

**COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**Disclosure Form**  
**As required by and provided for in House Rule XI, clause 2(g) and**  
**the Rules of the Committee on Natural Resources**

*Effect of the President's FY-2013 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management  
and the U.S. Forest Service's Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic  
Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction.*

March 20, 2012

For Individuals:

1. Name:
2. Address:
3. Email Address:
4. Phone Number:

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name: Laura E. Skaer
2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing: The Northwest Mining Association
3. Business Address: 10 N. Post St Ste 305, Spokane WA 99201
4. Business Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
5. Business Phone Number: 509-684-1158 [Information redacted for privacy]

Name/Organization: Laura E. Skaer / The Northwest Mining Association

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a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing. **Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, with honors 1970 (economics and accounting majors) and J.D. cum laude 1974, University of Missouri; attended several technical talks on mining, mine development, mineral economics, mineral supply and demand, mine reclamation, environmental permitting and the 3809 regulations.**

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing. **Lawyer -- Member of the Colorado and Missouri Bar; trustee of the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Institute;**

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing. **32 years experience working in the oil & gas and hardrock mining industries (vice president, COO and general counsel of Skaer Enterprises Inc, an independent oil & gas exploration and production company; vice president and general counsel of Combined Metals Reduction Company, a privately owned mining company); executive director of the Northwest Mining Association**

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited) that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract. **None**

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed. **None**

f. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony. **No**

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In addition, for witnesses representing organizations:

g. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying. **Executive Director**

h. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior (and /or other agencies invited) that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s). **None**

i. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s). **None**

j. A list of any countries from which the organization(s) you represent at the hearing have received foreign donations and the total amount of donations received from each country, for the current year and the previous four years, by each organization. **None**

k. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)). **See Attached**

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

**2010**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Open to Public Inspection

**A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning** 2010, **and ending** \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Check if applicable:

<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	Northwest Mining Association 10 N. Post Street #305 Spokane, WA 99201-0772	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number	91-0491475
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change		<b>E</b> Telephone number	509-624-1158
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$	1,379,804.
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminated		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for affiliates?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		<b>H(b)</b> Are all affiliates included?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)	

**F** Name and address of principal officer:  
Same As C Above

**I** Tax-exempt status:  501(c)(3)  501(c) ( 6 ) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J** Website: ▶ N/A

**K** Form of organization:  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**L** Year of Formation: \_\_\_\_\_ **M** State of legal domicile: WA

**Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:	<u>Promotion of mining industry issues.</u>	
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a).....	3	30
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b).....	4	30
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a).....	5	5
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary).....	6	300
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12.....	7a	59,800.
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34.....	7b	0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h).....	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g).....	490,366.	548,613.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d).....	804,335.	826,540.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e).....	6,849.	2,693.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12).....	1,301,710.	1,379,804.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3).....		
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4).....		
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10).....	530,216.	568,838.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e).....		
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ _____		
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f).....	593,280.	687,524.	
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).....	1,123,496.	1,256,362.	
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12.....	178,214.	123,442.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16).....	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26).....	1,279,468.	1,432,172.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20.....	288,317.	317,579.
			991,151.	1,114,593.

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

**Sign Here**

Signature of officer: Laura E. Skaer Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Type or print name and title: Executive Director

**Paid Preparer Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name: Kevin C. Ulrich Preparer's signature: Kevin C. Ulrich Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check  if self-employed PTIN: P00965047  
 Firm's name: ▶ Batty, Erlandsen & Assoc., PS Firm's EIN: ▶ 91-1144863  
 Firm's address: ▶ 107 S HOWARD ST STE 205 SPOKANE, WA 99201 Phone no.: (509) 624-1268

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions).....  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
Promotion of mining industry issues.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
Convention and trade show held December of each year provides forum for attendees to keep up to date on current issues, developments, etc. in the mining industry. 2,021 Attending

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
Short Course - Educational courses on issues in the mining industry. 182 Attending

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
Service Directory - Preparation of publication listing association membership and various reference information.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A.</i> .....		X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? (see instructions).....		X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I.</i> .....		X
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II.</i> .....		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III.</i> .....	X	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I.</i> .....		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II.</i> .....		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III.</i> .....		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV.</i> .....		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V.</i> .....	X	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes,' then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i> .....	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments— other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i> .....		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments— program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i> .....		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX.</i> .....		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> .....		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> .....		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i> .....	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.</i> .....		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E.</i> .....		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?.....		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.</i> .....		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV.</i> .....		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.</i> .....		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions).</i> .....		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II.</i> .....		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III.</i> .....		X
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H.</i> .....		X
b If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statements to this return? <b>Note.</b> Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions).....		

