

MISSOURI NATURAL RESOURCES TRUSTEE COUNCIL
ORONOGO-DUENWEG MINING BELT (JASPER COUNTY)
AND NEWTON COUNTY MINE TAILINGS SITES

RESOLUTION NO. TSMD-2015-003

The cooperating natural resource trustees for the Oronogo-Duenweg Mining Belt (Jasper County) and Newton County Mine Tailings Natural Resource Damage Assessments (the State of Missouri and the U.S. Department of the Interior) have consulted and determined that natural resource restoration implementation and monitoring for the Springfield Plateau should be funded as funds are available from the ASARCO LLC bankruptcy settlement.

We request a release of \$247,191 which will be used by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the State of Missouri, Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). The USFWS will use \$70,000 of the total to continue to identify potential restoration projects, release numerous Requests for Proposals (RFPs) as well as evaluate and select appropriate restoration projects using the RFP process laid out in the completed regional restoration plan, and \$4,000 will be distributed to the United States Geological Survey Columbia Environmental Research Center for metal analyses for the bio-solids pilot study. The Trustees expect to expend significant time on implementation of restoration projects during the State FY2016. The MDNR will use \$173,191 over the same time period to assist in the completion of the above described tasks.

This total amount shall be made up from a withdrawal from the following subaccounts from the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Fund:

Name of Site	NRDAR Account Number	Amount to be Transferred
Jasper County, MO	0586	\$168,236
Newton County Mine Tailings, MO	0603	\$78,955

The funds shall be allocated as follows:

USFWS – Columbia, Missouri Field Office (Not to Exceed) \$70,000

USGS- Columbia Environmental Research Center (Not to Exceed) \$4,000

Missouri Department of Natural Resources (Not to Exceed) \$173,191

The amounts for the USFWS, USGS and MDNR shall be distributed as soon as is practicable by the NRDAR Fund Manager.

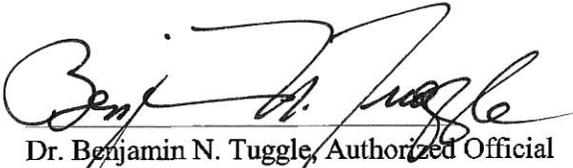
These funds are derived solely from the “Settlement Agreement Regarding the Tri-State Mining District Sites” captioned “IN RE: ASARCO LLC, ET AL, DEBTORS”, Case No.05-21207 Chapter 11, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (Corpus Christi Division). This Settlement Agreement was approved by the Court on February 4, 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Rielly at (573) 526-3353 or John Weber at (573) 234-2132 x 177.

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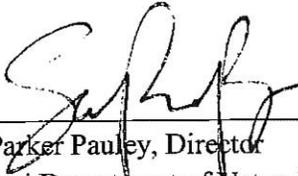
Dr. Benjamin N. Tuggle, Authorized Official
Regional Director, Region 2, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

8/26/2015
Date

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Sara Parker Pauley, Director
Missouri Department of Natural Resources

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Date