



Donlin Gold Principal Sponsor of Iditarod
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Donlin Gold Announces Pledge to Continue as a Principal Sponsor of the Last Great Race

As the current Principal Sponsorship commitment comes to an end, Donlin Gold is excited to announce the official confirmation of an additional three years as Principal Sponsor for The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race. In the past, Donlin Gold's contribution to the historic event, has served as a vital means of support for this cherished Alaska tradition. .

"Donlin Gold is pleased to continue to support the race, as it brings the Alaska community together and commemorates the state's natural resource and mushing background," said Stan Foo, Donlin Gold's general manager.

Both mining and mushing have been tied throughout Alaska's history. In the early 1900s, sled dogs provided transportation for miners to get to the gold fields of "The Last Frontier." At one point, the townsite of the Iditarod, which is not too far from Donlin Gold's proposed site, grew to become one of Alaska's largest cities boasting some 10,000 gold mining prospectors in 1910. These prospectors would reach the Yukon-Kuskowim region by dog sled.

"We celebrate our shared values and commitment to the legacy of a trail rich in both history and resources," said Stan Hooley, CEO of The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.

Not only is Donlin Gold pleased to serve as a Principal Sponsor for the Iditarod, but also to serve as a sponsor for the 2015 Kuskowim 300 winner, Pete Kaiser. Kaiser has a passion for mushing and a commitment to suicide prevention. He serves as a leader of Drew's Foundation, which offers a source of support and promotes the message "Suicide is Never the Answer".

On Monday, March 9, Kaiser, along with the rest of the mushers, will begin the nearly 1,000-mile trek to Nome along the Iditarod Trail. Donlin Gold looks forward to another great race, and is thankful to offer continued support to an event that emulates bravery, hard work and determination.

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For more information or for photos of the event, please contact Mr. Kurt Parkan, External Affairs Manager with Donlin Gold, at (907) 273-0200 or kparkan@DonlinGold.com

The Donlin Gold project is a large, undeveloped gold deposit located 10 miles north of the middle Kuskowim River village of Crooked Creek and about 280 miles northwest of Anchorage. The deposit is situated on Native lands owned by The Kuskowim Corporation (surface estate) and Calista Corporation (subsurface estate). Donlin Gold is equally owned by Barrick and NOVAGOLD.