

**STATE OF WYOMING  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
LAND QUALITY DIVISION**

**NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO EXPLORE FOR NONCOAL MINERALS BY DRILLING**

This notification and all attachments in duplicate (or in triplicate if Federal lands are involved), showing intent to explore for noncoal minerals by drilling is submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Land Quality Noncoal Rules and Regulations, Chapter 8 and accompanies the bond required by Chapter 8 Section 3. This notification is submitted in accordance with the Cooperative Agreement between the State and the Bureau of Land Management (43 CFR 3809) if applicable by involvement of Federal locatable minerals.

**1. Discoverer Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Responsible Individual:**

Person who will be present at and/or responsible for the exploration operation. Discoverer shall notify the Department of Environmental Quality - Land Quality Division of any changes in responsible individuals.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Mineral(s) to be Explored: \_\_\_\_\_**

**4. Reclamation Cost Estimate, Appendix A:**

If the size of the discoverer's project justifies a bond other than \$10,000 for an exploration area, he shall complete the following estimate, prepared and itemized in accordance with established engineering principles, of the cost of accomplishing the reclamation of all lands affected during the first year by this exploration operation as follows (attach additional sheet, if necessary, as Appendix A):

- (a) Cost of plugging, capping and/or sealing per hole (W.S. §35-11-404): \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Cost of backfilling and/or contouring per hole: \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Cost of replacing topsoil per hole: \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) Cost of seed or seedings per hole: \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) Cost of planting per hole: \_\_\_\_\_

- (f) Cost of reclaiming roads (if any are constructed): \_\_\_\_\_
- (g) Miscellaneous Costs (e.g. fence, culvert removal, mulching, etc.)  
per hole: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL RECLAMATION COST PER HOLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of holes to be drilled: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL COST OF RECLAMATION FOR ALL LANDS AFFECTED UNDER THIS NOTIFICATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

5. The discoverer hereby posts a bond to assure and secure performances of the discoverer's obligations to Chapter 8 of the Wyoming Land Quality Noncoal Rules and Regulations in the amount of, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the exploration areas described below:

6. As required by the Cooperative Agreement between the State of Wyoming and Bureau of Land Management (43 CFR 3809) relative to locatable Federal minerals and W.S. §35-11-404 (a), indicate ownership by checking the appropriate boxes:

<u>Surface Ownership</u>		<u>Mineral Ownership</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Federal	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	State of Wyoming	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Private	<input type="checkbox"/>

If Federal Surface is involved, locate lands by Township, Range, and Section as required by Federal Land Management Policy Act of 1976 and 43 CFR 3809 Regs. Add additional sheets if necessary.

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7. Disposal of Dangerous Material: All acid-forming or toxic materials or materials constituting a fire, health or safety hazard uncovered during or created by the exploration process will be promptly treated or disposed of during the exploration.

8. The discoverer shall allow the Director, the Administrator and/or his authorized representatives, at reasonable times and upon presentation of appropriate credentials, to enter upon and have access to any and all lands covered by this notification and amendments thereto and to inspect and copy any records or documents, obtain or monitor any samples or sampling, for any activities associated with the operation and notification

9. **Reporting Requirements:**

As required by W.S. §35-11-404(d), and (e), a report, in duplicate, containing the information indicated below will be submitted to the Land Quality Division and the State Engineer within twelve months after the drill holes have been capped, sealed, and/or plugged. Reports shall be confidential for a period of five years from the date of filing, and that period maybe extended upon request under W.S. §35-11-404(e). If artesian holes are encountered, this report including the flow rate is due within 60 days of the completion of the hole:

- (a) Name and Address of discoverer.
- (b) Drilling Notification Number.
- (c) Original USGS Quad or other maps in duplicate, of adequate detail depicting the following:
  - (i) Outline of the general area of activity.
  - (ii) Approximate location of all unimproved entry routes, constructed access roads, temporary roads and drill hole locations.
- (d) A tabulated listing of the drill holes showing:
  - (i) The locations of each drill hole, utilizing Wyoming state plane coordinates, (or to the nearest 200 feet for artesian holes).
  - (ii) The total depth of each drill hole.
  - (iii) Methods of capping, sealing and/or plugging for each drill hole.
  - (iv) Indicate Surface Ownership (Federal, State, or Private) for each drill hole location.
- (e) Description of the nature and extent of disturbances, and a description of the reclamation of those locations indicated in (c) above.
- (f) Tabulation of the following:
  - (i) Seed mixture used.
  - (ii) Method and date of seeding.
  - (iii) Location(s) where seed mixture was used.

Signature of Discoverer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(use blue ink only)

Typed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Signatory Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Land Quality Division Administrator