

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Mining, Land and Water
Water Resources Section

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APPLICATION FOR WATER RIGHT

LAS # 36201
 (For ADNR Use Only)

CID # 53643
 (For ADNR Use Only)

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete one application for each water source. **Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**
2. Attach a copy of an executed deed, lease agreement, or other possessory interest document for property where water will be used (applicant must own, lease, or obtain written authorization to use water on property).
3. Attach copy of legal access document (i.e. right-of-way, easement, permit) or application for legal access to water withdrawal point and transport route, if applicable, or copy of request or application for legal access to water withdrawal point.
4. Attach driller's well log for drilled wells (if already drilled and available).
5. Attach sketch, photos, plans of water system, or project description (if applicable).
6. Attach legible map that includes Meridian, Township, Range, and Section lines such as a subdivision Plat, USGS topographical quadrangle, or borough tax map. Indicate location of water withdrawal, route of water transmission water use area boundary, points of water use within boundary, and point of water return flow (if applicable).
7. Attach copy of approved ADEC Water and Wastewater system certificate (if applicable).
8. Attach copy of ADF&G Fish Habitat Permit (if applicable).
9. Attach completed and notarized Statement of Beneficial Use of Water form and associated fee if water system and water use are fully developed.
10. **Submit the non-refundable fee (see page 4).**

APPLICANT INFORMATION: *ENTITY LTR*
 AURQUEST ALASKA INC. *136154*

Ronald Alan Brooks, Agent for Aurquest AK Inc.

Organization Name (if applicable)
~~ROBERT P. SALNA~~

Agent or Consultant Name and Title (if applicable)

Individual Applicant Name (if applicable)
 64 Industrial Avenue

Individual Co-applicant Name (if applicable)
 Richmond Hill, Ontario, L4C2Y1, CANADA

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 647-885-0792

City

State

Zip Code

907-371-3739

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 ronald.alan.brooks@gmail.com

Fax Number (if applicable)

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PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS:

Location of Water Use See attached location map							
Subdivision Name or Survey Number	Lot, Block, or Tract	Meridian	Township	Range	Section	Quarter Sections	
USMS 670, USMS 1210 and Gertrude Subdivision, Tract A		Kateel River	11S	33W	18	NW ^{QQ} & SW ^{1/4}	Q ^{1/4}
Location of Water Source							
Subdivision Name or Survey Number	Lot, Block, or Tract	Meridian	Township	Range	Section	Quarter Sections	
USMS 670 No.3 Laura Placer 6 acre settling pond		Kateel River	11S	33W	18	SW ^{QQ} ^{1/4}	Q ^{1/4}
Location of Water Return Flow or Discharge (if applicable)							
Geographic Name of Water Body or Well Depth		Meridian	Township	Range	Section	Quarter Sections	
Un-named Laura Gulch diversion ditch flowing to Dredge 5 pond on Dry Creek.		Kateel River	11S	33W	18	NW ^{QQ} ^{1/4}	Q ^{1/4}

WATER SOURCE DESCRIPTION:

Ground Water				
Type (e.g. drilled, dug)	Total Depth (in feet)	Static Water Level (in feet)	Date Completed	Well Yield (in gpm)
Mine cut seepage	average 117 ft	10 - 15 ft		
Surface Water				
Type (e.g. stream, lake, spring)		Geographic Name (if named)		
100% RECYCLE SETTLING POND				

METHOD OF TAKING WATER (if known):

Pump	Pump Intake	10 x 10	Inches	Hours Working	24	Hours/Day
	Pump Output	10,000	GPM	Length of Pipe	~2,500	Feet (from pump to point of use)
Gravity	Pipe Diameter		Inches	Length of Pipe		Feet (take point to point of use)
	Head		Feet	Diversion Rate		☐ GPM or ☐ CFS
Ditch	L		D		W	Feet
				Diversion Rate		☐ GPM or ☐ CFS
Reservoir	L		D		W	Feet
				Water Storage		AF
Dam	L		H		W	Feet
				Water Storage		AF

REFERENCES:

Measurement Units

GPD = gallons per day

CFS = cubic feet per second

AFD = acre-feet per day (325,851 gallons/day)

