

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING
ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

PACKET

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PROJECT DATA SHEET

PROJECT TITLE: **Niblack Anchorage (Floating Camp - Temporary Site)**

STATE ID NUMBER: **AK 0703-01J**

APPLICANT/PROPONENT: **Niblack Mining Corporation**

AGENT: **Darwin green** Phone: (604) 484-5045 Fax: (604) 686-0279 Email: dgreen@niblackmining.com

DIRECT FEDERAL ACTION: **No**

REVIEW TYPE: **Consistency**

ACTIVITY TYPE: **TIDELANDS - FLOATING STRUCTURE**

PROJECT LOCATION:

Nearest Coastal District: **Ketchikan Gateway Borough**

Project is **OUTSIDE** the District Coastal Zone Boundary.

District Plan Approved? **Yes**

REVIEW SCHEDULE: **30 Days**

REVIEW MILESTONES:

Day 1:	2/26/2007
Reviewer Request for Additional Information on or before:	3/10/2007
ACMP Consistency Comments Due to OPMP on or before:	3/14/2007
Proposed Consistency Determination Issued on or before:	3/21/2007
Final Consistency Determination Issued on or before:	3/27/2007

PREVIOUS OR RELATED PROJECT REVIEW STATE ID#S: **AK 9604-06J**

STATE AND FEDERAL APPROVALS:

STATE	DNR	LAND USE PERMIT	LAS 25727
FEDERAL	COE	SECTION 10 (Modification)	POA-1982-0290

Federal Deadline: 8/26/2007

ACMP Deadline: 5/27/2007

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March 1, 2007

Mr. Darwin Green
Niblack Mining Corporation
800 West Pender Street – Suite 615
Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6C 2V6

Dear Mr. Green:

**Subject: Niblack Anchorage (Floating Camp – Temporary Site)
State I.D. No. AK 0703-01J
Start of ACMP Review**

The Office of Project Management and Permitting (OPMP) has received the Coastal Project Questionnaire (CPQ) and consistency certification, applications, and supporting information you submitted for Niblack Mining Corporation's (NMC) proposed temporary anchorage site for a floating camp within the bay known as Niblack Anchorage on southeast Prince of Wales Island near Moira Sound, in Southeast Alaska. OPMP is coordinating a review for consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program (ACMP) (AS 46.40). This letter initiates the State of Alaska review of this proposed project under the schedule and process described in State regulations (11 AAC 110) and includes a summary of the scope of the project and the review process.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT SUBJECT TO REVIEW:

The temporary site for the proposed floating camp in Niblack Anchorage lies within section 34, Range 88 E., Township 78 S., Copper River Meridian, at approximately 55.396° North, 132.862° West.

Background Information -

NMC is in the process of acquiring the State and Federal various authorizations required for underground exploratory mining operations at the Niblack Mine situated on the uplands adjacent to Niblack Anchorage. The exploratory mining operations are necessary for the Company to ascertain whether there are sufficient valuable minerals to support a full-scale underground mining operation at the site.

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In 1996 Abacus Minerals Corporation proposed an uplands crew camp site for support of their continued exploratory work at the mine site. This camp site was reviewed for consistency with the ACMP in 1996 under “AK 9604-06J”. NMC has recently acquired the Niblack Anchorage assets of Abacus Minerals Corporation. In a departure from the earlier exploratory work plan NMC proposes to operate a self-contained floating crew camp on a barge.

The eventual plan is for this floating camp barge to be permanently moored to driven steel piles located beside a proposed barge landing in shallow water and attached to shore by a metal access causeway. It is expected that the permitting process for the permanent site by the barge landing may not be completed until late in the Spring of 2007. In the interim, NMC is proposing this current temporary anchorage site along the north shore to provide camp facilities for the exploratory work force.

SCOPE OF PROJECT TO BE REVIEWED:

The scope of the project subject to the consistency review includes all Federal and State applications and supporting documents submitted to gain authorizations for this proposed temporary siting of a floating camp offshore within Niblack Anchorage in Southeast Alaska.

REVIEW PROCESS:

OPMP distributed the packet of information you submitted to the following review participants: Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW), the Office of Habitat Management and Permitting (OHMP), and the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Coastal District (the nearest approved coastal district). A notice was posted on March 1, 2007 on the Alaska Department of Natural Resources’ (ADNR) Public Notice website [www.dnr.state.ak.us/pic/pubnotfrm.htm], the Ketchikan City Library, at the Ketchikan Ports and Harbors offices, and at the Ketchikan Coastal District offices. The COE’s Public Notice for this proposed temporary siting of a floating camp was issued on March 2, 2007.

AUTHORIZATIONS:

The project must be found consistent with the ACMP before the following Federal and State and authorizations may be issued:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE)
Section 10 Permit No. POA-1982-0290 (Modification)

Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR)
Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW)
Land Use Permit LAS 25727

Please note that, in addition to their consistency review, State agencies with permitting responsibilities will evaluate this proposed project according to their specific permitting authorities. Agencies will issue permits and authorizations only if they find the proposed project

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complies with their statutes and regulations in addition to being consistent with the coastal program. Applicants may not use any State land or water without ADNR authorization.

REVIEW SCHEDULE:

OPMP is coordinating the consistency review of this project under a 30-day review schedule. Review deadlines are listed below and on the enclosed Project Data Sheet.

Request for additional information:	3/10/2007
Comment deadline:	3/14/2007 no later than 5:00 p.m.
Proposed determination:	3/21/2007
Final determination:	3/27/2007

State review participants will evaluate this proposed project for consistency with the enforceable policies of the ACMP that include statewide standards in 11 AAC 112, and enforceable policies of an affected coastal district's coastal management program. Also, the public may submit comments regarding the consistency of the project with the ACMP.

OPMP will give careful consideration to all comments. The proposed consistency determination will notify you of the State's concurrence with or objection to your certification. If the State objects, the consistency determination may include alternative measures required to make the proposed project consistent with the ACMP. You may choose to adopt the alternative measures, or propose other modifications that would achieve consistency for the State to consider.

By a copy of this letter OPMP is informing both Federal and State agencies that the State has begun its consistency review of this project. We encourage you to visit OPMP's web site [www.alaskacoast.state.ak.us] for more information about the ACMP. The web site contains the State's consistency review regulations 11 AAC 110, links to the public notice for this project, and other information. Please contact me at 465-4664, or email joe_donohue@dnr.state.ak.us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Joe Donohue
ACMP Project Specialist

Enclosure

cc: Packet Distribution List

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February 22, 2007

Mrs. Nicole Hayes
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Regulatory Branch
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Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
99506

**Re: Niblack Exploration Project – ACOE Section 10 Application for Temporary
Camp Barge**

Dear Mrs. Hayes:

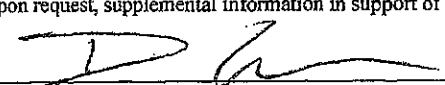
Please find enclosed an application form and supporting figures for an ACOE Section 10 Permit. The permit is for a camp barge to support mineral exploration and construction activities by Niblack Mining Corp. on the adjoining Niblack property. Also attached is a copy of a Tideland Permit application submitted to ADNR, and a Coastal Zone Project Questionnaire submitted for this facility. An eel grass survey has been completed and the proposed facility will avoid sensitive eel grass habitat.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal please contact me directly at (604) 484-5045.

