

**SANTACRUZ SILVER MINING LTD.** 

**ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY** 

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Santacruz Silver Mining Ltd. (the "Company") strives to be an exemplary leader in environmental management. We intend to meet or surpass existing regulatory standards and minimize undesirable impacts on the environment to the extent possible. To meet this objective, we intend to:

- At a minimum, meet all regulatory requirements;
- Recognize environmental management as an important corporate priority and integrate environmental considerations into all mine exploration, development, operational and closure planning;
- Assess the potential environmental risks of project design so that effective preventive measures can be established;
- Use industry leading practices and technologies that are aimed to improve environmental performance intended to enhance quality of water, air, vegetation and wildlife;
- Continuously improve the efficient use of resources, processes and materials;
- Participate in recycling programs to the extent possible and commercially feasible;
- Optimize the use of resources to ensure the conservation of natural resources and consumer goods such as energy;
- Require contractors and suppliers to provide operational guidelines and procedures which meet their environmental responsibilities, as part of the bid and procurement process;
- Consider environmental guidelines when purchasing equipment and materials;
- Communicate environmental information to our employees including changes and potential changes to environmental regulations as well as technological developments that may mitigate impacts;
- Develop guidelines for training and education of employees;
- Work with government agencies, the public, indigenous communities and stakeholders to develop open communications for a shared understanding of the Company's environmental protection programs and responsibilities; and
- To the extent that is practical and commercially reasonable, work to remediate disturbed ecosystems to enable them to revert to their original state or an alternative sustainable state which optimizes biodiversity and benefits to the wider community.

It is the responsibility of every employee of the Company to carry out their daily activities in accordance with this Environmental Policy.

The Policy was approved by the Board on November 11, 2023.