April 24, 2015

TO: ALL OWNERS OF MINING OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: SURFACE MINING AND RECLAMATION ACT (SMARA) MINING OPERATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE 2014 REPORTING PERIOD DUE JULY 1, 2015

This is a courtesy notice to owners and operators with mining operations in California that the 2014 Mining Operation Annual Report (MRRC-2) is due to be received by the Department of Conservation no later than July 1, 2015 (Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 2207). This notice also directs owners and operators to the location of the forms and instructions necessary to complete the report.

Furthermore, the MRRC-2 form must also be completed and filed with the lead agency of jurisdiction, typically a county or city, by July 1, 2015.

Lastly, this notice serves as a reminder that the associated Annual Reporting Fee is likewise due to the Department of Conservations Office of Mine Reclamation by July 1, 2015, pursuant to the 2014 Fee Schedule adopted by the State Mining and Geology Board (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 2, Chapter 8, Section 3695 et seq.) on April 9, 2015.

Regardless of the status of your mining operation, an Annual Report and applicable reporting fees must be submitted for each mining operation until reclamation is certified complete by both your lead agency and this Office. As required by law, all information requested on the form must be submitted, along with the reporting fee, for the form to be considered complete and timely.

For your ease of access and use, beginning May 1, 2015, the 2014 MRRC-2 form and instructions will be available electronically in a “fill and print” version on the Department’s website at:

www.conservation.ca.gov/omr/SMARA%20Mines/Pages/quarterly_reports.aspx

If there is difficulty in accessing the Annual Report form via this website, please contact this Office at (916) 323-9198. You may request paper copy of the form from this Office. Please
allow sufficient time to request and receive the mailed form to meet the July 1, 2015 filing deadline.

A completed 2014 Mining Operation Annual Report form, required attachments, and appropriate annual reporting fee, in the form of a check or money order made payable to the Department of Conservation/OMR must be received by the Department or postmarked on or before July 1, 2015, at the following address:

ATTN:  Reporting and Records Unit  
Office of Mine Reclamation  
Department of Conservation  
801 K Street, MS 09-06  
Sacramento, CA  95814-3529

Finally, please be aware late submittal of the MRRC-2 and reporting fee will result in the assessment of a penalty of not less than $100 or 10 percent of the total amount due, whichever is greater, plus interest at the rate of 1-1/2 percent per month per PRC Section 2207(d).

If you have any questions, need additional report forms, or would like clarification regarding the annual reporting requirements, please contact the OMR Reporting and Records Unit by email at OMR-Reporting@conservation.ca.gov, or at the address above, or by phone at (916) 323-9198.

Sincerely,
Debby Mayberry, Manager  
Reporting and Records Unit

cc:  Designated Agent