



ENVIRONMENTAL

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: ENVIRONMENTAL
Period of Use: January 1st to December 31st
Priority Date: 08/08/1996

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 environmental permit provides for multiple extraction wells within the same quarter-quarter. Well logs shall be filed per NRS 534.170 for any well drilled or plugged under this permit.

The total combined duty of water under Permits 62364E, 78104E, 78105E and 78106E shall not exceed 217.19 acre-feet annually.

This environmental permit to change the point of diversion of a portion of the waters of an underground source as heretofore granted under Environmental Permit 62364-E is issued subject to the terms and conditions imposed in said Environmental Permit and with the understanding that no other rights on the source will be affected by the change proposed herein. It is understood that the amount of water herein granted is only a temporary allowance for pollution control as mandated by orders issued by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and subsequent correspondence with said agency. A totalizing meter must be installed and maintained in the discharge pipeline near the point of diversion. It is also understood that this right must allow for a reasonable lowering of the static water level of permittee's well due to other groundwater development in the area. The State retains the right to regulate the use of water granted herein at any and all times.

This environmental permit is issued subject to existing rights on the source.

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

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

Monthly records shall be kept of the amount of water pumped from this well and the records submitted to the State Engineer on a quarterly basis within 15 days after the end of each calendar quarter.

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This permit for environmental purposes is issued pursuant to the provisions within NRS 533.345 Section 2, NRS 533.437, NRS 533.4375 and NRS 533.4377.

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 0.025 cubic feet per second or 18.10 acre-feet annually.**

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

May 28, 2010

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

N/A

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 28th day of May, A.D. 2009

K.O. Hull P.E.

for State Engineer

Completion of work filed _____

Proof of beneficial use filed _____

Cultural map filed _____

Certificate No. _____ Issued _____

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THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date of filing in State Engineer's Office MAR 03 2009

Returned to applicant for correction _____

Corrected application filed _____ Map filed MAR 03 2009 under **78101T**

The applicant Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corporation

Environmental Department, P.O. Box 669 of Carlin
Street Address or P.O. Box City or Town

Nevada, 89822, hereby make(s) application for permission to change the
State and Zip Code

- Point of diversion Place of use Manner of use of a portion

of water heretofore appropriated under (Identify existing right by Permit, Certificate, Proof or Claim Nos. If Decreed, give title of Decree and identify right in Decree.)
Permit 62364E

1. The source of water is Underground
Name of stream, lake, underground, spring or other sources.

2. The amount of water to be changed 0.025 cfs
Second feet, acre-feet. One second foot equals 448.83 gallons per minute.

3. The water to be used for Environmental
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 Environmental
If for stock, state number and kind of animals.

5. The water is to be diverted at the following point (Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey and by course and distance to a found section corner. If on unsurveyed land, it should be stated.)
Twin Creeks Mine - MW-29-6 within the SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 29, T39 N, R43 E, M.D.M., at a point from which the SE corner of said Section 29 bears S 64° 54' 41" E a distance of 2661 feet.

6. The existing point of diversion is located within (If point of diversion is not changed, do not answer.)
NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 29, T.39 N., R.43 E., M.D.B. & M., or at a point from which the south 1/4 corner of Section 19, T.39 N., R.43 E., M.D.B. & M., bearing 1) N.61° 22' 45" W. a distance of 7730.94 feet (M/O . 29-2S) and 2) N.61° 18' 47" W. a distance of 7733.28 feet (M/O 29-2).

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7. Proposed place of use (Describe by legal subdivisions. If for irrigation, state number of acres to be irrigated.)

Same as Existing All Sections 29 and 31, T39 N, R43 E, M.D.M.

8. Existing place of use (Describe by legal subdivisions. If changing place of use and/or manner of use of irrigation permit, describe acreage to be removed from irrigation.)

All Sections 29 and 31, T39 N, R43 E, M.D.M.

9. Proposed use will be from January 1 to December 31 of each year.
Month and Day Month and Day

10. Existing use permitted from January 1 to December 31 of each year.
Month and Day Month and Day

11. Description of proposed works. (Under the provision of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.) (State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e. diversion structure, ditches, pipes and flumes or drilled well, pump and motor, etc.)
Drilled, cased well with motor and pump, totalizing flow meter, and pipeline to the place of use.

12. Estimated cost of works \$1,000

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 10 years

15. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project and its water usage (use attachments if necessary):
(Failure to provide a detailed description may cause a delay in processing.)

Groundwater remediation ordered by NDEP under WPC permit NEV89035. (see attached).

16. Miscellaneous remarks:

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March 2, 2009

By Bryce Vorwaller
Print or type name clearly

Bryce Vorwaller
Signature, applicant or agent

Newmont Mining Corporation
Company Name

Environmental Department, PO Box 669
Street Address or P.O. Box

Carlin, Nevada, 89822
City, State, Zip Code

STATE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
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**APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED
BY THE APPLICANT OR AGENT**

\$150 FILING FEE AND SUPPORTING MAP MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION

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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138

Carson City, Nevada 89706

March 12, 2002

Diana Lefler
Division of Water Resources
Department of Conservation & Natural Resources
123 W. Nye Lane
Carson City, NV 89706-0818

**Re: Twin Creeks Mine, South, Water Pollution Control (WPC) Permit NEV89035;
authorization to continue management of groundwater by Twin Creeks Mine.**

Dear Ms. Lefler:

The Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation (BMRR), Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), has issued Water Pollution Control (WPC) permit NEV89035 to Twin Creeks Mine (TCM), Newmont Mining Corporation. The permit requires TCM to provide the BMRR with quarterly monitoring reports, which include analyses for specific monitoring wells located in and around the vicinity of the Pinion Tailings Impoundment (PTI).

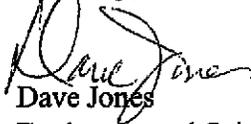
A work plan was submitted by TCM regarding proposed monitor well pumping to continue evaluating extent and status of groundwater in the vicinity of the Pinion Tailings Impoundment PTI. The BMRR approved the work-plan which requires TCM to investigate and mitigate "cyanide impacted groundwater" which has been previously detected down-gradient of the PTI. Applicable groundwater pumping from wells specified in the work plan and WPC permit referenced above, which has occurred over several years to-date, appears to have been beneficial in the continued assessment and mitigation efforts related to the PTI source.

This letter is to support TCM's application to the Nevada Division of Water Resources relevant to continued environmental water rights usage. The pumping of these specified wells, as approved by the BMRR, is essential to the success of the work plan submitted by TCM. This approval from the BMRR shall remain in effect for as long as the applicable permits are in force, or until environmental mitigation is demonstrated to be complete. However, should the status or designations of existing wells change, or should additional wells be constructed for the purpose of continued groundwater mitigation, please contact and update staff at the BMRR as well as at

the DWR as appropriate.

Should you have any specific questions or comments please call me, or Bob Carlson, at (775) 687-4670, exts.3203 or 3130, respectively.

Sincerely,



Dave Jones

Environmental Scientist - Geologist
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

DAJ/daj

cc: David Gaskin, Chief, BMR&R
Mike Leigh, Supervisor, BMR&R
Bob Carlson, Staff Engineer-Regulation Branch, BMR&R
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Dana Sue Kimball, Twin Creeks Mine South

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