Sincerely,

Darwin Green, VP Exploration

CC: Paddy Nicol (President)
Bob Tsigonis (LMPT Project Coordinator)
Joe Donahue, (ACMP Supervisor)

APPLICATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT (33 CFR 325)		OMB APPROVAL NO. 0710-0003 Expires December 31, 2004	
<p>The Public burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 hours per response, although the majority of applications should require 5 hours or less. This includes the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to Department of Defense, Washington Headquarters Service Directorate of Information Operations and Reports, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302; and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0710-0003), Washington, DC 20503. Respondents should be aware that notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number. Please DO NOT RETURN your form to either of those addresses. Completed applications must be submitted to the District Engineer having jurisdiction over the location of the proposed activity.</p>			
<p>PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT</p>			
<p>Authorities: Rivers and Harbors Act, Section 10, 33 USC 403; Clean Water Act, Section 404, 33 USC 1344; Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act, 33 USC 1413, Section 103. Principal Purpose: Information provided on this form will be used in evaluating the application for a permit. Routine Uses: This information may be shared with the Department of Justice and other federal, state, and local government agencies. Submission of requested information is voluntary, however, if information is not provided the permit application cannot be evaluated nor can a permit be issued.</p> <p>One set of original drawings or good reproducible copies which show the location and character of the proposed activity must be attached to this application (see sample drawings and instructions) and be submitted to the District Engineer having jurisdiction over the location of the proposed activity. An application that is not completed in full will be returned.</p>			
<p>(ITEMS 1 THRU 4 TO BE FILLED BY THE CORPS)</p>			
1. APPLICATION NO.	2. FIELD OFFICE CODE	3. DATE RECEIVED	4. DATE APPLICATION COMPLETED
<p>(ITEMS BELOW TO BE FILLED BY APPLICANT)</p>			
5. APPLICANT'S NAME <i>Niblack Mining Corp.</i>		8. AUTHORIZED AGENT'S NAME AND TITLE <i>(an agent is not required)</i> <i>Rick Richins RTR Resource Mgmt.</i>	
6. APPLICANT'S ADDRESS <i>615-800 West Pender St. Vancouver, BC, V6C 2V6</i>		7. AGENT'S ADDRESS <i>1109 West Main St. Suite 480 Boise, Idaho 83702</i>	
7. APPLICANT'S PHONE NOS. W/AREA CODE		10. AGENT'S PHONE NOS. W/AREA CODE	
a. Residence		a. Residence	
b. Business <i>604-484-5045</i>		b. Business <i>208-343-8727</i>	
<p>11. STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION</p>			
<p>I hereby authorize <u><i>Rick Richins</i></u> to act in my behalf as my agent in the processing of this application and to furnish, upon request, supplemental information in support of this permit application.</p>			
 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE		<u><i>Feb 21, 2007</i></u> DATE	
<p>NAME, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY</p>			
12. PROJECT NAME OR TITLE <i>(see instructions)</i> <i>Niblack Exploration Project</i>			
13. NAME OF WATERBODY, IF KNOWN <i>(if applicable)</i> <i>Niblack Anchorage</i>		14. PROJECT STREET ADDRESS <i>(if applicable)</i>	
15. LOCATION OF PROJECT <i>30 Mi SW of Ketchikan Alaska</i> COUNTY STATE			
16. OTHER LOCATION DESCRIPTIONS, IF KNOWN <i>(see instructions)</i> <i>Prince of Wales Island, Moiva Sound</i>			
17. DIRECTIONS TO THE SITE <i>See Attached Sheet</i>			

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18. Nature of Activity (Description of project, include all features)
Floating camp barge with wooden walkway to shore.

19. Project Purpose (Describe the reason or purpose of the project, see instructions)
Accommodations for exploration crew

USE BLOCKS 20-22 IF DREDGED AND/OR FILL MATERIAL IS TO BE DISCHARGED

20. Reason(s) for Discharge
N/A

21. Type(s) of Material Being Discharged and the Amount of Each Type in Cubic Yards
N/A

22. Surface Area in Acres of Wetlands or Other Waters Filled (see instructions)
N/A

23. Is Any Portion of the Work Already Complete? Yes _____ No IF YES, DESCRIBE THE COMPLETED WORK

24. Addresses of Adjoining Property Owners, Lessees, Etc., Whose Property Adjoins the Waterbody (if more than can be entered here, please attach a supplemental list).
Niblack Mining Corp. owns the adjoining property.

25. List of Other Certifications or Approvals/Denials Received from other Federal, State, or Local Agencies for Work Described in This Application

AGENCY	TYPE APPROVAL*	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	DATE APPLIED	DATE APPROVED	DATE DENIED
<i>ADNR</i>	<i>Tideland permit</i>	<i>LAS 25727</i>	<i>May, 2006</i>	<i>pending</i>	

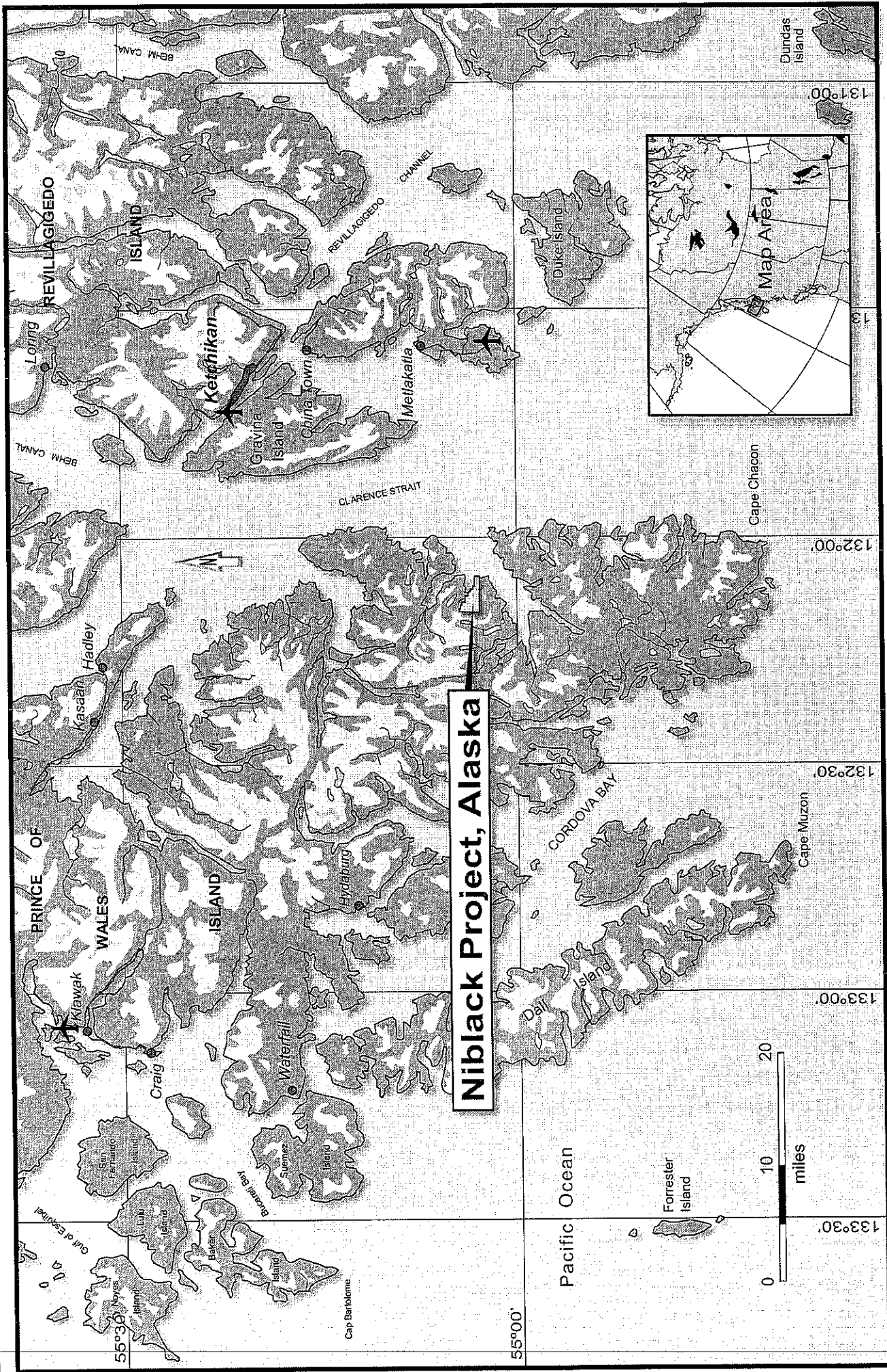
*Would include but is not restricted to zoning, building and flood plain permits

26. Application is hereby made for a permit or permits to authorize the work described in this application. I certify that the information in this application is complete and accurate. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the work described herein or am acting as the duly authorized agent of the applicant.

