DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Hard Rock Mining Bureau
Hard Rock Operating Permit Section
PO Box 209091
Helena, MT 59620-0901

OPERATING PERMIT NO. 00093
Pursuant to the Metal Mine Reclamation Act
(Title 82, chapter 4, part 3, MCA)

NAME & ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE:
Troy Mine Inc.
P. O. Box 1660
Troy Mine, MT 59935

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PERMIT AREA:
SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 33 WEST
SECTIONS 31 AND 32, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH,
RANGE 33 WEST
COUNTY: Lincoln

MINERALS TO BE MINED:
Inactive and under final reclamation (minerals mined:
copper and silver)

TOTAL ACRES COVERED BY THIS AMENDMENT TO THE PERMIT (Reclamation of the tailings
impoundment) : 382 acres

See Maps In Amendment Application.

BOND AMOUNT: (The current bond covers the proposed work)

THIS AMENDMENT AUTHORIZES THE PERMITTEE TO CONDUCT MINING ACTIVITIES AS SPECIFIED IN:

1. Operating Permit No. 00093 as modified by all previous minor revisions and amendment and by the 2012 Record of Decision (ROD) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
2. Operating Permit No. 00093 as amended to incorporate the reclamation plan set forth in the application to amend Operating Permit No. 00093 submitted by the permittee on December 16, 2016 as modified by the Department’s selection of the Mosaic Alternative.
3. Title 82, Chapter 4, Part 3, Montana Code Annotated (MCA) and the administrative rules adopted thereunder.
4. Title 75, Chapters 2 and 5, MCA, and the administrative rules adopted thereunder
5. The following permit stipulations: None
6. Any incremental bonding conditions: N/A

Under 82-4-337, MCA, the Department is required to consult with an applicant before placing stipulations in a draft or final permit amendment. Permit stipulations in a draft or final permit amendment may, unless the applicant consents, address only compliance issues within the substantive requirements of the Metal Mine Reclamation Act, or rules adopted under the Metal Mine Reclamation Act. Although DEQ determined that the proposed amendment set forth in the revised amendment application complied with the requirements of the Metal Mine Reclamation Act and rules adopted under the Metal Mine Reclamation Act, the permittee has consented to implementing the Mosaic Alternative.

THE RECLAMATION PLAN MAY BE MODIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT, UPON PROPER APPLICATION OF THE PERMITTEE OR AFTER TIMELY NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING, AT ANY TIME DURING THE TERM OF THE PERMIT FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

1. To modify the requirements so that they will not conflict with existing laws;
2. When the previously adopted reclamation plan is impossible or impracticable to implement and maintain;
3. When significant environmental problem situations not permitted under the terms of regulatory permits held by the permittee are revealed by field inspection and the Department has the authority to address them under the provisions of this part.

A person who violates any of the provisions of Title 82, chapter 4, part 3, MCA, or any rule adopted or order issued under this part, or a term or condition of a permit issued under this part, shall pay a civil penalty of not less than $100 or more than $1,000 for the violation and an additional administrative penalty of not less than $100 or more than $1,000 for each day during which a violation continues.

Within thirty days after completion or abandonment of operations on an area under permit or within thirty days after each anniversary date of the permit, whichever is earlier, or at such later date as may be provided by rules adopted by the Board of Environmental Review and each year thereafter until reclamation is completed and approved, the permittee shall pay the annual fee of one hundred dollars and shall file a report of activities completed during the preceding year on a form available from the Department.

This amendment to the operating permit is approved and issued by:

Dan Walsh, Acting Bureau Chief
Hard Rock Mining Bureau
Department of Environmental Quality

Date 01/08/18