

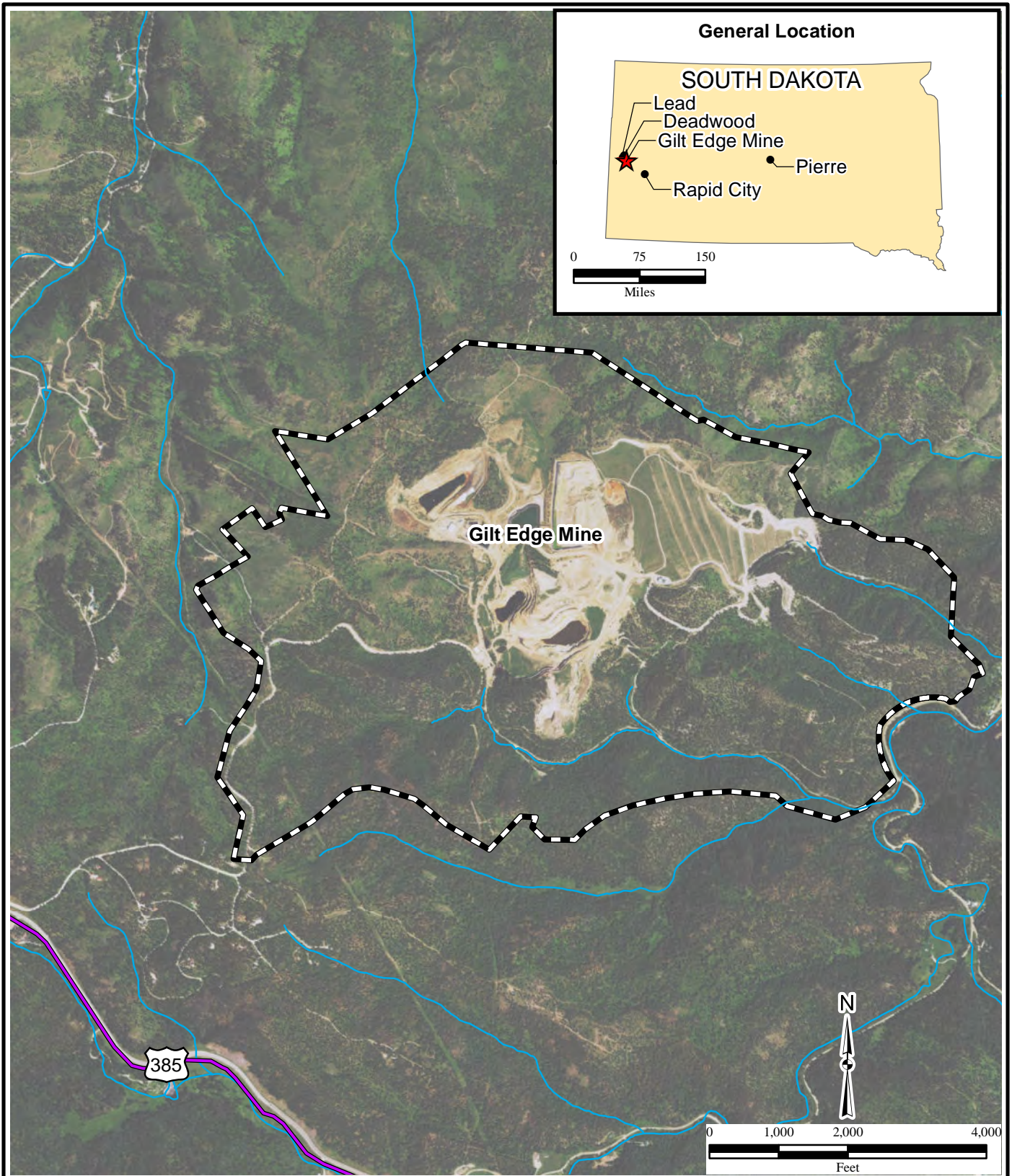
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**Appendix A**  
**Site Location Map**



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Legend

-  Site Location
-  Town
-  Highway
-  Surface Water Course
-  Gilt Edge Mine Site Boundary