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J.</i>	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to line 25.</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
a Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
36 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

BAA

**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V.

		Yes	No
<b>1 a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
<b>1 a</b>			21
<b>1 b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		0
<b>1 c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	
<b>2 a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		5
<b>2 b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	X	
<b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. (see instructions)			
<b>3 a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	X	
<b>3 b</b>	If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.	X	
<b>4 a</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
<b>4 b</b>	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
<b>5 a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
<b>5 b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
<b>5 c</b>	If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
<b>6 a</b>	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	X	
<b>6 b</b>	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	X	
<b>7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>			
<b>7 a</b>	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		
<b>7 b</b>	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
<b>7 c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		
<b>7 d</b>	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
<b>7 e</b>	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		
<b>7 f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		
<b>7 g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
<b>7 h</b>	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
<b>8</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
<b>9 a</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
<b>9 b</b>	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:</b>			
<b>10 a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
<b>10 b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
<b>11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:</b>			
<b>11 a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders		
<b>11 b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
<b>12 a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
<b>12 b</b>	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
<b>13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>			
<b>13 a</b>	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?		
<b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
<b>13 b</b>	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans		
<b>13 c</b>	Enter the amount of reserves on hand		
<b>14 a</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		X
<b>14 b</b>	If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.		



**Part VI Governance, Management and Disclosure** For each 'Yes' response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a 'No' response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI.  X

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No		
1 a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. ....	1 a	30		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent. ....	1 b	30		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee? .....	2			X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? .....	3			X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? .....	4			X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? .....	5			X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders? ... See Schedule O .....	6	X		
7 a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? ... See Schedule O .....	7 a	X		
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? .....	7 b			X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a	The governing body? .....	8 a	X		
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? .....	8 b	X		
9	Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O .....	9			X

**Section B. Policies** (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No	
10 a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? .....	10 a	X
b	If 'Yes,' does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization? .....	10 b	
11 a	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? .....	11 a	X
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. See Schedule O .....		
12 a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13. ....	12 a	X
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? .....	12 b	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done. ....	12 c	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy? .....	13	X
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? .....	14	X
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official. ....	15 a	X
b	Other officers of key employees of the organization ... See Schedule O .....	15 b	X
	If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)		
16 a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? .....	16 a	X
b	If 'Yes,' has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? .....	16 b	

**Section C. Disclosure**

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ WA
- 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website     Another's website     Upon request
- 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Schedule O
- 20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:  
 ▶ Pat Heywood 10 N. Post Street, Ste. 305 Spokane WA 99201 (509) 624-1158

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1 a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of 'key employee.'
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) Joe Baird 1st VP	0	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(2) Steve Alferts Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) Louie Cononelos Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) Fred Fox Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) Mark Ioli Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) Hugh Miller Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) John Mudge Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) Leslie Olmstead Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) Bill Orchow Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) Ron Parratt Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) JP Tangen Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) Scott Bending Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) John Beaudry Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) Richard Brown Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) Jim Butler Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) Teresa Conner Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) Ralph Noyes Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (cont)**

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Sch O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) Debbie Struhsacker Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(19) Vicki Veltkamp Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(20) George G. Byers Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(21) Michael Brown Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(22) Neil Eurick Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(23) Kris Hefton Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(24) Bruce Hansen Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(25) Scott Lawson Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(26) Dean McDonald Controller	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(27) Steven West Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(28) Sam McGeorge Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(29) Mark Smith Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
<b>1 b Sub-total</b>							191,425.	0.	14,642.	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>							0.	0.	0.	
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							191,425.	0.	14,642.	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **1**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual.</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual.</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person.</i>		X

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization **0**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the Organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

**Part VII** Continuation: Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
RJ Smith Trustee	0	X						0.	0.	0.
Luke Russell President	0			X				0.	0.	0.
Rich DeLong 2nd VP	0			X				0.	0.	0.
Peter Scott Secretary	0			X				0.	0.	0.
James Frank Treasurer	0			X				0.	0.	0.
Laura E. Skaer Exec. Direc.	55				X			191,425.	0.	14,642.

