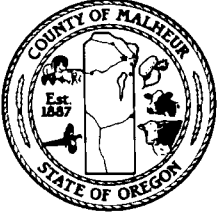




I, Gayle V. Trotter, County Clerk for Malheur County,
Oregon certify that the instrument identified herein was
recorded in the Clerk records.

Gayle V. Trotter - County Clerk



MALHEUR COUNTY

COUNTY COURT

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August 6, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Malheur County Court, we write to express our support for the Grassy Mountain Mine project located in Malheur County, Oregon.

The Grassy Mountain Mine presents an unprecedented opportunity for our region—one that promises to bring meaningful economic development, family-wage jobs, and critical revenue to our rural communities, while upholding rigorous environmental and safety standards.

Malheur County has long struggled with limited economic opportunity and a narrow employment base. The Grassy Mountain project offers a responsible path forward by introducing a new industry that complements our agricultural heritage while significantly boosting our local economy. The project is projected to create more than 100 direct jobs, as well as many more indirect jobs across supporting sectors such as construction, transportation, hospitality, and equipment services. These are the types of long-term, well-paying jobs that help sustain families and communities.

We are also encouraged by the thorough permitting and regulatory process the project has undergone at both the state and federal levels. Paramount Gold has demonstrated a consistent willingness to work with regulators, stakeholders, and local leaders to address concerns and ensure transparency throughout the process. The underground mining approach being proposed limits surface impacts and reflects a modern and environmentally responsible development model.

This is a crucial moment for our county. The responsible development of our natural resources—when done with care, accountability, and collaboration—can be a powerful driver of local prosperity. The Grassy Mountain Mine represents such a development.

We respectfully urge the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI), as well as all other involved agencies, to support the timely approval and advancement of this project. Malheur County stands ready to partner in ensuring its success and sustainability.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,


Judge Dan P. Joyce


Commissioner Ron Jacobs


Commissioner Jim Mendiola