ORDINANCE NO. 1832

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7.36.1185, INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLANS, TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SUCCESSIVE FIVE-YEAR RENEWAL TERMS FOR INTERIM MANAGEMENT PLANS FROM TWO (2) TO THREE (3), CONSISTENT WITH THE CA SURFACE MINING AND RECLAMATION ACT.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador ordains as follows:

SECTION I. Legislative findings.

- 1. Pursuant to Public Resources Code 2711(a), the California Legislature found and declared that the extraction of minerals is essential to the continued economic well-being of the state and to the needs of society, and the reclamation of mined lands is necessary to prevent or minimize adverse effects on the environment and to protect the public health and safety.
- 2. The reclamation of mined lands that will be disturbed in the foreseeable future is impractical.
- 3. This ordinance is intended to extend the length of time that surface mines can remain in idle status without beginning formal reclamation of areas that will be disturbed in the foreseeable future.

SECTION II. County Code Chapter 7.36.185, Interim Management Plans, is hereby amended as follows:

7.36.185.E: The IMP may remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years, at which time the planning commission may renew the IMP for another period not to exceed five years, which may be renewed for one additional five-year period at the expiration of the first five-year renewal period or require the surface mining operator to commence reclamation in accordance with its approved reclamation plan.

SECTION III. A summary of this ordinance shall be published within fifteen days after the date hereof in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the County of Amador, State of California, and shall become effective thirty days after the date hereof.

The foregoing ordinance was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 28th day of March 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

Jeff Brown, Brian Oneto, Patrick Crew, Richard Forster

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Frank Axe

Jeffrey Brown, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the

Board of Supervisors, Amador County, California

Deputy