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	1 a Federated campaigns .....	1 a				
	b Membership dues .....	1 b	487,858.			
	c Fundraising events .....	1 c				
	d Related organizations .....	1 d				
	e Government grants (contributions) .....	1 e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .....	1 f	60,755.			
	g Noncash contributions included in lns 1a-1f: \$					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f. ....>		548,613.			
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	Business Code					
	2 a <u>Convention &amp; Trade Show</u> .....		687,918.			687,918.
	b <u>Short Course</u> .....		78,822.	78,822.		
	c <u>Service Directory Advert.</u> .....		59,800.		59,800.	
	d .....					
	e .....					
	f All other program service revenue .....					
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f. ....>		826,540.			
OTHER REVENUE	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts) .....		2,693.			2,693.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....					
	5 Royalties .....					
	6 a Gross Rents .....	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses .....				
		c Rental income or (loss) .....				
	d Net rental income or (loss) .....					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....				
		c Gain or (loss) .....				
	d Net gain or (loss) .....					
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	a				
		b Less: direct expenses .....	b			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....						
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	a					
	b Less: direct expenses .....	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....					
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	a	798.				
	b Less: cost of goods sold .....	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....		798.	798.		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a <u>Miscellaneous</u> .....			1,160.		1,160.	
b .....						
c .....						
d All other revenue .....						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d. ....>			1,160.			
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions .....			1,379,804.	79,620.	59,800.	691,771.

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.  
 All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	191,425.			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages	280,052.			
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	12,079.			
9 Other employee benefits	50,543.			
10 Payroll taxes	34,739.			
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	30,935.			
c Accounting	5,050.			
d Lobbying	52,718.			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f Investment management fees				
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion	5,184.			
13 Office expenses	16,006.			
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	66,175.			
17 Travel	56,507.			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	10,524.			
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	6,282.			
23 Insurance	2,931.			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f. If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <u>Miscellaneous Convention Ex.</u>	130,614.			
b <u>Printing and Publications</u>	86,954.			
c <u>Contract Services</u>	71,241.			
d <u>Miscellaneous</u>	37,806.			
e <u>Equipment Rent</u>	32,970.			
f All other expenses	75,627.			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f.	1,256,362.			
26 Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720). Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1	Cash — non-interest-bearing	1	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	1,180,157.	2 1,344,443.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net	72,914.	4 59,240.
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions)	6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net	7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use	8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	9,042.	9 5,945.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 46,167.	
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 24,948.	10c 21,219.
	11	Investments — publicly traded securities	11	
	12	Investments — other securities. See Part IV, line 11	12	
	13	Investments — program-related. See Part IV, line 11	13	
	14	Intangible assets	14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	1,891.	15 1,325.
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	1,279,468.	16 1,432,172.	
LIABILITIES	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	178,186.	17 218,131.
	18	Grants payable	18	
	19	Deferred revenue	110,131.	19 99,448.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities	20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	24	
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	25	
	26	<b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	288,317.	26 317,579.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27	Unrestricted net assets	989,151.	27 1,100,295.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	28	12,298.
	29	Permanently restricted net assets	2,000.	29 2,000.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	32	
33	Total net assets or fund balances	991,151.	33 1,114,593.	
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	1,279,468.	34 1,432,172.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,379,804.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,256,362.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	123,442.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	991,151.
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	0.
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	1,114,593.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
2c	If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.		X
d	If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
3b	If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

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**SCHEDULE C**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2010**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

**Open to Public Inspection**

If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35a (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization <b>Northwest Mining Association</b>	Employer identification number <b>91-0491475</b>
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**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours.....

**Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955. .... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?.....  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made?.....  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities. .... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? .....  Yes  No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter-0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.
(1)	-----			
(2)	-----			
(3)	-----			
(4)	-----			
(5)	-----			
(6)	-----			

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2010

**Part II-A** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.  
 B Check  if the filing organization checked box A and 'limited control' provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying).....														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying).....														
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b).....														
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures.....														
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d).....														
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$7,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$7,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$7,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$7,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$7,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$7,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f).....														
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-.....														
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-.....														
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?.....														

