

## RESOLUTION NO. 056-2023

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

WHEREAS, County of El Dorado, Department of Transportation operates an open pit mine known as Somerset Mine for the purpose of mining decomposed granite which is used to control snow and ice conditions on the roads (Ref CA Mine I.D. 91-09-0009); and

WHEREAS, Section 2770 and 2773.1 of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 (Public Resources Code Section 2710 ET SEQ.) requires the surface mining operator to provide lead agencies with financial assurance for reclamation of mined sites; and

WHEREAS, such financial assurances may take the form of a pledge of revenue established by Resolution in accordance with 14 California Code of Regulations §3806.1; and

WHEREAS, this mine shall remain a valid aggregate source until at least the year 2028; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of El Dorado Planning Commission approved Reclamation Plan #94-01 on May 14, 1998, and the State Mining and Geology Board approved the financial assurance amount of \$198,411.66 on October 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, County of El Dorado, Department of Transportation is allocated gasoline tax revenue under Section 2106 of Streets and Highway Codes which is deposited into the Road Fund and is used for road related purposes and which shall be the source of the revenues pledged herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors, that \$190,000, and up to \$250,000, be used as a Pledge of Revenue for the purpose of reclamation of mined lands at the Somerset Mine, for a period of five (5) years from the effective date of this Resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that if the County of El Dorado, Department of Transportation ceases at any time to retain control of its ability to allocate any pledged revenue to conduct and complete reclamation, the Department shall notify the lead agency and the Department of Conservation and shall obtain alternative coverage within sixty (60) days after control lapses; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the State Mining and Geology Board, as lead agency, or the Department of Conservation may use the proceeds of said pledge to conduct and complete reclamation should the lead agency or the Department of Conservation determine that the operator is incapable of performing the reclamation covered in the pledge.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 11th day of April, 2023, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Thomas, Hidahl, Turnboo, Parlin, Laine

Attest: Kim Dawson

Noes: None Absent: None

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Chair, Board of Supervisors Wendy Thomas