

DNR Mining Rent Revision
June 21, 2019 PROPOSED REGULATIONS
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
As of June 26, 2019

Question: Is the increase is entirely an inflation adjustment?

Answer: Yes, the mining rent revision has been proposed in accordance with AS 38.05.211(d) using the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, Anchorage Metropolitan Area (Semi-Annual Average) compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor, as revised, rebased, or replaced by that bureau, or its available equivalent from the same agency. The final rental amounts will be set using first half semi-annual average due to be released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics after July 1, 2019.

Question: How many prospecting sites does the state have, and how many rentals/mining claims are affected by this revision. How many folks this will affect?

Answer: On state-owned lands subject to state mining rentals, there are currently approximately 138 prospecting sites, approximately 32,231 mining claims/leasehold locations, and approximately 123 mining leases. DNR estimates that there are approximately 1,300 separate owners of these mining interests counting lone persons, organizations or groups of persons/organizations as one owner. These numbers can change on a daily basis.