Yes  No

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) Total
2a	Lobbying non-taxable amount.....				
b	Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e)).....				
c	Total lobbying expenditures.....				
d	Grassroots nontaxable amount.....				
e	Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)).....				
f	Grassroots lobbying expenditures.....				

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**Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities? If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).**

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	X
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	X
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	X

**Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2 are answered 'No' OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered 'Yes.'**

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members.	1	487,858.
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year.	2a	27,796.
b Carryover from last year.	2b	
c Total.	2c	27,796.
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues.	3	48,786.
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	0.
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions).	5	0.

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

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**Part IV** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

**SCHEDULE D  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
Name of the organization

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

▶ Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.  
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2010**

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Employer identification number

Northwest Mining Association

91-0491475

**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?  Yes  No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?  Yes  No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?  Yes  No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?  Yes  No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1 a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a  Public exhibition
  - b  Scholarly research
  - c  Preservation for future generations
  - d  Loan or exchange programs
  - e  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

**Part V Endowment Funds.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.		
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	43.	73.	112.		
d Grants or scholarships	43.	73.	112.		
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	2,000.	2,000.	2,000.		

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b Permanent endowment  100.00 %
- c Term endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i) unrelated organizations
  - (ii) related organizations
- b If 'Yes' to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

	Yes	No
3a(i)		X
3a(ii)		X
3b		X

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		46,167.	24,948.	21,219.
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				21,219.

**Part VII Investments—Other Securities.** See Form 990, Part X, line 12. N/A

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A) -----		
(B) -----		
(C) -----		
(D) -----		
(E) -----		
(F) -----		
(G) -----		
(H) -----		
(I) -----		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990 Part X, column (B) line 12.)		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related.** (See Form 990, Part X, line 13) N/A

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 13.)		

**Part IX Other Assets.** (See Form 990, Part X, line 15) N/A

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column(B), line 15.)	

**Part X Other Liabilities.** (See Form 990, Part X, line 25)

(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 25.)	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740).

**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements**

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		1,379,804.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)		1,256,362.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1		123,442.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments		
5	Donated services and use of facilities		
6	Investment expenses		
7	Prior period adjustments		
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)		
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8		
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9		123,442.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,379,804.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,379,804.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	1,379,804.

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	1,256,362.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,256,362.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	1,256,362.

**Part XIV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

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**Part XIV** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

**SCHEDULE J**  
**(Form 990)**

**Compensation Information**

OMB No. 1545-0047

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

**2010**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**  
▶ **Attach to Form 990.** ▶ **See separate instructions.**

**Open to Public Inspection**

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1 a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel  | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If 'No,' complete Part III to explain.....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?.....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee   | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment from the organization or a related organization?.....
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?.....
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?.....
- If 'Yes' to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?.....
- b** Any related organization?.....
- If 'Yes' to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?.....
- b** Any related organization?.....
- If 'Yes' to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.....

**8** Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.....

**9** If 'Yes' to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?.....

	Yes	No
1 b	X	
2	X	
4 a		X
4 b		X
4 c		X
5 a		
5 b		
6 a		
6 b		
7		
8		
9		

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a.

	(A) Name	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus and incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1	Laura E. Skaer	(i) 160,425. (ii) 0.	(ii) 31,000. (iii) 0.	(iii) 0. (iii) 0.	4,813. 0.	9,829. 0.	206,067. 0.	194,101. 0.
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**Part III** Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Area with multiple horizontal dashed lines for supplemental information.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.  
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Inspection

Name of the organization

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder**

The association has both corporate members and individual members.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body**

Members are able to elect the trustees for the Association.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Form 990 Review Process**

The 990 is prepared by the independent accounting firm that preformed the audit.

This is then reviewed by the Finance Director and then the Executive Director before  
being filed. A copy of the 990 is kept at the office for review by the Trustees.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process for Officers & Key Employees**

Compensation and bonuses for all employees are reviewed and approved by a  
compensation committee appointed by the Trustees.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available**

Copies are available at the Corporate offices in Spokane Washington.

