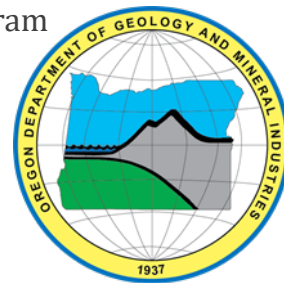


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DOGAMI Permit Fee Changes – Effective January 1, 2021

Beginning January 1, 2021, DOGAMI increased Application and Renewal Fees for several programs. This included applications for Aggregate, Exploration, Oil & Gas, and Geothermal permits. Exclusion Certificate application fees, DEQ water quality permit application and annual fees, and cost-recovery projects are not included in this fee update. Below is a clarification of those fees.

Aggregate Permit Renewal

- IF YOU EXCAVATED/PRODUCED/SOLD MATERIAL INTO MARKET:
 - please pay **\$1,460 plus \$0.0125**/ton production fee
- IF YOU DID NOT PRODUCE/EXCAVATE/SELL MATERIAL INTO MARKET:
 - please pay the base rate of **\$1200** flat (as you had no production)

IF YOU ARE UNSURE – CALL BEFORE YOU SEND IN YOUR RENEWAL

<u>Oil & Gas Permit Renewal</u>	\$1,160	<u>Geothermal Permit Renewal</u>	\$2,725
<u>Exclusion Certificate Renewal</u>	\$165	<u>Exploration Permit Renewal</u>	\$1,460

Complete fee schedules are available on our website:

- **Oil/Gas:**
https://www.oregongeology.org/mlrr/forms/oilgas/520_OG_FeeSchedule2021.pdf
- **Surface Mining/Mineral Exploration:**
https://www.oregongeology.org/mlrr/forms/sufacemining/517_FeeSchedule2021.pdf
- **Geothermal:**
https://www.oregongeology.org/mlrr/forms/geothermal/522_GEO_FeeSchedule2021.pdf

ALL our permit forms are online at: <https://www.oregon.gov/dogami/Pages/MLRR-resources.aspx>

Application Timelines: Operating Permits

Due to an increase in permit applications and inquiries submitted to the MLRR office, processing and response times have increased. Permit applications are processed in the order they are received and moved forward as applicants respond to deficiencies. This includes but is not limited to new Operating Permit applications, transfer applications, and amendment applications. Thank you for your patience.

Contact us at 541-967-2039 mlrr.info@oregon.gov

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Permit Boundary Marking

Spring is finally here and along with it comes increased mine site activity and potential expansion into new areas. The recent storms, combined with vigorous spring growth in western Oregon, have likely obscured many markings. To avoid complicated and costly corrections; DOGAMI urges permittees to annually verify permit boundary, setback, and excavation markings on the ground. To prevent permit boundary violations, equipment operators must know where the boundaries are. In areas where mining operations are anticipated this year it is important that permittees:

- Locate their existing markers
- Clear vegetation obscuring markers and
- Update or repair any damaged, missing, or difficult to see markers

After DOGAMI issues the permit and prior to mining, the operator must mark the boundaries for all excavation areas, stockpiles, setbacks, and buffers. The marking has to be accomplished by placing clearly visible markers, which have been pre-approved by the Department, at a distance of no more than 200 feet on center.



*Pictures shown are examples of approved site boundary markings as seen in the field.

DOGAMI understands that there are site specific scenarios that warrant waiving the marking requirements. Those include but are not limited to the markings being in the middle of an active agricultural operation or in the middle of an existing road, private or public. If you think that there are portions of your site boundaries where permanent marking is not possible or does not make sense, please submit a marking waiver request. This request must include a narrative justifying the marking waiver and a map identifying the portions of the boundaries not being marked. DOGAMI may also grant extensions for marking areas that are subject to a phased operation plan.

For questions regarding permit boundary marking, please contact the department via email at mlrr.info@oregon.gov or via phone at (541) 967-2083.

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