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93.221 [Repealed, 1989 c 335 art 4 s 109]

93.222 TACONITE IRON ORE SPECIAL ADVANCE ROYALTY ACCOUNT.

The taconite iron ore special advance royalty account is created as an account in the state treasury for disposal of certain mineral lease money received under the terms of extension agreements adopted under section 93.193, relating to state iron ore or taconite iron ore mining leases. The principal of the account is distributed under the terms of the extension agreements to the account or entity entitled by applicable law and lease terms to receive the income from the class of land being leased. Interest accruing from investment of the account remains with the account until distributed as provided in this section. The interest accrued through June 30 under each extension agreement is distributed annually, as soon as possible after June 30, to the account or entity entitled by applicable law and lease terms to receive the income from the class of land being leased in the same proportion that the total acres included in a particular class of land bears to the total acreage of the leased land covered by each extension agreement. Money in the taconite iron ore special advance royalty account is appropriated for distribution as provided in this section.

History: 1989 c 335 art 1 s 80

93.335 STATE LANDS, MINERALS, MINERAL RIGHTS ACQUIRED UNDER TAX LAWS.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.1988]

Subd. 4. Rental and royalties, annual distribution; appropriation. If the lands or minerals and mineral rights covered by any such permit or lease are held by the state in trust for the taxing districts, the rentals and royalties paid under any such permit or lease shall be distributed annually by the commissioner of finance on the first day of September as follows: 20 percent to the general fund and 80 percent to the respective counties in which the lands lie, to be apportioned among the taxing districts interested therein as follows: county, three-ninths; town, or city, two-ninths; and school district, four-ninths.

There is hereby appropriated from such moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated to such persons or political subdivisions as are entitled to payment herein, an amount sufficient to make the payment.

[For text of subd 5, see M.S. 1988]

History: 1989 c 335 art 4 s 30

93.41 STATE OWNED IRON-BEARING MATERIALS.

Subdivision 1. Use for road construction and other purposes. In case the commissioner of natural resources shall determine that any paint rock, taconite, or other iron-bearing material belonging to the state and containing not more than 45 percent dried iron by analysis is needed and suitable for use in the construction or maintenance of any road, tailings basin, settling basin, dike, dam, bank fill, or other works on public or private property, and that such use would be in the best interests of the public, the

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commissioner may authorize the disposal of such material therefor as hereinafter provided.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S. 1988]

History: 1989 c 116 s 1

93.55 FAILURE TO FILE OR REFILE; FORFEITURE AFTER NOTICE AND HEARING; LEASING; RECOVERY OF FAIR MARKET VALUE OF FORFEITED INTEREST.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.1988]

Subd. 4. After the mineral interest has forfeited to the state pursuant to this section, a person claiming an ownership interest before the forfeiture may recover the fair market value of the interest, either: (1) as an alternative claim raised in the hearing on the order to show cause why the mineral interest should not forfeit absolutely, with fair market value to be determined and paid as provided in this subdivision, or (2) in a separate action brought as follows. An action may be commenced within six years after entry of judgment under this section to determine the ownership and the fair market value of the mineral interests in the property both at the time of forfeiture and at the time of bringing the action. The action shall be brought in the manner provided in chapter 559, for an action to determine adverse claims, to the extent applicable. The person bringing the action shall serve notice of the action on the commissioner of natural resources in the same manner as is provided for service of notice of the action on a defendant. The commissioner may appear and contest the allegations of ownership and value in the same manner as a defendant in such actions. Persons determined by the court to be owners of the interests at the time of forfeiture to the state under this section may present to the commissioner of finance a verified claim for refund of the fair market value of the interest. A copy of the court's decree shall be attached to the claim. Thereupon the commissioner of finance shall refund to the claimant the fair market value at the time of forfeiture, which is the expiration of the period within which tax forfeiture would not have been possible had the mineral interest been properly and timely filed for record under section 93.52, or at the time of bringing the action, whichever is lesser, less any taxes, penalties, costs, and interest which could have been collected during the period following the forfeiture under this section, had the interest in minerals been valued and assessed for tax purposes at the time of forfeiture under this section. There is appropriated from the general fund to the persons entitled to a refund an amount sufficient to pay the refund.

[For text of subd 5, see M.S.1988]

History: 1989 c 277 art 2 s 2