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2009

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Open to Public Inspection

For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 2009, and ending

Header section containing B (Check if applicable), C (Organization name: Northwest Mining Association), D (Employer Identification Number: 91-0491475), E (Telephone number: 624-1158), F (Name and address of principal officer: Same As C Above), G (Gross receipts \$: 1,301,710), H(a) (Group return for affiliates?), H(b) (All affiliates included?), H(c) (Group exemption number), I (Tax-exempt status: 501(c) (6)), J (Website: N/A), K (Form of organization: Association), L (Year of formation), M (State of legal domicile: WA)

Part I Summary table with columns for Activities & Governance, Revenue, Expenses, and Not Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include mission statement, membership counts, revenue breakdown, and expenses.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here: Signature of officer: Laura E. Skaer, Executive Director

Paid Preparer's Use Only: Preparer's signature: Thomas H. Rogers, Firm's name: Batty, Erlandsen & Assoc., PS, 107 S HOWARD ST STE 205, SPOKANE, WA 99201

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) [X] Yes [ ] No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Promotion of mining industry issues.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ...

Yes No

If 'Yes,' describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ...

Yes No

If 'Yes,' describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

Convention and trade show held December of each year provides forum for attendees to keep up to date on current issues, developments, etc. in the mining industry. 2,322 Attending

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

Short Course - Educational courses on issues in the mining industry. 89 Attending

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

Service Directory - Preparation of publication listing association membership and various reference information.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A.		X
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		X
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I.		X
4	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II.		
5	<b>Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.</b> Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III.	X	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I.		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II.		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III.		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV.		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V.	X	
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions 'Yes'? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.	X	
	• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI.		
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments— other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII.		
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments— program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII.		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX.		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.		
	• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.		
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.	X	
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If 'Yes,' completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.	Yes	No
			X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E.		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
14b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part I.		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part II.		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part III.		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I.		X
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II.		X
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III.		X
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H.		X



**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

		Yes	No
1 a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable. ....	0	
1 b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable. ....	0	
1 c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? .....		
2 a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return. ....	5	
2 b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? .....	X	
<b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)			
3 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? .....	X	
3 b	If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O. ....	X	
4 a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? .....		X
4 b	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5 a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? .....		X
5 b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? .....		X
5 c	If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction? .....		
6 a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible? .....	X	
6 b	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not deductible? .....	X	
<b>7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>			
7 a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor? .....		
7 b	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? .....		
7 c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? .....		
7 d	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year. ....		
7 e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? .....		
7 f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? .....		
7 g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? .....		
7 h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required? .....		
8	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? .....		
<b>9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>			
9 a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? .....		
9 b	Did the organization make any distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? .....		
<b>10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:</b>			
10 a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 .....		
10 b	Gross Receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities. ....		
<b>11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:</b>			
11 a	Gross income from other members or shareholders .....		
11 b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) .....		
12 a	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? .....		
12 b	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. ....		

**Part VI Governance, Management and Disclosure** For each 'Yes' response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a 'No' response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
1 a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body.....		
1 a	30		
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent.....		
1 b	30		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee?.....		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?.....		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?.....		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?.....		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders? ... See Schedule O.....	X	
7 a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? ... See Schedule O.....	X	
7 b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?.....		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?.....	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?.....	X	
9	Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O.....		X

**Section B. Policies** (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10 a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?.....		X
10 b	If 'Yes,' does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?.....		
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?.....		X
11 A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. See Schedule O.....		
12 a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13.....		X
12 b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?.....		
12 c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done.....		
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?.....	X	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?.....		X
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official.....	X	
b	Other officers of key employees of the organization... See Schedule O.....	X	
	If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.).....		
16 a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?.....		X
16 b	If 'Yes,' has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?.....		

**Section C. Disclosures**

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ WA
- 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website     Another's website     Upon request
- 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
- 20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:  
 ▶ Pat Heywood 10 N. Post Street, Ste. 305, Spokane, WA 99201-0772 (509) 624-1158

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1 a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees. See instructions for definition of 'key employees.'
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Luke Russell 1st VP	0	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
Joe Baird 2nd VP	0	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
Steve Alferts Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Louie Cononelos Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Fred Fox Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Mark Ioli Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Hugh Miller Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
John Mudge Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Leslie Olmstead Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Bill Orchow Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Ron Parratt Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
JP Tangen Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Scott Bending Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Alan Branham Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Richard Brown Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Jim Butler Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Teresa Conner Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (cont.)**

