

Miners: Help Defend Your Rights

In an effort to defend your rights as a miner, the Washington Prospectors Mining Association is assisting the Resource Coalition in gathering information to support the fact that miners do not harm fish in the rivers and streams of Washington State.

As new government rules and regulations continually restrict activities on our public lands in Washington State, it's time to stand up for your rights and inform the rule-makers about what really happens while mining and prospecting in the state's rivers and streams.

Please take the time to complete the attached form. Use the form for each river or stream location you have prospected on in Washington State, no matter how long ago it may have been. Use as many copies of the form (one form for each stream) as necessary.

The Resources Coalition is gathering this information to prove to the courts and state government regulators that miners do not kill fish eggs, fish fry or fish themselves while panning, sluicing and dredging in the streams and rivers of Washington State

When you have completed the form(s), please mail or email them to:

Resources Coalition - Miners' Declaration
c/o Bill Thomas
2130 E Parkway Dr,
Mount Vernon, WA 98273
pnwprospector@comcast.net

Thanks for your help in defending your rights as a miner.

DECLARATION AGAINST LIMITED IN-WATER WORK WINDOWS

1 Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2008

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3 I, _____, am a responsible small-scale miner and
4 have followed the laws of the State of _____ for _____ years.

5 During this time, using a standard _____-inch motorized suction dredge, I have never killed a fish,
6 nor dredged up fish eggs, nor harmed in any way fish eggs or fish fry in any streambed. These
7 experiences have included mining in the following areas at the following times:

8	9 Stream/River System/State <i>(be as precise as possible)</i>	10 Dates <i>(use entire range)</i>
11	_____	_____
12	_____	_____
13	_____	_____
14	_____	_____
15	_____	_____
16	_____	_____

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18 I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of _____
19 that the foregoing is true and correct.

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21 Signature _____

22 Name *(print)* _____

23 Address _____

24 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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