Responses to ADF&G Comments on the Draft Non-time Critical Action Memo, Red Devil Mine

Comment 1. P. 1, Paragraph 2. Add Seward Meridian to end of the first sentence (...T19N, R44W, Section 6, Seward Meridian.).

Response 1. The location of the site will be revised as follows:

The RDM is approximately 250 air miles west and 1,500 marine/river barge miles from Anchorage, Alaska. The mine site was established on the southwest bank of the Kuskokwim River approximately 2 miles from the village of Red Devil, and approximately 8 miles from the village of Sleetmute. The Red Devil mine is generally located on the Kuskokwim River in Township 19 North, Range 44 West, within the southwest quarter of Section 5, southeast quarter of Section 6, northeast quarter section 7 and northwest quarter of section 8, Sleetmute D-4, Seward Meridian. The site encompasses the areal extent of contamination and all suitable areas in very close proximity to the contamination necessary for implementation of the response action.

Comment 2. P. 1, Paragraph 2. Add a period after “Approximately 25 full time residents inhabit the village of Red Devil.”

Response 2. Agreed. The change will be made.

Comment 3. P. 10, Paragraph 1. Add a period to the last sentence.

Response 3. Understood. The change will be made.

Comment 4. P. 10, Paragraph 4. Will the sediment trap be installed in the dry as well?

Response 4. The sediment trap will be installed using dry excavation methods. The text will be modified.

Comment 5. P. 10, Paragraph 6. The first sentence should read “Standard construction equipment will be used to remove sediment and load the material for transport to the temporary stockpile.”

Response 5. Agreed. The change will be made.

Comment 6. P. 12, Under project schedule it states that the project is anticipated for 2015. Shouldn’t this be 2014?

Response 6. Correct, the anticipated start date is 2014. The change will be made.