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Ralph Noyes Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Reinis Sipols Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
debbie Struhsacker Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Vicki Veltkamp Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Be-Be Adams Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Mark J Brown Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Ann Carpenter Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Richard F DeLong Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Sheryl Garling Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Bruce Hansen Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Tamara Johnson Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Randy Weimer Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Stephen west Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
<b>1 b Total</b>							<b>180,000.</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>14,101.</b>	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 1

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual.</i>	3	X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual.</i>	4	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person.</i>	5	X

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of Services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶ 0

Continuation Sheet for Form 990

2009

▶ Attach to Form 990 to list additional information for Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a.  
▶ See instructions for Form 990.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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Name of the Organization: Northwest Mining Association  
Employer identification number: 91-0491475

Part I Continuation: Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

Table with 6 main columns: (A) Name and Title, (B) Average hours per week, (C) Position (check all that apply), (D) Reportable compensation from the organization, (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations, (F) Estimated amount of other compensation. Includes entries for George Byers (President), Peter Scott (Secretary), Jim Maronick (Treasurer), and Laura E. Skaer (Exec. Direc.).

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS</b>	1a Federated campaigns.....	1a				
	b Membership dues.....	1b	490,086.			
	c Fundraising events.....	1c				
	d Related organizations.....	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)....	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above....	1f	280.			
	g Noncash contribns included in lns 1a-1f:.... \$					
<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f.....		490,366.				
<b>PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE</b>	<b>Business Code</b>					
	2a <u>Convention &amp; Trade Show</u>		678,485.		678,485.	
	b <u>Short Course</u>		70,750.	70,750.		
	c <u>Service Directory Advert.</u>		55,100.		55,100.	
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue...					
<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f.....		804,335.				
<b>OTHER REVENUE</b>	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts).....		6,849.		6,849.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds.					
	5 Royalties.....					
	6a Gross Rents.....	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)....				
	d Net rental income or (loss).....					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory.	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses.....				
		c Gain or (loss).....				
	d Net gain or (loss).....					
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18.....	a				
	b Less: direct expenses.....	b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events.....						
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19.....	a					
b Less: direct expenses.....	b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities.....						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances.....	a	135.				
	b Less: cost of goods sold.....	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory.....		135.	135.		
Miscellaneous Revenue						
11a <u>Miscellaneous</u>	<b>Business Code</b>					
			25.		25.	
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d All other revenue.....					
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d.....		25.				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions.....		1,301,710.	70,885.	55,100.	685,359.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	180,000.			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages	259,300.			
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	11,075.			
9 Other employee benefits	48,018.			
10 Payroll taxes	31,823.			
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal	16,852.			
c Accounting	4,852.			
d Lobbying	48,450.			
e Prof fundraising svcs. See Part IV, ln 17.				
f Investment management fees				
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion	4,753.			
13 Office expenses	14,012.			
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	26,456.			
17 Travel	46,726.			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	6,634.			
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	5,948.			
23 Insurance	3,238.			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a <u>Miscellaneous Convention Ex.</u>	137,011.			
b <u>Printing and Publications</u>	78,441.			
c <u>Contract Services</u>	72,891.			
d <u>Equipment Rent</u>	37,371.			
e <u>Miscellaneous</u>	27,461.			
f All other expenses	62,184.			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,123,496.			
26 Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1	Cash — non-interest-bearing.....		1
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments.....	991,190.	2 1,180,157.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net.....		3
	4	Accounts receivable, net.....	66,635.	4 72,914.
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L.....		5
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L.....		6
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net.....		7
	8	Inventories for sale or use.....		8
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges.....	7,791.	9 9,042.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis.. 10a 42,240.		
		Complete Part VI of Schedule D		
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation..... 10b 26,776.	17,906.	10c 15,464.
	11	Investments — publicly-traded securities.....		11
	12	Investments — other securities. See Part IV, line 11.....		12
	13	Investments — program-related. See Part IV, line 11.....		13
	14	Intangible assets.....		14
15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11.....	8,992.	15 1,891.	
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34).....	1,092,514.	16 1,279,468.	
LIABILITIES	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses.....	168,655.	17 178,186.
	18	Grants payable.....		18
	19	Deferred revenue.....	110,922.	19 110,131.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities.....		20
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D.....		21
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L.....		22
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties.....		23
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties.....		24
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D.....		25
	26	<b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25.....	279,577.	26 288,317.
MULTI-PURPOSE OR FUND BALANCES	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27	Unrestricted net assets.....	810,937.	27 989,151.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets.....		28
	29	Permanently restricted net assets.....	2,000.	29 2,000.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds.....		30
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund.....		31
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds.....		32
	33	<b>Total net assets or fund balances.</b> .....	812,937.	33 991,151.
	34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.</b> .....	1,092,514.	34 1,279,468.

