Response to Comments

for

Department of Environmental Conservation

Waste Management Permit No. 2024DB0001

and

Department of Natural Resources

Plan of Operations Approval No. F20249500POOA

Reclamation Plan Approval No. F20249500RPA

Northern Star Resources Limited Pogo Mine

Public Noticed March 15, 2024 - April 13, 2024

April 19, 2024

Introduction

The public notice started March 15, 2024.

The public notice ended after April 13, 2024.

Pogo Mine is an underground gold mine that has been in production since 2006. The mine produces approximately 3,000 tons of ore per day. An onsite mill processes the ore producing around 280,000 to 350,000 ounces of gold annually. Facilities consist of the underground mine, a surface gold mill, a drystack tailings facility, two man-camps, and road access.

This document summarizes and addresses comments received on Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), draft Waste Management Permit (WMP) No. 2024DB0001, Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR), draft Plan of Operations Approval No. F20249500POOA, and draft DNR, draft Reclamation Plan Approval (RPA) No. F20249500RPA.

The public comment period for the draft authorizations lasted 30 days beginning on March 15, 2024 and ending after April 13, 2024.

Comment Overview and General Comments

No substantive comments directed at the DEC or DNR draft authorizations were received.