[Signature] February 22/07
 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE SIGNATURE OF AGENT DATE

The application must be signed by the person who desires to undertake the proposed activity (applicant) or it may be signed by a duly authorized agent if the statement in block 11 has been filled out and signed.

18 U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up any trick, scheme, or disguises a material fact or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or entry, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both.



Niblack Project, Alaska

Niblack Project Location Map

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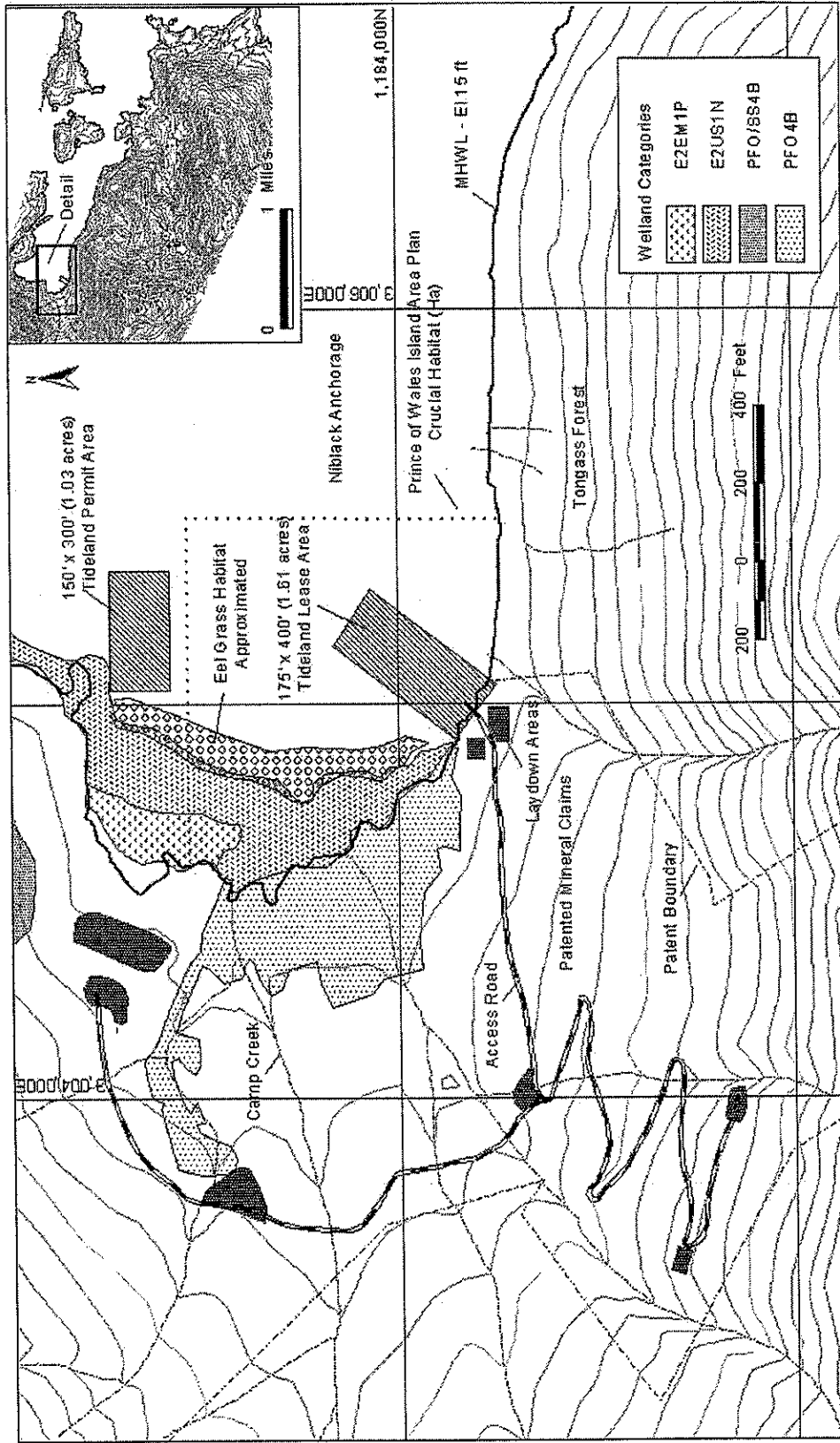
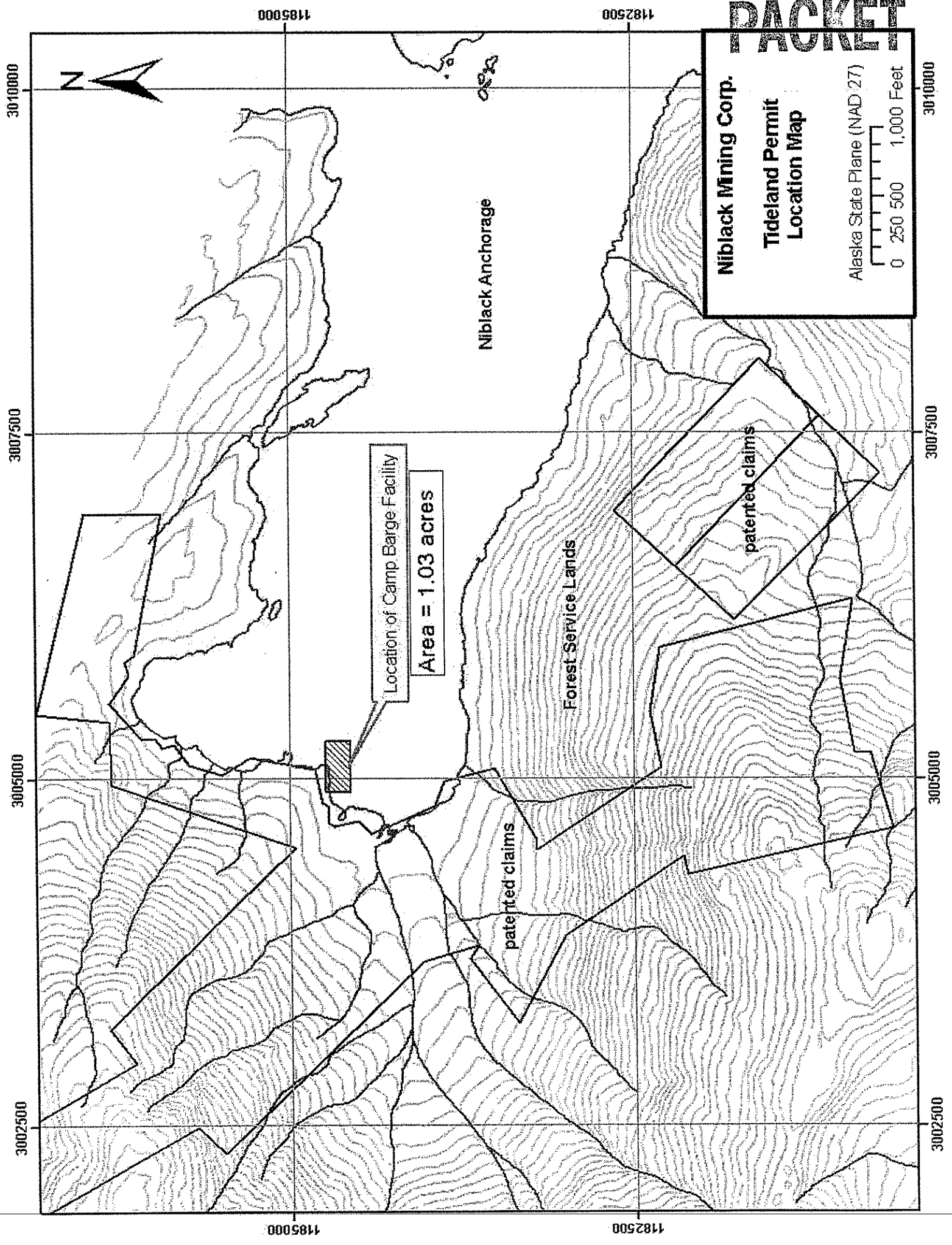


Figure 2. Temporary tideland permit application, facilities site plan.