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**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  Other

If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O.

2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? .....

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c		X
3a		X
3b		

2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? .....

c If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? .....

If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.

d If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both: .....

Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis

3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? .....

b If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits .....

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Form 990 (2009)

**SCHEDULE C**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2009**

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then**

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: complete Part I-A only.

**If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then**

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

**If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then**

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization

Employer identification number

Northwest Mining Association

91-0491475

**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours.....

**Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?.....  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made?.....  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) , except section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total of exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?.....  Yes  No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

**Part II-A** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.  
 B Check  if the filing organization checked box A and 'limited control' provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures – (The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1 a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying).....														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying).....														
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b).....														
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures.....														
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d).....														
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
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Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f).....														
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-.....														
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-.....														
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?.....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount.....					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e)).....					
c Total lobbying expenditures.....					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount.....					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)).....					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures.....					

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**Part II-B** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities? If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?		X
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?		X
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?		X

**Part III-B** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered 'No' OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered 'Yes.'

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	490,086.
2 Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	33,623.
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	33,623.
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	49,009.
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	0.
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions).	5	0.

**Part IV** Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

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**SCHEDULE D  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

▶ Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.  
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2009**

**Open to Public Inspection**

Employer identification number

91-0491475

**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year.....		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year).....		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year).....		
4 Aggregate value at end of year.....		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?.....  Yes  No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?.....  Yes  No

**Part II Conservation Easements** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure)  Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat  Preservation of certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements.....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements.....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a).....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06.....	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easement it holds?.....  Yes  No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?.....  Yes  No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a  Public exhibition
- b  Scholarly research
- c  Preservation for future generations
- d  Loan or exchange programs
- e  Other \_\_\_\_\_

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1 c
d Additions during the year	1 d
e Distributions during the year	1 e
f Ending balance	1 f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?  Yes  No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

**Part V Endowment Funds** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	2,000.	2,000.			
b Contributions					
c Net Investment earnings, gains, and losses	73.	112.			
d Grants or scholarships	73.	112.			
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	2,000.	2,000.			

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b Permanent endowment  100.00 %
- c Term endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations		X
(ii) related organizations		X
b If 'Yes' to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?		

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated Depreciation	(d) Book Value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		42,240.	26,776.	15,464.
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				15,464.

**Part VII Investments—Other Securities** See Form 990, Part X, line 12. N/A

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives.....		
Closely-held equity interests.....		
Other.....		
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Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990 Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related** (See Form 990, Part X, line 13) N/A

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, Col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

**Part IX Other Assets** (See Form 990, Part X, line 15) N/A

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B), line 15.) ▶	

**Part X Other Liabilities** (See Form 990, Part X, line 25)

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25) ▶	

2. FIN 48 Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48.



**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements**

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		1,301,710.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)		1,123,496.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1		178,214.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments		
5	Donated services and use of facilities		
6	Investment expenses		
7	Prior period adjustments		
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)		
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8		
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9		178,214.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,301,710.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,301,710.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	1,301,710.

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	1,123,496.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,123,496.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	1,123,496.

**Part XIV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

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**Part XIV** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

**SCHEDULE J**  
(Form 990)

**Compensation Information**

OMB No. 1545-0047

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

**2009**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

**Open to Public Inspection**

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1 a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel  | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If 'No,' complete Part III to explain.....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?.....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee   | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?.....
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?.....
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?.....
- If 'Yes' to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?.....
- b** Any related organization?.....
- If 'Yes' to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?.....
- b** Any related organization?.....
- If 'Yes' to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.....

**8** Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs. section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.....

