

NOTICE

MINING CLAIM FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR 2025 Assessment Year

*** NEW FEES ***

If you hold unpatented mining claims or sites on Federal lands, your annual maintenance fee payments or maintenance fee waiver certification, Form 3830-2, (waiver) are due on or before September 3, 2024, (September 1 is a Sunday and September 2 is a Federal holiday) **in the BLM Colorado State Office**. Failure to timely pay the fee or file a qualifying waiver in the proper BLM office will subject your claims or sites to forfeiture by operation of law.

Increases Effective for 2025 Assessment Year

- **Final Rule Publication:** Published in the Federal Register on July 1, 2024 ([89 FR 54364](#)).
- **New Maintenance Fees:**
 - Lode claim, mill site, or tunnel site: \$200 per claim/site.
 - Placer claims: \$200 for each 20 acres or portion thereof (e.g., a 70-acre placer claim requires an \$800 fee).

Fees for Claims/Sites Located Before September 1, 2024

- **Old Fees:** \$40 location fee and \$165 initial maintenance fee for the 2024 assessment year (plus \$25 processing fee).

Fees for Claims/Sites Located On or After September 1, 2024

- **New Fees:** \$49 location fee, \$200 initial maintenance fee for the 2025 assessment year (plus \$25 processing fee).

Additional Payment Requirements

- **Adjustment for Previously Paid Fees:** If you have already paid at the old rate (\$165), you will receive a notice to pay the additional amount within 30 days. Failure to pay will result in forfeiture.

Payment Options

- **Mineral & Land Records System (MLRS):** Pay online via MLRS using a credit card, debit card, or ACH payment.
 - [MLRS Payment Portal](#)
 - **Credit Card Limit:** \$24,999.99 (No limit for debit card or ACH payments).
- **In Person:** Pay at the Andy Senti Public Lands Information Center (BLM Colorado State Office Public Room).
 - Physical Address: Denver Federal Center Building 1A, Lakewood, CO 80215.
- **By mail at:**
 - United States Postal Service: PO Box 151029, Lakewood, CO 80215
 - Federal Express (FedEx): Denver Federal Center, Building 40, Door 4-W, Lakewood, CO 80225