

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25610

Current statute allows for submittal of written mining exploration notifications to the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) by certified mail only. This legislation will allow for any type of written submission for mining exploration notifications, to include electronic and digitized formats. This change is needed to simplify processes for mining operators and to utilize the full functionality of a new Land Information Management system and permitting database with public interface portal being developed for IDL. This change will enhance IDL's customer service focus and allow for more efficient processing and distribution of exploration notifications.

FISCAL NOTE

Mining operators submitting exploration notifications will no longer be required to pay certified mail costs. This legislation will have no fiscal impact to the state as the same number of exploration notifications will still be processed by IDL, only through electronic receipt rather than hard-copy.

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