Nibleck Mining Corp.

Tideland Permit
Location Map

Alaska State Plane (NAD 27)



Location of Camp Barge Facility

Area = 1.03 acres

Nibleck Anchorage

Forest Service Lands

patented claims

patented claims

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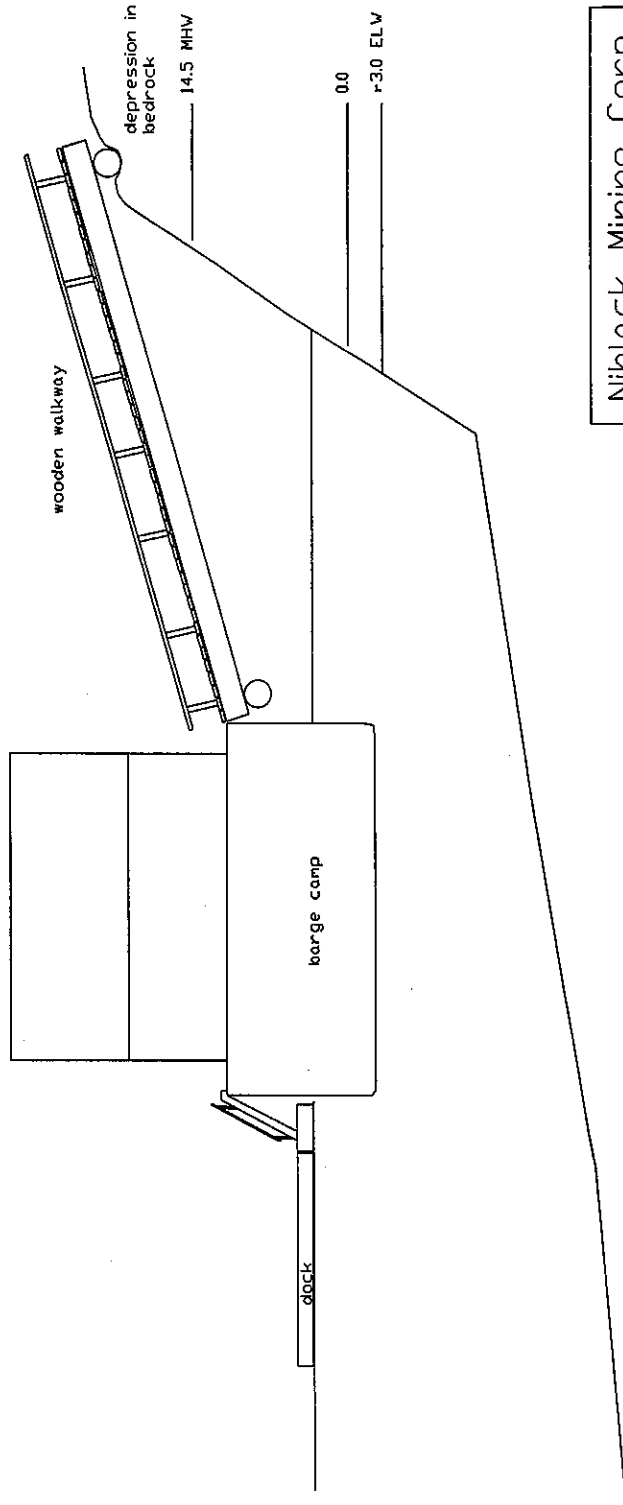
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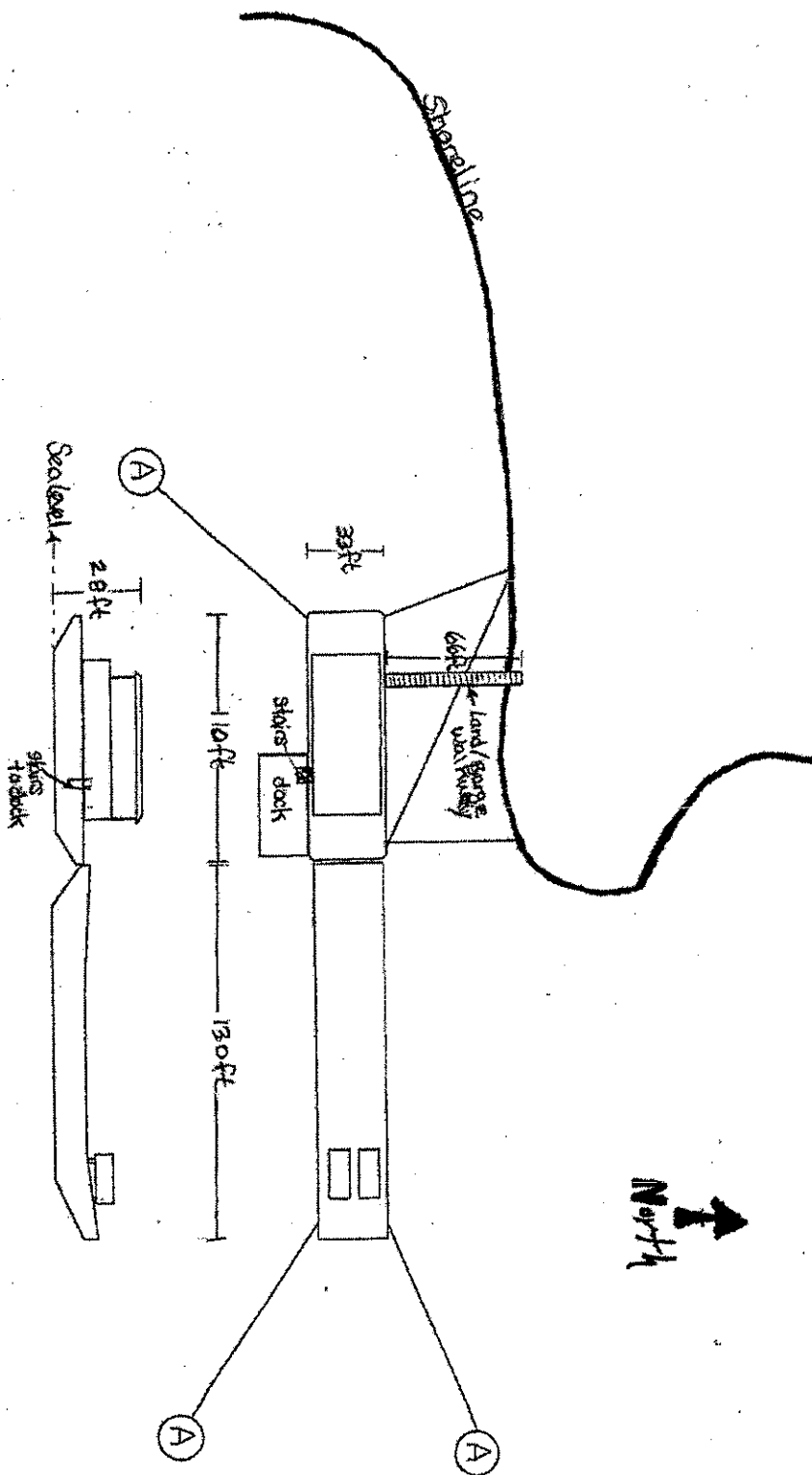
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Cross Sectional View
of Barge Camp Layout



Niblack Mining Corp.

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Coastal Project Questionnaire and Certification Statement

All questions must be answered. **If you answer "Yes" to any of the questions, please call that specific department for further instructions to avoid delay in processing your application.** Maps and plan drawings must be included with your packet.

An incomplete packet will be returned.

