

**571—19.3(461A) Permit applications.** Applications shall be submitted to the department for nonexclusive or exclusive permits.

**19.3(1) Application procedures.** Applications shall be submitted on a form provided by the department and shall include the following:

- a.* A fee of \$100 for the cost of inspection and issuance of each permit.
- b.* A map of the specific area or segment of the river or stream to be included under the permit indicating the section, township, range, location of the processing plant and material stockpiles, the location shape, and size of existing or proposed tailing ponds for washing operations, and the method of material removal.
- c.* A statement certifying that, if necessary, access over privately owned land to the permit site has been secured by the applicant for the use of the department personnel for inspection purposes.

**19.3(2) Nonexclusive permits.** Applications for nonexclusive permits may be submitted, for the current calendar year, at any time. Nonexclusive permits are subject to issuance of exclusive permits. In the event an exclusive permit is issued for a site covered by an existing nonexclusive permit, the nonexclusive permit shall be terminated in the same manner as termination for cause.

**19.3(3) Exclusive permits.** Applications for exclusive permits may be submitted, for the current calendar year, at any time. Applications for exclusive permits for the following calendar year shall only be accepted after November 15. In the event an application is received for an area covered by an existing nonexclusive permit, the holder of the existing permit shall be notified within 20 days and invited to submit an application for an exclusive permit. If more than one application for an exclusive permit site is received, issuance will be determined by written sealed bids. Bids shall be based on royalty rates. Bids submitted with a royalty rate less than 25 cents per ton shall not be accepted. The permit shall be issued to the applicant submitting the highest royalty rate bid.

**19.3(4) Application approval.** Each application will be reviewed by the department and a permit shall be issued unless it is determined that the proposed activity will result in significant temporary or permanent ecological damage or result in significant adverse effects on public recreational use.

**19.3(5) Insurance.** Prior to issuance of permits, approved applicants shall provide the department a certificate of insurance, covering the entire permit term, to jointly and severally indemnify and hold harmless the state of Iowa, its agencies, officials and employees from and against all liability, loss, damage or expense which may arise in consequence of issuance of the permit.

**19.3(6) Surety bonds.** Prior to issuance of permits, approved applicants shall provide to the department a surety bond in the amount of \$5,000, covering the term of the permit. The surety bond shall guarantee payment to the state of Iowa for all material removed under the permit within 60 days after expiration of the permit, unless the permit holder renews the permit within 30 days of said expiration date, and for the recovery of any costs associated with reclamation or other environmental mitigation required as a condition of issued permits.