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Updated Mining Land Tenure Data Coming Soon!

As part of our ongoing efforts to bring you one of the most comprehensive mining land administration systems in the world, we are currently putting procedures in place to update lease, patent and Mining Licence of Occupation (MLO) data in MLAS so you can better manage your mining land tenures and associated transactions.

The following improvements are planned for implementation in early 2020:

Mining Leases:

- 10- and 21-year leases renewed after the launch of MLAS will be identified in the system. Exploration and consultation reserve credits remaining on the former lease will be moved over to the renewed lease;
- lease numbers will change each time a lease is renewed (expect to see a new lease number);
- lease numbers will be updated on the MLAS Map Viewer where applicable.
- leases will be updated to show their current status;
- any lease interest transfers that occurred after the launch of MLAS will reflect their new ownership;
- new 21-year leases issued after the launch of MLAS will be identified in the system;
- mining claims with a “*Requested for Lease*” status will be updated to “*Leased*” if the new lease has been issued. Any remaining exploration and consultation reserve credits on the mining claim(s) will be moved over to the new lease.

Mining Patents and Mining Licences of Occupation (MLO):

- mining patents liable to tax and MLOs added to the Ministry’s records after the launch of MLAS will be identified in the system;
- any patent or MLO interest transfers that occurred after the launch of MLAS will reflect their new ownership;
- Patents and MLOs will be updated to show their current status;

If you don’t know the associated ‘PAT’ number that refers to your mining patent(s), email us at mlas.ltau@ontario.ca to request this information.

Note: Patented lands that are not liable for Mining Land Tax (i.e. surface rights-only patents or mining and surface rights patents that are not being used for mining purposes) are not identified in MLAS with an associated 'PAT' number.

Updates Already in Place in MLAS:

- Leases, Patents and MLOs that have been terminated, forfeited or surrendered in accordance with the Mining Act show an 'open' status;
- Lessees and Assessment Work Managers can view approved exploration and consultation reserve credits on their mining land tenures along with the yearly distribution amounts.

What You Need to Know:

1. The Ministry's Mining Lands Section (MLS) maintains a database of mailing addresses for rent/tax billing purposes only. This database is not a public record and is not linked to MLAS; therefore, if you update your billing address in MLAS, don't forget to inform us by sending notice by fax at (705) 670-5863, email at mlas.ltau@ontario.ca or by mail at:

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Mining Lands Section - LTAU
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2. Report any discrepancies with mining land tenure ownership or status as well as missing or incorrect data. Please note that mining land tenure data viewed from the MLAS Map Viewer contains limited details at this time.
3. PIN numbers, title documents and registered instruments affecting ownership and interests relating to mining patents and mining leases can be obtained from Land Registry Offices located throughout Ontario.
4. More frequent updates to mining land tenure data are planned in the future.

For More Information

If you have any questions about these updates call the Mining Lands Section at 1-888-415-9845 or email us at mlas.ltau@ontario.ca.