■ APPLICANT INFORMATION

<p>1. Niblack Mining Corp.</p> <hr/> <p>Name of Applicant</p> <p>Suite 615 – 800 West Pender Street</p> <hr/> <p>Address</p> <p>Vancouver, B.C., Canada, V63 2V6</p> <hr/> <p>City/State/Zip</p> <p>(604) 484-5045 (fax) 604-684-0279</p> <hr/> <p>Daytime Phone</p> <p>Darwin Green [dgreen@niblackmining.com]</p> <hr/> <p>Fax Number</p>	<p>2. Rick Richins, RTR Resource Management</p> <hr/> <p>Agent (or responsible party if other than applicant)</p> <p>1109 Main St - Suite 480</p> <hr/> <p>Address</p> <p>Boise, Idaho 83702</p> <hr/> <p>City/State/ZipState Zip Code</p> <p>(208) 343-8727</p> <hr/> <p>Daytime Phone</p> <p>(208) 343-5115</p> <hr/> <p>Fax Number</p>
E-mail Address	E-mail Address

■ PROJECT INFORMATION

1. This activity is a: new project modification or addition to an existing project Yes No
 If this is a modification, do you currently have any State, federal or local approvals for this activity? N.A.
Note: Approval means any form of authorization. If "yes," please list below:

Approval Type	Approval #	Issuance Date	Expiration Date
N.A.			

2. If this is a modification, was this project reviewed for consistency with Alaska Coastal Management? N.A.
 Previous State I.D. Number: AK - N.A.
 Previous Project Name - N.A.

■ PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Provide a brief description of your entire project and ALL associated facilities and land use conversions.
The Niblack construction exploration project is located in Sections 33 and 34, T 78 S, R 88 E, Copper River Meridian, Latitude 55.0667°N, Longitude 132.1467°W, off Moira Sound in Niblack Anchorage Prince of Wales Island, Alaska (see Figure 1, Location Map).

The temporary barge facility is a 30-50 ft. wide by 100-150 ft long floating mancamp. The barge is designed to accommodate 24 workers. It is self-contained with ADEC-approved water supply and waste water treatment facilities. A hinged walkway would provide reliable and safe access to the land and a historic mancamp, the core storage area, and solid waste incinerator (see Figure 2, Initial Site Plan).

Proposed starting date for project: 3/15/2007. Proposed ending date for project: 11/15/2007 (8 months).

2. Attach the following: • a detailed project description, all associated facilities, and land use conversions, etc. (Be specific, including access roads, caretaker facilities, waste disposal sites, etc.); • a project timeline for completion of all major activities; • a site plan depicting project boundary with all proposed actions; • other supporting documentation to facilitate project review. Note: If the project is a modification, identify existing facilities and proposed changes on the site plan.

■ PROJECT LOCATION

1. Attach a copy of the topographical and vicinity map clearly indicating the location of the project. Please include a map title and scale. See **Figures 1 and 2 attached**.
2. The project is located in which region (see attached map): Northern Southcentral Southeast
 Southwest within or associated with the Trans-Alaska Pipeline corridor
3. Location of project (Include the name of the nearest land feature or body of water.) Niblack Anchorage, P.of Wales Island
Township 78S Range 88E Section : 33/34 Meridian : Copper River Latitude/Longitude 55.0667°N / 132.1467°W
USGS Quad Map: Niblack Anchorage
4. Is the project located in a coastal district? Yes No If yes, identify: Southeast
(Coastal districts are a municipality or borough, home rule or first class city, second class with planning, or coastal resource service area.) Note: A coastal district is a participant in the State's consistency review process. It is possible for the State review to be adjusted to accommodate a local permitting public hearing. Early interaction with the district is important; please contact the district representative listed on the attached contact list.
5. Identify the communities closest to your project location: Ketchikan
6. The project is on: State land or water* Federal land Private land
 Municipal land Mental Health Trust land
**State land can be uplands, tidelands, or submerged lands to 3 miles offshore. See Question #1 in DNR section.*
Contact the applicable landowner(s) to obtain necessary authorizations. **Project is Located on State Tidelands**

■ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (DEC) APPROVALS

- | | Yes | No |
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| 1. Will a discharge of wastewater from industrial or commercial operations occur? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Will the discharge be connected to an approved sewer system? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Will the project include a stormwater collection/discharge system? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Do you intend to construct, install, modify, or use any part of a wastewater (sewage or greywater) disposal system? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- a) If the answer is yes, will the discharge be 500 gallons per day or greater?.....
- b) If constructing a domestic wastewater treatment or disposal system, will the system be located within fill material requiring a COE permit? N.A.

Self-contained floating barge camp with approved waste water treatment system.

If you answered yes to a) or b), answer the following:

- 1) What is the distance from the bottom of the system to the top of the subsurface water table? **N.A.**
- 2) How far is any part of the wastewater disposal system from the nearest surface water? **N.A.**
- 3) Is the surrounding area inundated with water at any time of the year? N.A.
- 4) How big is the fill area to be used for the absorption system? **N.A.**
(Questions 1 & 2 will be used by DEC to determine whether separation distances are being met; Questions 3 & 4 relate to the required size of the fill if wetlands are involved.)

- | | Yes | No |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 3. Will your project require a mixing zone?
<i>(If your wastewater discharge will exceed Alaska water quality standards, you may apply for a mixing zone. If so, please contact DEC to discuss information required under 18 AAC 70.032.)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. a) Will your project result in construction, operation, or closure of a facility for solid waste disposal?.....
<i>(Note: Solid waste means drilling wastes, household garbage, refuse, sludge, construction or demolition wastes, industrial solid waste, asbestos, and other discarded, abandoned, or unwanted solid or semi-solid material, whether or not subject to decomposition, originating from any source. Disposal means placement of solid waste on land.)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Will your project result in treatment of solid waste at the site?.....
<i>(Examples of treatment methods include, but are not limited to: incineration, open burning, baling, and composting.)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Will your project result in storage or transfer of solid waste at the site?..... | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Will the project result in storage of more than 50 tons of materials for reuse, recycling, or resource recovery?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Will any sewage solids or biosolids be disposed of or land-applied to the site?
<i>(Sewage solids include wastes that have been removed from a wastewater treatment plant system, such as a septic tank, lagoon dredge, or wastewater treatment sludge that contain no free liquids. Biosolids are the solid, semi-solid, or liquid residues produced during the treatment of domestic septage in a treatment works which are land applied for beneficial use.)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Will your project require application of oil, pesticides, and/or any other broadcast chemicals? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. a) Will you have a facility with industrial processes that are designed to process no less than five tons per hour and needs air pollution controls to comply with State emission standards? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Will you have stationary or transportable fuel burning equipment, including flares, with a total fuel consumption capacity no less than 50 million Btu/hour? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Will you have a facility with incinerators having a total charging capacity of no less than 1,000 pounds per hour?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Will you have a facility with equipment or processes that are subject to Federal New Source Performance Standards or National Emission Standards for hazardous air pollutants? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| i) Will you propose exhaust stack injection? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Will you have a facility with the potential to emit no less than 100 tons per year of any regulated air contaminant?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f) Will you have a facility with the potential to emit no less than 10 tons per year of any hazardous air contaminant or 25 tons per year of all hazardous air contaminants?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g) Will you construct or add stationary or transportable fuel burning equipment of no less than 10 million Btu/hour in the City of Unalaska or the City of St. Paul? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

- h) Will you construct or modify in the Port of Anchorage a volatile liquid storage tank with a volume no less than 9,000 barrels, or a volatile liquid loading rack with a design throughput no less than 15 million gallons?
 - i) Will you be requesting operational or physical limits designed to reduce emissions from an existing facility in an air quality nonattainment area to offset an emission increase from another new or modified facility?
 - 7. Do you plan to develop, construct, install, or alter a public water system?
 - 8. a) Will your project involve the operation of waterborne tank vessels or oil barges that carry crude or non-crude oil as bulk cargo, or the transfer of oil or other petroleum products to or from such a vessel or a pipeline system?
 - b) Will your project require or include onshore or offshore oil facilities with an effective aggregate storage capacity of greater than 5,000 barrels of crude oil or greater than 10,000 barrels of non-crude oil?
- Yes No
- c) Will you operate facilities on land or water for exploration or production of hydrocarbons?

