Federal and local agencies.

This temporary permit is issued as a preferred use as provided in NRS 534.120. This permit will allow the permittee to dewater the mine area. It is understood that any water produced as a result of this dewatering operation shall be used first by the permittee for mining, milling and related uses.

Monthly records shall be kept of the following and reported within 15 days after the end of each quarter:

- A. The total volume of water pumped from each diversion in acre-feet.
- B. The maximum flow rate from each diversion in cubic feet per second.
- C. The pumping water level from each well in feet above mean sea level.
- D. The volume of water consumptively used for mining and milling in acre-feet.
- E. The amount of water diverted to the infiltration or injection sites, if any, in acre-feet.
- F. The amount of water lost through evaporation or other system losses project wide.

The State Engineer may require additional monitoring should conditions warrant such modification.

The State Engineer retains the right to regulate the appropriation and use of the public waters herein granted at any and all times.

This temporary permit is issued under the preferred use provisions of NRS Chapter 534. The manner of use of water under this permit is by nature of its activity a temporary use and any application to change the manner of use granted under this permit will be subject to additional determination and evaluation with respect to the permanent effects on existing rights and the resource within the ground water basin.

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The total combined duty of water for consumptive purposes under Permits 49633, 49634, 50853, 50854, 52046, 52048 through 52051, inclusive, 58042 through 58045, inclusive, 60048 through 60057, inclusive, 61132 through 61138, inclusive, 61140 through 61144, inclusive, 61956 through 61962, inclusive, Temporary Permits 75678T and 75728T through 75760T, inclusive, shall not exceed 10,125 acre-feet annually. The total combined diversion rate of the above referenced permits shall not exceed 30.75 cubic feet per second on an instantaneous basis.

This temporary permit is issued subject to, and also incorporates the terms and conditions in the State Engineer's Order No. 1087, Order Adopting Rules For Well Spacing and Modification of Regulations For Water Well and Related Drilling (January, 1990) In The Heretofore Designated Kelly Creek Ground Water Basin (4-66), dated December 30, 1993, on file in the office of the State Engineer.

This temporary permit is issued pursuant to the provisions of NRS 533.345 Section 2 and accounts for pumpage in calendar year 2006, and therefore expires one day following the date of approval at which time all rights herein granted shall revert to the rights being changed by this temporary permit.

The point of diversion and place of use are as described on the submitted application to support this permit.

The amount of water to be appropriated shall be limited to the amount which can be applied to beneficial use, **and not to exceed 0.277 cubic feet per second or 200.0 acre-feet annually.**

Work must be prosecuted with reasonable diligence and proof of completion of work shall be filed on or before:

N/A

Water must be placed to beneficial use and proof of the application of water to beneficial use shall be filed on or before:

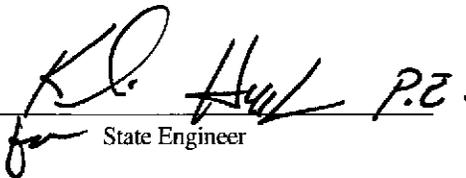
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Map in support of proof of beneficial use shall be filed on or before:

N/A

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, TRACY TAYLOR, P.E.,

State Engineer of Nevada, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office, this 30th day of April, A.D. 2008

  
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State Engineer

**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO CHANGE POINT OF DIVERSION, MANNER OF USE AND PLACE OF USE OF THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED**

**THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date of filing in State Engineer's Office MAY 17 2007

Returned to applicant for correction.....

Corrected application filed..... Map filed MAY 17 2007 under 75728-T

The applicant Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corporation  
Environmental Department, PO Box 669 of Carlin  
Street and No. or P.O. Box No. City or Town

Nevada, 89822, hereby make.s. application for permission to change the  
State and Zip Code No.

Point of Diversion and Manner of Use and Place of Use of a portion

of water heretofore appropriated under Permit 58042  
Identify existing right by Permit, Certificate, Proof or Claim Nos. If Decreed, give title of Decree

and identify right in Decree.

1. The source of water is Underground  
Name of stream, lake, underground, spring or other sources.
2. The amount of water to be changed 0.277 cfs  
Second feet, acre-feet. One second foot equals 448.83 gallons per minute.
3. The water to be used for Mining, milling, domestic, and dewatering  
Irrigation, power, mining, commercial, etc. If for stock state number and kind of animals. Must limit to one major use.
4. The water heretofore used for Dewatering  
If for stock state number and kind of animals.
5. The water is to be diverted at the following point Twin Creeks Mine - DW 50

*within the SW¼ SW¼, Section 29, T39 N, R43 E, M.D.M., at a point from which the W¼ corner of Section 19, T39N, R43E bears N 38°00'41" W a distance of 9967 feet.*

Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey and by course and distance to a section corner. If on unsurveyed land, it should be stated.

6. The existing point of diversion is located within Twin Creeks Mine - Order 1087 SE19  
If point of diversion is not changed, do not answer.

*within the NE¼ SE¼, Section 19, T39 N, R43 E, M.D.M., at a point from which the NE corner of said section 19 bears N 19°08' E a distance of 4075 feet.*

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7. Proposed place of use.....  
Describe by legal subdivisions. If for irrigation state number of acres to be irrigated.  
 All Section 5, T38N, R43E; all Sections 24, 25, and 36, T39N, R42E; all Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 29, 30, 31, and 32, T39N, R43E; and SE¼ SE¼, Section 31, and S½, Section 32, T40N, R43E, M.D.M.

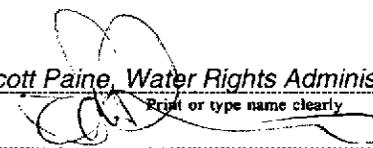
8. Existing place of use.....  
Describe by legal subdivisions. If permit is for irrigation, state number of acres irrigated.  
 All Sections 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, T39N, R43E, M.D.M.

- If changing place of use and/or manner of use of irrigation permit, describe acreage to be removed from irrigation.
9. Use will be from January 1 to December 31 of each year.  
Month and Day Month and Day
10. Use permitted from January 1 to December 31 of each year.  
Month and Day Month and Day
11. Description of proposed works. (Under the provisions of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.) Drilled, cased well with motor and pump, totalizing flow meter, and pipeline to the place of use.  
State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e. diversion structure, ditches, pipes and flumes or drilled well, pump and motor, etc.
12. Estimated cost of works. \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars)
13. Estimated time required to construct works. Completed; Drilled, cased well with motor and pump, totalizing flow meter, and pipeline to the place of use.  
If well completed, describe well.
14. Estimated time required to complete the application of water to beneficial use. 9 years
15. Remarks: For use other than irrigation or stock watering, state number and type of units to be served or annual consumptive use.

*This application is submitted for projected water production from a dewatering well outside the well-spacing "blocks", to cover 200 acre-feet of water anticipated for 2007.*

775-778-4318  
Phone No.

May 15, 2007

By Scott Paine, Water Rights Administrator  
Print or type name clearly  
  
Signature, applicant or agent

WATER ENGINEERS OFFICE Environmental Department, PO Box 669  
Street and No., or P.O. Box No.  
Carlin, Nevada 89822  
City, State, Zip Code No.

**APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR AGENT**

**\$100 FILING FEE MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION**