

Associate Geologist

Overview of Property

The Greens Creek Mine, located on Admiralty Island, 18 miles south of Juneau, is an underground polymetallic mine employing approximately 320 people. The mine is owned and operated by Hecla Mining Company, headquartered in Coeur D'Alene, Idaho. Established in 1891, Hecla has a rich history as a distinguished and respected precious metals producer. Winner of numerous safety and environmental awards, Greens Creek is seeking new team members committed to professional growth and success.

Health & Welfare Benefits

Greens Creek is pleased to offer competitive compensation and a comprehensive and flexible benefit plan to provide Health and Welfare, and income protection coverage for employees and their eligible dependents. Employees can customize their benefit plans to the level of coverage desired as well as to the needs of their dependents. In addition to the flexible coverage options, the company makes a significant contribution towards the cost of the benefits.

Community

Juneau, Alaska's capital is the third largest city in the state. Like Alaska, Juneau is full of contrasts, a sophisticated cosmopolitan city in the heart of the Tongass National Forest. Nestled at the base of mountains overlooking the Gastineau Channel, Juneau is surrounded by intercoastal waterways, lush rain forests, rugged mountainsides and awe-inspiring glaciers. This small city has it all, the adventure of the "last frontier" as well as good education system, year round cultural and sports activities, a wide variety of entertainment, world class fishing and wildlife viewing, temperate weather and a strong sense of community. Juneau is also rich in mining history and Greens Creek is proud to contribute to that heritage by operating in a safe and environmentally responsible manner.

Position Summary

This an entry-level geology position within the Exploration Group that will primarily be assigned to core logging duties in the underground drilling and exploration program. As such, they will use established procedures to visually inspect and log underground diamond drill core including collection of lithologic, alteration, structural and geotechnical data; delineate sample areas and enter data into the geologic database. During the summer exploration season, this position will also be assigned to core logging and helicopter-supported geochemical sampling and reconnaissance mapping activities in the Surface Exploration program.

Essential Functions & Responsibilities of the Position:

- Logs and interprets diamond drill core.
- Posting of drill results onto plan and section maps.
- Database entry of geologic data from diamond drill cores.
- Communicate with diamond drill contractor on a daily basis in regard to status of drilling and execution of drill plans.
- Complete safety and environmental inspections of underground and surface drill sites.
- Communicates status of drilling activities to Mine Technical and Mine Operations staff.
- Perform remote fieldwork including soil sampling, ground geo-physics and geologic mapping.
- Data entry and database management using ArcGIS, Geosoft Target, and acQuire software.
- Assist in training of geologic and other contractors involved in the exploration and drilling programs.
- Prepares appropriate paperwork, written and verbal reports relating to work activities and concerns.
- Complies with attendance, safety, environmental and HR policies.
- Demonstrates required behavioral skills including productive communication, cooperation, productivity, initiative, creativity, dependability.
- Ability to operate forklift, pick-up truck, and standard transmission utility tractor as well as travel by helicopter to remote field sites.

Other duties may be assigned.

Employees must comply with attendance, safety, environmental and HR policies. Successful candidate must demonstrate the following behavioral skills: productive communication, cooperation, productivity, initiative, creativity, dependability.

While performing the duties of this job, employees may be frequently required to stand, walk or sit for extended periods of time; use hand and fingers to handle or feel; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; regularly required to talk and hear. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 50 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 75 pounds. Specific vision requirements for this job include close vision, distance vision, and the ability to adjust focus.

Employees may be frequently exposed to underground work environments; outside weather conditions, wet and/or humid conditions; extreme cold, extreme heat, potentially hazardous wildlife; moving mechanical parts; high precarious places; fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals;

risk of electrical shock; explosives and vibration. The noise level in most work environments is usually very loud. This position may require work on nights, weekends and rotating shifts; shift schedules may require residency in on-island camp during work rotations.

Minimum Education Requirements (*must be documented in application for consideration*)

BS in geology or related field from a four-year college or university; and/or equivalent combination of education and experience.

Minimum Experience Requirements (*must be documented in application for consideration*)

At least one year experience in exploration or mining geology preferred, preferably underground.

Training or Special Skills (*must be documented in application*)

Familiar with Microsoft and AutoCAD software. Knowledge of AcQuire or equivalent database management software ; familiar with core drilling methods.

Applications & Resumes

Pay is based on experience and includes a competitive benefits program. Applicants must possess current authorization to work in the United States. Resumes are welcome but **must be attached to an official application form**. Application forms can be obtained from Juneau Job Center or at http://www.hecla-mining.com/hmc_corp_employment.html and completed applications should be forwarded to:

**Juneau Job Center
10002 Glacier Hwy #200
Juneau, Alaska 99801
Phone : 907.465.4562
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