If you answered "No" to ALL questions in this section, continue to next section.
 If you answered "Yes" to ANY of these questions, contact the DEC office nearest you for information and application forms. Please be advised that all new DEC permits and approvals require a 30-day public notice period. DEC Pesticide permits take effect no sooner than 40 days after the permit is issued.

Based on your discussion with DEC, please complete the following:

Types of project approvals or permits needed and name of individual you contacted.

Date application submitted

Temporary Tidelands Permit (Land Use Permit Application – AS 38.05.850) for floating mancamp Travis Guymon/Brady Scott (907) 465-3406	Original May, 2006, resubmitted February 12 2007
ADEC General Permit #0240DB004 for domestic waste water (Auth. # 1132). Tim Wingerter/Shawn Stokes (907) 465-5366	February, 2007: Application for renewal of ADEC File 900.45.090. Authorized discharge from Aug 4, 2006 to December 31, 2006.

- 9. Does your project qualify for a general permit for wastewater or solid waste?
- Note: A general permit is an approval issued by DEC for certain types of routine activities.*

If you answered "Yes" to any questions in this section and are not applying for DEC permits, indicate reason:

N.A. (DEC contact) told me on _____ that no DEC approvals are required on this project because

Other: N.A.

■ DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME (DFG) APPROVALS

Yes No

- 1. Is your project located in a designated State Game Refuge, Critical Habitat Area or State Game Sanctuary?
- 2. Does your project include construction/operation of a salmon hatchery?

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3. Does your project affect, or is it related to, a previously permitted salmon hatchery?.....
4. Does your project include construction of an aquatic farm?.....

If you answered "No" to ALL questions in this section, continue to next section.
If you answered "Yes" to ANY questions under 1-4, contact the ADF&G Commercial Fisheries Division headquarters for information and application forms

Based on your discussion with ADF&G, please complete the following:

Types of project approvals or permits needed.	Date application submitted
NONE	

If you answered "YES" to any questions in this section and are not applying for ADF&G permits, indicate reason:

_____ (ADF&G contact) told me on _____ that no ADF&G approvals are required on this project because _____

Other: Mark Mannillo of Alaska Department of Fish and Game consulted. Floating mancamp located to avoid Critical Habitat (see Figure 2)

■ DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR) APPROVALS

Yes No

1. Is the proposed project on State-owned land or water or will you need to cross State-owned land for access? ("Access" includes temporary access for construction purposes. *Note: In addition to State-owned uplands, the State owns almost all land below the ordinary high water line of navigable streams, rivers and lakes, and below the mean high tide line seaward for three miles.*)
- a) Is this project for a commercial activity?
2. Is the project on Alaska Mental Health Trust land (AMHT) or will you need to cross AMHT land? *Note: Alaska Mental Health Trust land is not considered State land for the purpose of ACMP reviews.*
3. Do you plan to dredge or otherwise excavate/remove materials on State-owned land?
- Location of dredging site if different than the project site: N.A.
- Township _____ Range _____ Section _____ Meridian _____ USGS Quad Map _____
4. Do you plan to place fill or dredged material on State-owned land?
- Location of fill disposal site if other than the project site: _____
- Township _____ Range _____ Section _____ Meridian: USGS Quad Map:
- Source is on: State Land Federal Land Private Land Municipal Land
5. Do you plan to use any of the following State-owned resources:.....
- N.A. **Timber:** Will you harvest timber? Amount: _____
- N.A. **Materials such as rock, sand or gravel, peat, soil, overburden, etc.:**

Which material? _____ Amount: **None**

Location of source: Project site Other, describe: _____

Township _____ Range _____ Section _____ Meridian _____ USGS Quad Map _____

6. Do you plan to divert, impound, withdraw, or use any fresh water, except from an existing public water system or roof rain catchment system (regardless of land ownership)?.....

Amount (maximum daily, not average, in gallons per day): **10,000 gpd**

Source: **Camp Creek** Intended Use: **Domestic after treatment**

If yes, will your project affect the availability of water to anyone holding water rights to that water?

7. Do you plan to build or alter a dam (regardless of land ownership)?

8. Do you plan to drill a geothermal well (regardless of land ownership)?

9. At any one site (regardless of land ownership), do you plan any of the following?.....

Mine five or more acres over a year's time

Mine 50,000 cubic yards or more of materials (rock, sand or gravel, soil, peat, overburden, etc.) over a year's time

Have a cumulative unreclaimed mined area of five or more acres

If yes to any of the above, contact DNR about a reclamation plan.

If you plan to mine less than the acreage/amount stated above and have a cumulative unreclaimed **Yes**

No

mined area of less than five acres, do you intend to file a voluntary reclamation plan for approval?

10. Do you plan to explore for or extract coal?

11. a) Will you explore for or produce oil and/or gas?.....

b) Will you conduct surface use activities on an oil and/or gas lease or within an oil and/or gas unit?.....

12. Will you investigate, remove, or impact historical or archaeological or paleontological resources (anything over 50 years old) on State-owned land?.....

13. Is the proposed project located within a known geophysical hazard area?.....

Note: 6 AAC 80.900(9) defines geophysical hazard areas as "those areas which present a threat to life or property from geophysical or geological hazards, including flooding, tsunami run-up, storm surge run-up, landslides, snowslides, faults, ice hazards, erosion, and littoral beach process." "known geophysical hazard area" means any area identified in a report or map published by a federal, state, or local agency, or by a geological or engineering consulting firm, or generally known by local knowledge, as having known or potential hazards from geologic, seismic, or hydrologic processes.

14. Is the proposed project located in a unit of the Alaska State Park System?

15. Will you work in, remove water or material from, or place anything in, a stream, river or lake? (This includes work or activities below the ordinary high water mark or on ice, in the active flood plain, on islands, in or on the face of the banks, or, for streams entering or flowing through tidelands, above the level of mean lower low tide.)
Note: If the proposed project is located within a special flood hazard area, a floodplain development permit may be required. Contact the affected city or borough planning department for additional information and a floodplain determination.)

Name of waterbody: Camp Creek, Niblack Anchorage (marine)

16. Will you do any of the following:.....

Please indicate below:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Build a dam, river training structure, other instream impoundment, or weir
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use water
<input type="checkbox"/> Pump water into or out of stream or lake (including dry channels)
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert or alter a natural stream channel
<input type="checkbox"/> Change water flow or the stream channel
<input type="checkbox"/> Introduce silt, gravel, rock, petroleum products, debris, brush, trees, chemicals, or other organic/inorganic material, including waste of any type, into water
<input type="checkbox"/> Alter, stabilize or restore banks of a river, stream or lake (provide number of linear feet affected along the bank(s))
<input type="checkbox"/> Mine, dig in, or remove material, including woody debris, from beds or banks of a waterbody
<input type="checkbox"/> Use explosives in or near a waterbody | <input type="checkbox"/> Build a bridge (including an ice bridge)
<input type="checkbox"/> Use a stream, lake or waterbody as a road (even when frozen), or cross a stream with tracked or wheeled vehicles, log-dragging or excavation equipment (backhoes, bulldozers, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Install a culvert or other drainage structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Construct, place, excavate, dispose or remove any material below the ordinary high water of a waterbody
<input type="checkbox"/> Construct a storm water discharge or drain into a waterbody
<input type="checkbox"/> Place pilings or anchors
<input type="checkbox"/> Construct a dock
<input type="checkbox"/> Construct a utility line crossing
<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain or repair an existing structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Use an instream in-water structure not mentioned here |
|---|--|

**If you answered "No" to ALL questions in this section, continue to next section.
 If you answered "Yes" to ANY questions under 1-16, contact the Area DNR, office for information and application forms.**

Based on your discussion with DNR, please complete the following:

Types of project approvals or permits needed.	Date application submitted
Temporary Tidelands Permit	May 2006, resubmitted February 12, 2007
Temporary Water Use Existing Authorization (TWUP #J2005-06)	June 17, 2005

If you answered "Yes" to any questions in this section and are not applying for DNR permits, indicate reason:

N.A. _____ (DNR contact) told me on _____ that no DNR approvals are required on this project because _____

■ FEDERAL APPROVALS

Yes No

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE)

1. Will you dredge or place structures or fills in any of the following:
 tidal (ocean) waters? streams? lakes? wetlands*?
 If yes, have you applied for a COE permit?