GPM = gallons per minute

AF = acre-feet

MGD = million gallons per day

AFY = acre-feet per year (325,851 gallons/year)

AMOUNT OF WATER:

Type of Use	How Many		Standard Amounts		Total Amount Requested	Months of Use	
						Begin	End
Fully Plumbed Single-family Home (includes irrigation of 10,000 sq. ft.)	# _____ Homes	X	500 GPD	=			
Partially Plumbed Single-family Home (no hot water heater)	# _____ Homes	X	250 GPD	=			
Unplumbed Single-family Home (hand carry water)	# _____ Homes	X	75 GPD	=			
Duplex	# _____ Bldgs.	X	1,000 GPD	=			
Tri-plex and Larger Housing	# _____ Units	X	250 GPD	=			
Motel or Resort	# _____ Rooms	X	150 GPD	=			
Work Camps	# _____ People	X	50 GPD	=			
Domestic Irrigation	# _____ Sq. ft.	X	250 GPD per 10,000 Sq. ft.	=			
Non-domestic Irrigation	# _____ Acres	X	0.5 AFY	=			
Other Water Uses							
Type of Use	How Many		Amount		Total Amount Requested	Months of Use	
						Begin	End
PLACER GOLD MINING	1	X	10,000 GPM, 24 hrs	=	14,400,000 GPD	MAY 1	OCT 31
RECIRCULATION		X		=			
Type of Use					Total Amount Requested	Months of Use	
						Begin	End
Makeup water loss in settling pond & sluice processing water					10,000 GPM	4/1	11/30

Expected date for water system and water use to be fully developed **or** date when existing use started 7/15/2026

Note: Pursuant to AS 46.15.180(a)(1). Crimes, a person may not construct works for an appropriation, or divert, impound, withdraw, or use a significant amount of water from any source without a permit, certificate of appropriation, or authorization issued under this chapter.

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION:

The information presented in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that per 11 AAC 93.040 and 11 AAC 93.050 additional information may be required by the department to adjudicate this application. Failure to provide requested information could result in this file being closed.

R. Sela
Signature

June 9, 2026
Date

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL USE OF WATER

Is your water source and water use **FULLY** developed at this time? YES ☐ NO ☒ If no, SKIP THIS SECTION.
If yes, sign the following statement of use.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the above is a true and accurate statement of the extent to which the above water use has been fully developed and am using the stated quantity of water.



Signature

June 9, 2026

Date

11 AAC 93.040 sets out the required information on an application for a water right. AS 38.05.035(a) authorizes the director to decide what information is needed to process an application for the sale or use of state land and resources. This information is made a part of the state public land records and becomes public information under AS 40.25.110 and 40.25.120 (unless the information qualifies for confidentiality under AS 38.05.035(a)(8) and confidentiality is requested, AS 43.05.230, or AS 45.48). Public information is open to inspection by you or any member of the public. A person who is the subject of the information may challenge its accuracy or completeness under AS 44.99.310, by giving a written description of the challenged information, the changes needed to correct it, and a name and address where the person can be reached. False statements made in an application for a benefit are punishable under AS 11.56.210. In submitting this form, the applicant agrees with the Department to use "electronic" means to conduct "transactions" (as those terms are used in the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, AS 09.80.010 - AS 09.80.195) that relate to this form and that the Department need not retain the original paper form of this record: the department may retain this record as an electronic record and destroy the original.

FEE REQUIRED BY REGULATION 11 AAC 05.260 (INCLUDES \$50 STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL USE FEE):

Make checks payable to "Alaska Department of Natural Resources"

- **\$150** for one single-family residence or duplex, or for water use associated with one single-family residence or duplex.
- **\$1,550** for up to 60 hours of staff time, for activities related to oil and gas and associated substances.
- **\$1,550** for up to 60 hours of staff time, for activities related to locatable mining.
- **\$1,550** for up to 60 hours of staff time, for hydroelectric power generation capacity greater than 100 kilowatts.
- **\$1,550** for up to 60 hours of staff time, for water removal out of a hydrologic unit under AS 46.15.035 or 46.15.037.
- **\$300** for 5,000 GPD or less for a use not listed above.
- **\$615** for greater than 5,000 GPD and no more than 30,000 GPD for a use not listed above.
- **\$740** for greater than 30,000 GPD and no more than 100,000 GPD for a use not listed above.
- **\$1,175** for greater than 100,000 GPD for a use not listed above.

