

Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Minerals, Mining, & Superfund Program
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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONDUCT
MINERAL EXPLORATION OPERATION
(Excluding Uranium)**

Pursuant to SDCL 45-6C

Operator's name:

Mailing Address:

Telephone:

Resident agent (if out-of-state corporation):

Resident agent address:

Telephone:

Legal description of area to be explored by Section, Township, and Range:

County:

Give a brief description of the type of exploration to be conducted. Include a list of all minerals to be explored and a description of methods (e.g. drill rig type, number of holes to be drilled, number of drill pads to be constructed, proposed depth for each test hole, length of existing access roads and/or new access road construction).

Date exploration will commence:

What legal authority does the operator have to conduct exploration on the above-described land? Include a copy if available.

Deed Lease US Forest Service Permit Pending US Forest Service Permit Other

Will the operator conduct uranium exploration? Yes No If yes, a permit pursuant to SDCL 45-6D must be obtained.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please reference SDCL 45-6C. This Notice of Intent must be accompanied by:

1. A plan of reclamation pursuant to Section 8.
2. A topographic map pursuant to Section 9.
3. A fee of \$250 payable to the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources pursuant to Section 17.
4. A surety in an amount to be determined by the department pursuant to Section 19.
5. Any written landowner consultations giving alternative preferences for the reclamation of the affected land pursuant to Section 16.
6. A Certificate of Notification and Negotiation with Surface Owner/Surface Lessee form if surface and mineral interests are severed.

Applicant affirms that the surface owner has been notified of the proposed mineral development and that said surface owner is aware of his rights to compensation for damages to property pursuant to SDCL 45-5A. Applicant hereby affirms that the mineral exploration will be conducted pursuant and subject to the provisions of SDCL 45-6C, and all regulations promulgated thereunder, that he will grant access to the SD Board of Minerals and Environment or its agents to the area under notice from the date of the notice and thereafter to assure compliance with the provisions of SDCL 45-6C.

I declare and affirm under the penalties of perjury that this claim (petition, application, information) has been examined by me, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, is in all things true and correct.

Signature

Date: _____

Title: _____

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

On this _____ day of _____, 20_____, before me personally appeared _____, who acknowledged himself to be the _____ (Title) for _____ (Operator) and that he is authorized to execute the Notice of Intent for the purposes contained therein.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

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DATE APPROVED: BOND AMOUNT: EXNI NUMBER:

Chairman, SD Board of Minerals & Environment

4. Describe the anticipated temporary and permanent plugging and capping procedures to be used. Please refer to SDCL 45-6C-28 through 45-6C-30, SDCL 45-6D-33 through 45-6D-35, and the state's hole plugging regulations as detailed in ARSD 74:11.

5. Provide the estimated cost of implementing and completing the proposed reclamation, and, the estimated cost of plugging and sealing each test hole.

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Signature

Date: _____

Title: _____