Date of submittal: January 17, 2007

Name of COE contact: Nicole Hayes (907) 753-2712

(Note: Your application for this activity to the COE also serves as application for DEC Water Quality Certification.)

*If you are not certain whether your proposed project is in a wetlands (wetlands include muskegs), contact the COE, Regulatory Branch at 907-753-2712 for a wetlands determination (outside the Anchorage area call toll free 1-800-478-2712)

Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

2. Is the proposed project located on BLM land, or will you need to cross BLM land for access?.....
- If yes, have you applied for a BLM permit or approval?

Date of submittal: N.A.

Name of BLM contact: _____

U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

3. a) Do you plan to construct a bridge or causeway over tidal (ocean) waters, or navigable rivers, streams or lakes?.....
- b) Does your project involve building an access to an island?
- c) Do you plan to site, construct, or operate a deepwater port?.....
- If yes, have you applied for a USCG permit?

Date of submittal: N.A.

Name of USCG contact: _____

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

4. a) Will the proposed project have a discharge to any waters? (Stormwater Only).....
- b) Will you dispose of sewage sludge (contact EPA at 206-553-1941)?
- If you answered yes to a) or b), have you applied for an EPA National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit?

Date of submittal: N.A.

Name of EPA contact: _____

(Note: For information regarding the need for an NPDES permit, contact EPA at 1-800-424-4372)

- c) Will construction of your project expose more than one acre of soil? (This applies to the total amount of **Yes**

No

land disturbed, even if disturbance is distributed over more than one season, and also applies to areas that are part of a larger common plan of development or sale.).....

- d) Is your project an industrial facility that will have stormwater discharge directly related to manufacturing, processing, or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant?

If you answered yes to c) or d), your project may require an NPDES Stormwater permit. Contact EPA at 206-553-8399.

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

5. a) Is your project located within five miles of any public airport?.....
- b) Will you have a waste discharge that is likely to decay within 5,000 feet of any public airport?
- If yes, please contact the Airports Division of the FAA at 907-271-5438.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

6. a) Does the project include any of the following:
- 1) a non-federal hydroelectric project on any navigable body of water.....
- 2) a location on federal land (including transmission lines)

- 3) utilization of surplus water from any federal government dam
- b) Does the project include construction and operation, or abandonment of natural gas pipeline facilities under sections (b) and (c) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)?
- c) Does the project include construction for physical interconnection of electric transmission facilities under section 202 (b) of the FPA?
- If you answered yes to any questions under number 6, did you apply for a permit from FERC?

Date of submittal: **N.A.**

Name of FERC contact:

(Note: For information, Div. Hydropower-Environment and Engineering contact: Vince Yearek 202-502-6174 or Mike Henry 503-944-6762, 202-502 8700; (for Natural Gas Projects) Division of Pipeline Certificate 202-502-8625; for Alaska projects contact Richard Foley - 202-502-8955)

U.S. Forest Service (USFS)

- 7. a) Does the proposed project involve construction on USFS land?
- b) Does the proposed project involve the crossing of USFS land with a water line?
- If the answer to either question is yes, did you apply for a USFS permit or approval?.....

Date of submittal: **N.A.**

Name of USFS contact: **Jeff DeFriest (Juneau Ranger District)**

- 8. Have you applied for any other federal permits or authorizations?

AGENCY	APPROVAL TYPE	DATE SUBMITTED

Please be advised that the CPQ identifies permits subject to a consistency review. You may need additional permits from other agencies or the affected city and/or borough government to proceed with your activity.

Certification Statement

The information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I certify that the proposed activity complies with, and will be conducted in a manner consistent with, the Alaska Coastal Management Program.

Robert T. Nickins

_____ February 12, 2007 _____

Signature of Applicant or Agent Date

Note: Federal agencies conducting an activity that will affect the coastal zone are required to submit a federal

consistency determination, per 15 CFR 930, Subpart C, rather than this certification statement.
ACMP has developed a guide to assist federal agencies with this requirement. Contact ACMP to obtain a copy.

This certification statement will not be complete until all required State and federal authorization requests have been submitted to the appropriate agencies.

- **To complete your packet, please attach your State permit applications and copies of your federal permit applications to this questionnaire.**

STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF MINING, LAND AND WATER

LAND USE PERMIT APPLICATION

AS 38.05.850

Applicants must complete all sections of this application. In addition, applicants proposing:

- the use of the uplands and non marine waters must also complete the Supplemental Questionnaire for Use of Uplands and Non Marine Waters accompanying this application;
- off-road travel must also complete the Supplemental Questionnaire for Off-Road Travel accompanying this application; and/or
- the use of tide and submerged lands must also complete the Supplemental Questionnaire for Use of Marine Waters accompanying this application.

Other items that must accompany the completed application are:

- a (non-refundable) \$100 application filing fee;
- a 1:250,000 or 1:63,360 scale USGS map showing the location of the proposed activity;
- additional items identified and required in any supplemental questionnaire(s) to this application;
- an Alaska Coastal Management Questionnaire if the proposed use is within the Coastal Zone; and
- additional pages if more space is necessary to answer the questions completely.

Completed Land Use Permit Applications should be mailed to one of the following offices:

Public Information Center
550 W. 7th Ave, Suite 1200
Anchorage, AK 99501
(907) 269-8400

Public Information Center
3700 Airport Way
Fairbanks, AK 99709
(907) 451-2705

MLW Information Office
400 Willoughby, #400
Juneau, AK 99801
(907) 465-3400

LAS # 25727

Applicant Information:			
<u>NIRLACK MINING CORP.</u>			
Applicant Name		Date of Birth	
<u>ARBORE ALASKA INC.</u>		<u>DARWIN GREEN</u>	
Doing Business As		Contact Person	
Mailing Address with City, State and Zip		Email Address	
<u>615-800 West Pender St., Vancouver B.C.</u>		<u>dgreen@nirlackmining.com</u>	
Home Phone		Work Phone	Cell Phone
		<u>(604) 484-5045</u>	<u>(604) 789-6093</u>
			FAX
			<u>(604) 684-0279</u>
If you are applying for a corporation, give the following information:			
Name, address and place of incorporation: _____			
Is the corporation qualified to do business in Alaska? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> . If yes, provide name, address and phone number of resident agent: <u>Guest & Ross 510 L Street, Anchorage, Alaska</u>			
Type of User, Select one: <input type="checkbox"/> Private non-commercial (personal use) <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Recreation or Tourism			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Non-profit including Federal, State, Municipal Government Agency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other commercial or industrial			

Duration of Project: The proposed activity will require the use of state land for: (Check one)	
<input type="checkbox"/> a single term of less than one year. Beginning month: _____ Ending month: _____	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a multi year term for up to 5 years. Beginning year: <u>2006</u> Ending year: <u>2008</u>	
If multi year and seasonal, circle months of use in each year. Jan., Feb., Mar., Apr., May, Jun., Jul., Aug., Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec.	

Project Location

Latitude/Longitude or UTM: _____ or

Section: 34, Township: 78 South, Range: 88 East, Meridian: Copper River
(The spaces below are to be used if the boundaries of the proposed project cross section lines.)

Section: _____, Township: _____, Range: _____, Meridian: _____

Section: _____, Township: _____, Range: _____, Meridian: _____

Proposed project will require the use of up to _____ acres. (Add additional sheets as necessary)

Project Description - Describe in detail your intended use of state land. (State land also includes all tide and submerged lands beneath coastal waters and all shorelands beneath other navigable water bodies of the state.) Discuss development and activities. (Attach additional pages as necessary.)

