Oregon Consolidated Application and Permitting Process – Chemical Process Mine Calico Resources USA

TECHNICAL REVIEW TEAM – Meeting Notes

Date: February 2, 2021; 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM PT

TRT Meeting – 02/02/21 Meeting Notes

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Location: MS Teams teleconference, with public access by phone or online

Purpose: Technical Review Team (TRT) reconvened to discuss project updates since the last TRT meeting in February 2020, and to receive a motion from the Wildlife Subcommittee on the revised Wildlife Baseline Data Report (BDR) submitted this past October.

Attendees	Agency or Affiliation
Sarah Lewis	Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries
	(DOGAMI)
Ian Madin	DOGAMI
Becky Johnson	DOGAMI
Bob Brinkmann	DOGAMI
Jon Westfall	Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
Randy Jones	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
John Dadoly	DEQ
Chad Gubala	DEQ
Bob Schwarz	DEQ
Aaron Borisenko	DEQ
Ron Doughten	DEQ
Emily Oller	DEQ
Kenzie Billings	DEQ
Doug Welch	DEQ
Tom Segal	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)
Nigel Seidel	ODFW
Philip Milburn	ODFW
Joy Vaughn	ODFW
Jackie Cupples	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
Philip Marcy	Oregon Water Resources Department (WRD)
Jesse Ratcliffe	Oregon Department of Justice
Jon Jinings	Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development
	(DLCD)
Adam Bonin	Cardno
Adele Pozzuto	Cardno
Cameron Curtis	Cardno
Michael Murray	HDR
Heather Bartlett	SLR
Jennifer Tobey	SLR
Nancy Wolverson	Calico
Jeremy Austin	Oregon Desert Association

Agenda:

Time	Agenda Topic
2:00 pm	Welcome & Introductions
2:15 pm	Changes and Revisions to the Agenda
2:30 pm	Grassy Mountain Project Status Updates
2:45 pm	Baseline Data Report (BDR) Status Update – Wildlife Baseline Data Report
3:15 pm	Technical Concerns and Proposed Resolutions
	Completeness Review Process Q&A
3:50 pm	Next Steps and Schedule
3:55 pm	Meeting Conclusion and Final Remarks
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1. Introduction

- Meeting intro by Sarah Lewis, DOGAMI, and Adam Bonin, Cardno
- Call in details provided, notice given that the meeting was being recorded

2. Agenda

- Reviewed by committee members
- Randy Jones, DEQ requested updated on National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process, if possible, at the end of the meeting

3. Status update – Sarah Lewis, DOGAMI

- Overview of state activities conducted since last Technical Review Team (TRT) meeting in February 2020, when the TRT recommended the state request additional information from the applicant
- Any new material submitted by the applicant in response to the state's request for additional
 information will be posted on the DOGAMI Grassy Mountain project website, and made
 available for public comment for 14 days
- The 90-day review period observed for the initial completeness review is not required for the subsequent review of applicant deliverables in support of a complete application, however DOGAMI encourages timely review
- Review of materials continues to focus on completeness of application materials

4. Notification that DOGAMI has open position for a Chemical Process Mining Coordinator

5. Wildlife Baseline Data Report (BDR) – Status Update

- Calico submitted the revised Wildlife BDR to DOGAMI in October 2020
- TRT has responsibility to review and approve BDRs as part of a complete application
- Summary of Wildlife Subcommittee meeting that occurred yesterday (02/01)
- Wildlife BDR was posted for 14-day public comment and no comments were submitted

• Wildlife TRT Subcommittee Recommendation of BDR Approval - Tom Segal, ODFW

- The Wildlife Subcommittee agrees that the October 2020 revised Wildlife Baseline Data Report is complete, accurate and conforms to the 2017 work plan, and should be approved by the full TRT
- No TRT members voiced concerns
- Unanimous vote of approval of the Wildlife Baseline Data Report by the Technical Review Team

6. Collective Review Discussion – All Agencies

- Land Use- Randy Jones, DEQ
 - DEQ is required to evaluate project compliance with statewide planning goals and state land use laws
 - Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS) is written and evaluated certification that project is in compliance with land use law
 - LUCS on patented claim area from Malheur County included within Consolidated Permit Application (CPA)
 - Some minor corrections were necessary discussion with DEQ, Calico and its consultants occurred in Fall 2020
 - In BLM-administered land within project area not covered by the LUCS, the state will make "findings" on land use compatibility - that process is underway between DEQ, Calico, and its consultants
- BLM EIS process update, Jon Westfall (BLM)
 - Andrea Bowen has moved to another position, and Jon is now acting project manager for BLM
 - Once BLM confirms the Plan of Operations is complete (submittal from applicant pending), the NEPA EIS process will be initiated
 - Likely will be subject to a 60-day hold for new projects requiring federal review with new administration guidance
- Geochemistry BDR
 - Randy Jones, DEQ stated importance of upcoming Geochemistry BDR submittal to the process
 - HDR (contractor to BLM) is having regular calls with Calico on geochemistry, hydrochemistry, and additional test work
- DEQ requests advanced notice of any upcoming meetings to help with scheduling
- DOGAMI-BLM are having ongoing meetings regarding joint bonding

7. Final Remarks

- DOGAMI will be preparing notes and meeting summary to be posted on the project website
- A formal letter related to Wildlife BDR acceptance will be sent to the applicant