**Figure 1.1**  
**Site Location**



Appendix B  
Statement of Work

## **Statement of Work for a Reuse Assessment for the Gilt Edge Mine Superfund Site**

### **I. Introduction**

- A. This Statement of Work (SOW) is Appendix B to the Administrative Settlement Agreement for Reuse Assessment and Payment of Response Costs by Prospective Lessee (Settlement) between the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the State of South Dakota (State), and Agnico Eagle Mines Limited, and its wholly owned subsidiary Agnico Eagle (USA) Limited (collectively Lessee). The purpose and objective of the work described by this SOW is to evaluate an alternative future use of the Gilt Edge Mine Superfund Site (Site) that would involve re-mining. Lessee shall undertake the actions required by this SOW in accordance with the Settlement.
- B. Terms used in this SOW shall have the meaning assigned to them in the Settlement. If there is a conflict between this SOW and the Settlement, the Settlement shall control.
- C. Lessee shall perform a Reuse Assessment that will generally:
  - i. provide a summary of material economic and technical information concerning mineral exploration, development, production, and reclamation activities within the Site.
- D. The deliverables (Deliverables) to be prepared by Lessee are described in more detail in section II and include:
  - i. Reuse Assessment Work Plan (Work Plan); and
  - ii. Reuse Assessment Final Report

### **II. Work to be Performed**

- A. Community Involvement:
  - i. EPA has the lead responsibility for developing and implementing community involvement activities at the Site. EPA previously developed a Community Involvement Plan (CIP) for the Site. If requested by EPA, Lessee shall support EPA's community involvement activities.
  - ii. If EPA requests, Lessee shall assist EPA in the development of Fact Sheets and with any community meetings or other engagement. All community involvement activities conducted by Lessee at EPA's request are subject to EPA's oversight, review and approval. Notwithstanding, Lessee may directly perform community engagement activities as part of the Reuse Assessment. No less than 14 days before conducting any site visit related to Lessee's independent community engagement activities, Lessee shall coordinate with EPA and DANR.

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**B. Reuse Assessment Work Plan:**

- i. Lessee shall submit a Work Plan in accordance with the Settlement that includes:
  - a. Proposed ground disturbing investigations and associated infrastructure development within the Site. Investigations may include all activities defined as Exploration Operation[s] within South Dakota Codified Laws § 45-6C-3, access road and drill pad construction, exploration drilling, water well drilling, water testing and water resource monitoring, spent leach pad ore reprocessing assessment, borrow material investigation, and other reasonable practices consistent with industry practice for completing pre-feasibility studies (PFS) and feasibility studies. This component of the Work Plan will identify applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) and how Lessee will adhere to them.
  - b. Plan for Technical and Economic Assessment. The Technical and Economic Assessment will provide a summary of material economic, scientific, and technical information concerning mineral exploration, development, production, and reclamation activities within the Site. This assessment will be based on a PFS quality study consistent with customary industry standards that will be performed by Lessee.

The Work Plan shall include a schedule for completion and submission to EPA and DANR of each Deliverable outlined in the Work Plan.

**C. Progress Submittals**

i. Monthly Status Reports:

Lessee shall submit a written monthly progress report to EPA and the State in accordance with the Settlement.

ii. Monthly Calls / Meetings:

Lessee, EPA, and the State shall hold telephone or video conferences in accordance with the Settlement.

**D. Fieldwork Notice and Coordination**

The purpose of coordinating with EPA and the State is to make sure that Lessee's work locations will avoid Site infrastructure and EPA and State "areas of concern" and that work activities will not interfere with or disrupt EPA and its contractors' work. Coordination with EPA and the State will occur before completion and submission of the Work Plan and will continue after approval of Work Plan, as appropriate, to address change in circumstances from those presented in the relevant Work Plan.

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- E. Reuse Assessment Final Report
- i. Upon completion of those activities described in the Work Plan, Lessee shall submit a Reuse Assessment Final Report in accordance with the Settlement.
  - ii. The Final Report shall include discussion of:
    - a. Mineralization, mineral processing, and metallurgy for precious metals as well as for minerals and metals of national interest.
    - b. Market studies, capital and operating cost estimates, and economic analysis.
    - c. Environmental studies, permitting, and social or community impact.
    - d. Lessee's desire, if any, to engage in re-mining at the Site and intent, as applicable, to submit a proposal to EPA and the State to transition the Site from cleanup under Superfund to mining and reclamation under other regulatory authorities. This discussion will evaluate how Lessee's future plans will meet the OU1 surface remedy or remedial action objectives as appropriate.