MEETING SUMMARY TECHNICAL REVIEW TEAM – WILDLIFE SUBCOMMITEE GRASSY MOUNTAIN GOLD MINE PROJECT

January 14, 2020 10:30 am (Pacific) Time Teleconference/Public Access at the Portland State Office Building

Attendance:

Committee Members

- Sarah Lewis, Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI)
- Ian Madin, DOGAMI
- Trevor Watson, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)
- Tom Segal, ODFW
- Nigel Seidel, ODFW
- Joy Vaughan, ODFW
- Randy Jones, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
- Doug Welch, DEQ
- Jackie Cupples, United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- Shauna Everett, USFWS
- John Westfall, Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Andrea Bowen, BLM
- Megan McGuire, BLM

Others in Attendance

- Adam Bonin, Cardno
- Adele Pozzuto, Cardno
- Nancy Wolverson, Calico Resources
- Christo Theodossiou, Paramount Gold
- Kris Kuyper, EM Strategies
- Jeremy Austin, Oregon Natural Desert Association (ONDA)

Meeting Summary:

The Wildlife TRT Subcommittee met to discuss the Wildlife Baseline Data Report (BDR) and the completeness of the Consolidated Permit Application (CPA). The meeting was chaired by Sarah Lewis (DOGAMI), with assistance from Adam Bonin (Cardno). Per requirements, the meeting was recorded to maintain a record under the Oregon Public Meetings Law. Materials shared at the meeting were accessible via AT&T web meeting. Public access was provided at the DOGAMI Portland Office. Topics covered during the meeting included:

- Summary of the Wildlife BDR included in the CPA,
- Review of the Wildlife BDR completeness,

- Motion adopted.
- Action items and next steps.

A summary of these topics is provided below.

Summary of the Wildlife BDR:

- The Wildlife BDR dated March 3, 2018 was submitted with the CPA.
- The most recent activity was a letter from DOGAMI to Calico in Dec 2018 requesting supplemental information including management plans.
- No response to the December 2018 letter was included with the Wildlife BDR submitted materials.

Review of the Wildlife BDR completeness:

ODFW (Tom Segal, Nigel Seidel):

- o GIS data largely complete, could not access Survey Track shapefile.
- o Previous comments were primarily on Survey Track files, so cannot comment on these until new file provided.
- Some GIS data missing attribute data such as date/time.
- Some additional vegetation surveys will be needed to address function of habitat for sage grouse (not a requirement for baseline completeness).

BLM (Megan McGuire):

o Need response to BLM's clarification comments. November 2019 data received without comment response table.

USFWS (Jackie Cupples):

- o Difficult to track if previous comments had been addressed. Comment response table to assess completeness would be helpful.
- **DEQ**: no comments

Initial Recommendations:

- o **ODFW**: Cannot approve without being able access all information provided.
- o **BLM**: Need to know how previous comments have been addressed before approval.
- DEQ: No specific comments.
- DOGAMI: Cannot approve without being able access all information provided.

Motion adopted:

Wildlife Baseline data report is deficient as described, and cannot be approved until these deficiencies have been resolved. Motion to be forwarded to TRT for action.

Action Items/Next Steps:

- 1. Tom Segal will carry motion to TRT meeting on January 16, 2020.
- 2. DOGAMI requests written comments from agencies for compilation and transmittal to the applicant for review and response, specifically on missing information and request for versioning history.
- 3. DOGAMI to work with Calico to obtain replacement Survey Track shapefile and post to website and distribute to Subcommittee.