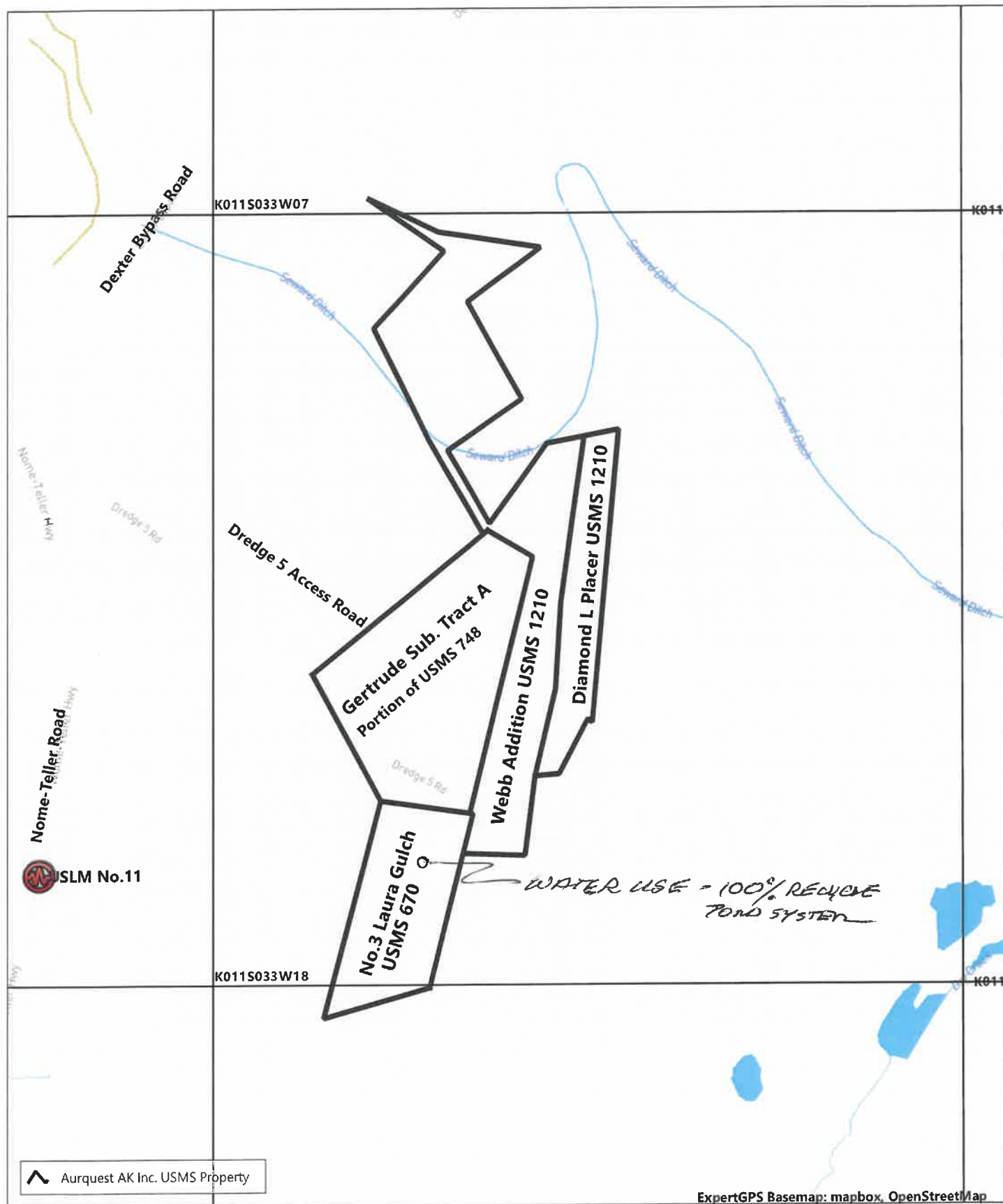
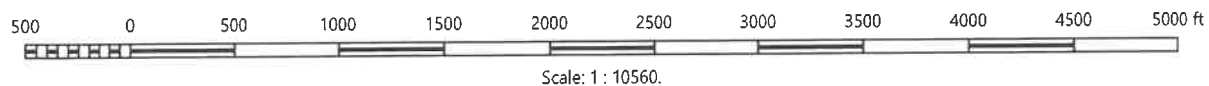