A camp barge having up to 20 people will be used for the Company's exploration activity on the Niblack property. The barge will be moored at the head of the Niblack. A supply barge will be attached to the camp barge.

Should a portion of the permitted area be closed to the general public? Yes No If yes, explain which portion and provide justification for exclusive use:

Site Description - Briefly describe the current condition of the proposed site of use, noting any trash, garbage, debris or signs of possible site contamination (If significant, we recommend you provide pictures to establish initial conditions):

The site area comprises a historic mine site with old wharf pilings that are visible at low tide

Are there improvements or materials on the site now? Yes No If yes, briefly describe the improvements, their approximate value, and who owns them (We recommend you provide pictures of improvements):

Site Description continued - Describe the natural vegetation -- ground cover, trees, shrubs -- and any proposed changes. Describe the location of any estuarine, riparian, or wetlands and any noticeable animal use of area.

The vegetation is typical of southeast Alaskan temperate rainforest and a rocky shoreline

Site Access - Describe how you plan to access the site, and your mode of transportation.

Barge, float plane, and helicopter

If your access is by aircraft, specify the type and size of aircraft: Up to "Other" sized aircraft.

To access the site, the aircraft is equipped with floats wheels skis .

Number of people

1. Indicate the number of employees and supervisors who will be working on the site. up to 20
2. Indicate the number of customers who will be using the site per year or season. none
3. Indicate the number of days the site will be used per year or season. 300

Environmental Risk / Hazardous Substances - In the course of your proposed activity will you generate, use, store, transport, dispose of, or otherwise come in contact with toxic and/or hazardous materials, and/or hydrocarbons? Yes No . If yes, please describe:

Two containers totalling 30,000 gallons of diesel fuel will be stored on the barge and 500 pounds of propane

The types and volumes of fuel or other hazardous substances present or proposed: see above

The specific storage location(s): on the camp and supply barge

The spill plan and prevention methods: Containment booms and absorbent materials will be utilized in the event of any spill.

Environmental Risk/Hazardous Substances (continued) - If you plan to use either above or below ground storage containers (like tanks, drums, or other containers) for hazardous material storage, answer the following questions for each container:

Where will the container be located? Each container will be stored on the deck of the supply barge and the camp barge

What will be stored in the container? as per previous question

What will be the container's size in gallons? One 20,000 gallon tank, one 10,000 gallon tank, one 500 pound propane tank

Give a description of any secondary containment structure, including volume in gallons, the type of lining material, and configuration:

Will the container be tested for leaks? Yes No

Will the container be equipped with leak detection devices? Yes No . If no, describe: The tanks will routinely be visually inspected as they are on the decks of the barges

Do you have any reason to suspect, or do you know if the site may have been previously contaminated? Yes No . If yes, please explain:

D. Green

Date Stamp: April 29/2006

[Signature]

Exploration Manager

Signature of Applicant or Authorized Representative

Title

AS 38.05.035(a) authorizes the director to decide what information is needed to process an application for the sale or use of state land and resources. This information is made part of the state public record and becomes public information under AS 09.25.110 and 09.25.120 (unless the information qualifies for confidentiality under AS 38.05.035(a)(9) and confidentiality is requested.) Public information is open to inspection by you or any member of the public. A person who is the subject of the information may challenge its accuracy or completeness under AS 44.99.310, by giving a written description of the challenged information, the changes needed to correct it, and a name and address where the person can be reached. False statements made in an application for a benefit is punishable under AS 11.56.210.

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STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT/PERMITTING
ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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www.alaskacoast.state.ak.us

February 27, 2007

Postmaster: Ketchikan Post Office
Coordinator: Ketchikan Coastal District
Ketchikan City Library
Ketchikan Ports and Harbors Office
KRBD Public Radio

FAX: 247-1272
FAX: 247-8439
FAX: 225-0153
FAX: 247-3610
FAX: 247-0808

Dear Sir or Madam:

**Subject: Niblack Anchorage (Floating Camp – Temporary Site)
State I.D. No. AK 0703-01J**

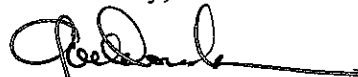
My agency is seeking your assistance so that we can inform the general public of a coastal project proposed in your area and explain how a person can obtain more information and submit comments during the public review period, in accordance with Alaska Statute 46.40.096(c).

Please post the attached public notice in the lobby or general bulletin board area of your postal facility or announce it on your radio station. Please keep the notice posted until the deadline for public comments, as indicated on the notice.

This request to post the attached notice is in accordance with U.S. Post Office regulations (Postal Operations Manual, Section 221.525) which indicate that a government agency can request posting of an official notice about an activity of general interest to the customers of that postal facility.

Thank you for your valuable help.

Sincerely,



Joe Donohue
ACMP Project Specialist

Attachment:

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Public Notice

Alaska Coastal Management Program
Dated February 27, 2007

Niblack Anchorage – Temporary Floating Camp Site Your Opportunity to Comment

Project Title/State ID#:

Niblack Anchorage (Floating Camp -Temporary Site)
/ AK 0703-01J

Applicant/Agent:

Niblack Mining Corporation / Mr. Darwin Green

Location:

Please refer to "Project Description" to follow.

Review Schedule (30 days):

- Day 1.....2/26/2007
- **Comments due on or before.....3/14/2007**
- Final determination issued by4/27/2007

How you can participate:

This project is being reviewed for consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program. Your comments on the proposed project's consistency must be submitted in writing to the Office of Project Management and Permitting (OPMP). *Comments about inconsistency must identify the relevant enforceable policy and explain how the project is not consistent with that policy.*

**Deadline for written comments:
5:00 PM on March 14, 2007**

Contact:

Joe Donohue, ACMP Project Specialist
Alaska Coastal Management Program, OPMP
PO Box 111030, Juneau, Alaska 99811-1030
Phone: 907-465-4664 Fax: 907-465-3075
Email: joe_donohue@dnr.state.ak.us
Web site: <http://www.alaskacoast.state.ak.us/>

Project Description:

The temporary site for the proposed floating camp in Niblack Anchorage lies within section 34, Range 88 E., Township 78 S., Copper River Meridian, at approximately 55.396° North, 132.862° West, just offshore of the existing, permitted dock site position.

Background Information -

NMC is in the process of acquiring the State and Federal various authorizations required for underground exploratory mining operations at the Niblack Mine situated on the uplands adjacent to Niblack Anchorage. The exploratory mining operations are necessary for the Company to ascertain whether there are sufficient valuable minerals to support a full-scale underground mining operation at the site.

In 1996 Abacus Minerals Corporation proposed an uplands crew camp site for support of their continued exploratory work at the mine site. This camp site was reviewed for consistency with the ACMP in 1996 under "AK 9604-06J". NMC has recently acquired the Niblack Anchorage assets of Abacus Minerals Corporation. In a departure from the earlier exploratory work plan NMC proposes to operate a self-contained floating crew camp on a barge.

The eventual plan is for this floating camp barge to be permanently moored to driven steel piles located beside a proposed barge landing in shallow water and attached to shore by a metal access causeway. It is expected that the permitting process for the permanent site by the barge landing may not be completed until late in the Spring of 2007. In the interim, NMC is proposing this current temporary anchorage site offshore to provide camp facilities for the exploratory work force.

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For your information:

Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, or special modifications to participate in this review may contact the OPMP review staff at the above address.

Public notice posted in Ketchikan, Alaska at the Ketchikan Post Office, the Ketchikan Library, the Ketchikan Ports and Harbors office, the Ketchikan Coastal District Office, and announced on KRBD Public Radio. Public notice is also posted on the ADNR web site. A complete copy of the project packet is available for review and copying at the Ketchikan Coastal District office within the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Planning Department at 344 Front St., in Ketchikan, Alaska.