

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL
STATE OF WYOMING**

**In the Matter of the Bond Forfeiture)
Proceedings Against the Bond of) Docket No. 22-4502
In Re Twenty Mile, LLC)
LMO ET1314)**

BOND FORFEITURE ORDER

This matter comes before the Wyoming Environmental Quality Council on the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division’s Motion for forfeiture of Twenty Mile, LLC’s reclamation performance bond for Limited Mining Operation ET1314. The Council, having reviewed the motion and being otherwise fully informed, makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. Twenty Mile posted a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000.00) reclamation bond for ET1314, in the form of a \$10,000.00 Certificate of Deposit issued by American National Bank (Certificate of Deposit Number 8100707).
2. Under ET1314, Twenty Mile disturbed approximately 4.9 acres at a limited mining operation located at in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 11, Township 52 North, Range 75 W in Campbell County, Wyoming.
3. Twenty Mile has not engaged in mining at ET1314 since 2014. Twenty Mile submitted its last Annual Report for ET1314 in 2016.

4. Twenty Mile has not reclaimed any portion of the surface disturbance at ET1314.

5. On October 9, 2013, the Wyoming Secretary of State administratively dissolved Twenty Mile for delinquent taxes.

6. On January 20, 2022, the Department issued Twenty Mile a Notice of Violation for abandonment and failure to reclaim at ET1314 (Docket No. 6137-22).

7. The Council approved the Department's request to initiate bond forfeiture proceedings against Twenty Mile on June 14, 2022.

8. On June 21, 2022, the Attorney General's Office sent notice of forfeiture proceedings to Twenty Mile, and American National Bank by certified mail. The notice stated that the Council would enter an order forfeiting Twenty Mile's bond unless Twenty Mile requested a hearing within thirty days. Notice was also sent to the surface owner, and the Bureau of Land Management. Twenty Mile and American National Bank each received the notice.

9. Twenty Mile did not request a hearing before the Council.

10. The Department has satisfied all requirements for bond forfeiture pursuant to Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-11-421.

Therefore, the Council hereby orders that Reclamation Bond No. 8100707 in the amount of \$10,000.00 is forfeited to the Department for use by the Department to reclaim all lands affected by Twenty Mile, LLC at Limited Mining Operation No. ET1314.

Dated this 13 day of September, 2022.



John Corra, Chairman
Environmental Quality Council