Figure 2.0 OverviewTHIRD BEACH PLACER MINE PROPERTIES, Kateel River Meridian, T11S R33W Sections 7, 18, & 19, Cape Nome Mining District, USGS Nome C-1 Quad, Alaska



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WARRANTY DEED

GRANTOR, Arctic Gold Mining LLC, a Colorado limited liability company authorized to do business in Alaska, whose address is P. O. Box 5113, Eagle, Colorado 81631, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby conveys and warrants to GRANTEE, Aurquest Alaska, Inc., an Alaska corporation, whose address is 64 Industrial Drive, Richmond, Ontario CANADA L4C2Y1, all of the right, title and interest in that real property, together with any and all rights appurtenant thereto, and more fully described as follows:

No. 3 Laura Gulch Placer Claim, a patented mining claim issued under the public land laws, comprising 19.969 acres more or less, and legally described as U.S. Mineral Survey 670, approved by the U.S. Surveyor General in Sitka Alaska on November 15, 1905. **Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District State of Alaska.**

GRANTOR hereby WARRANTS and REPRESENTS to GRANTEE and its successors, heirs and assigns as of the date hereof as follows:

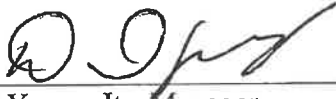
- (1) This Warranty Deed has been duly executed, acknowledged and delivered by GRANTOR;
- (2) This Warranty Deed constitutes a valid conveyance and the covenants and conditions set forth in this Warranty Deed are valid and binding upon GRANTOR in accordance with their terms; and
- (3) GRANTOR has no knowledge of any third party interests in or claims to any interest in the Property that may arise by, through or under GRANTOR:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, GRANTOR has caused this Special Warranty Deed to be executed.

DATED at Eagle, Colorado, this 12th day of 02, 2026

GRANTOR:

ARCTIC GOLD MINING LLC, a Colorado
Limited liability company

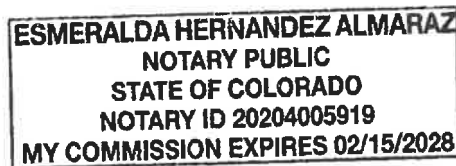
By: 
David Young; Its: Manager

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss.
Eagle COUNTY)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on the 12th day of February, 2026, before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for the State of Colorado, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared David Young, to me known and known to me as the Manager of Arctic Gold Mining LLC, a Colorado limited liability company described in the foregoing instrument, and that he acknowledged to me that he signed said instrument with actual authority on behalf of the Grantor, Arctic Gold Mining LLC.

WITNESS my hand and official seal the day, month and year in this certificate first written above.


Notary Public in and for Colorado.
My commission expires: 02/15/2028



AFTER RECORDATION RETURN TO:

Lawrence V. Albert
Attorney at Law
2246 N.W. Canyon Drive
Redmond, Oregon 97756



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Gertrude Subdivision, Tract A, comprising 37.997 acres more or less, according to Plat No. 2025-11 filed in the Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska on October 1, 2025

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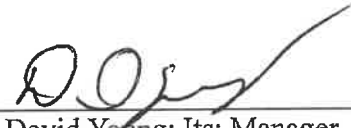
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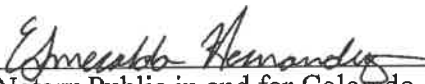
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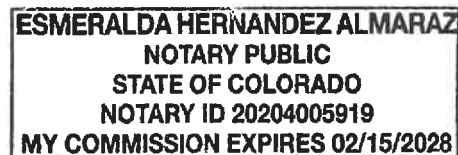
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