Frequently Asked Questions: Crown Grants

1. **What is a Crown grant and what information is contained in a Crown grant?**

   Please refer to Information Update 39 and information on the BC Land Title & Survey Authority website. Most Crown grants have now been scanned and are available to view in the Tantalis GATOR database.

   Background information on crown grants is available from the Historic Crown Grant Search GATOR website.

2. **How do I find out if the Crown grant lots are in good standing?**

   You must conduct a search using Tantalis Gator to determine if a crown granted 2 post mineral claim is current or reverted.

   To determine the registered owner of an active crown grant you must conduct a land title search using the BC Land Title & Survey database.


3. **Is there a record of royalties payable on mining claims?**

   Yes, the tax rates payable on Crown Grants are set in the Mineral Land Tax Act. The rates are also listed on the Ministry of Energy & Mines website. Please contact the Ministry of Finance by email if you have any questions about paying taxes.

4. **Can I get a Crown granted 2 post claim now?**

   No. The last such title was issued in 1960.
5. **My claim is located over a Crown Grant. What rights are associated with my claim?**

   Your claim does not acquire any mineral rights that are currently held by the Crown Grant. Your claim will only acquire those mineral rights that may still be available and not already granted to the active Crown Grant which your claim overlaps.

   Each Crown Grant 2 post claim has specific mineral rights granted at the time of issuance. Each crown grant lot must be researched independently to determine if it is still active and what mineral rights it holds.

6. **I have a crown grant and the overlying cell claim. Can I apply work I did work on my Crown Grant to the cell claim?**

   No, you can not apply work from your Crown Granted 2 post claim to your existing cell claim. Work must be done on the cell claim.