**9** If 'Yes' to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?.....

	Yes	No
1 b	X	
2	X	
4 a		X
4 b		X
4 c		X
5 a		
5 b		
6 a		
6 b		
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Schedule J (Form 990) 2009



**Part III** Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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Supplemental Information to Form 990

2009

Open to Public  
Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder**

The association has both corporate members and individual members.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body**

Members are able to elect the trustees for the Association.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 11 - Form 990 Review Process**

The 990 is prepared by the independent accounting firm that preformed the audit.

This is the reviewed by the Finance Director and then the Executive Director before  
being filled. A copy of the 990 is kept at the office for review by the Trustees.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process for Officers & Key Employees**

Compensation and bonuses for all employees are reviewed and approved by an  
compensation committee that is appointed by the Trustees.

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
OGDEN UT 84201-0074

For assistance, call:  
1-877-829-5500

Notice Number: CP211A  
Date: June 7, 2010

Taxpayer Identification Number:  
91-0491475  
Tax Form: 990  
Tax Period: December 31, 2009

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NORTHWEST MINING ASSOCIATION  
10 N POST ST STE 305  
SPOKANE WA 99201-0705809

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### APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE AN EXEMPT ORGANIZATION RETURN - APPROVED

We received and approved your Form 8868, Application for Extension of Time to File an Exempt Organization Return, for the return (form) and tax period identified above. Your extended due date to file your return is **August 15, 2010**.

When it's time to file your Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF or 1120-POL, you should consider filing electronically. Electronic filing is the fastest, easiest and most accurate way to file your return. For more information, visit the Charities and Nonprofit web at [www.irs.gov/eo](http://www.irs.gov/eo). This site will provide information about:

- The type of returns that can be filed electronically,
- approved e-File providers, and
- if you are required to file electronically.

If you have any questions, please call us at the number shown above, or you may write us at the address shown at the top of this letter.



**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

**2008**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Open to Public Inspection

For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2008, and ending

**B** Check if applicable:

Address change  
 Name change  
 Initial return  
 Termination  
 Amended return  
 Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See specific instructions.

**Northwest Mining Association**  
 10 N. Post Street #220  
 Spokane, WA 99201-0772

**D Employer identification number**  
 91-0491475

**E Telephone number**  
 624-1158

**G Gross receipts \$** 1,274,074.

**F Name and address of principal officer:**  
 Same As C Above

**H(a)** Is this a group return for affiliates?  Yes  No  
**H(b)** Are all affiliates included?  Yes  No  
 If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)

**I Tax-exempt status**  501(c) ( 6 ) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J Website:** N/A

**H(c)** Group exemption number ▶

**K Type of organization:**  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other ▶

**L Year of Formation:** **M State of legal domicile:** WA

**Part I Summary**

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Promotion of mining industry issues.

2 Check this box  if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets.

3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	18
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	17
5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	5
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C)	7a	64,150.
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.

	Prior Year	Current Year	
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	15,675.	420,120.
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,040,549.	837,677.
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	3,881.	12,552.
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	1,550.	1,841.
12	Total revenue — add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,061,601.	1,272,190.
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	387,198.	464,265.
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	460,591.	558,962.
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	847,789.	1,023,227.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	213,812.	248,963.

	Beginning of Year	End of Year	
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	857,740.	1,092,514.
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	293,766.	279,577.
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	563,974.	812,937.

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

**Sign Here**

Signature of officer: Laura E. Skaer Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Executive Director

Type or print name and title.

**Paid Preparer's Use Only**

Preparer's signature: Thomas H. Rogers Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check if self-employed  Preparer's identifying number (see instructions): P00965759

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: Batty, Erlandsen & Assoc., PS  
107 S HOWARD ST STE 205  
SPOKANE, WA 99201

EIN: 91-1144863 Phone no.: (509) 624-1268

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No



Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Promotion of mining industry issues.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior

Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If 'Yes,' describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If 'Yes,' describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

Convention and trade show held December of each year provides forum for attendees to keep up to date on current issues, developments, etc. in the mining industry. 2,240 Attending

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

Short Course - Educational courses on issues in the mining industry. 192 Attending

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

Service Directory - Preparation of publication listing association membership and various reference information.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses \$ (Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).)

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(i) (other than a private foundation)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A		X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I		X
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 <b>Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.</b> Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III	X	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V	X	
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	X	
12 Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U.S.?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U.S.? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part I		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part II		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part III		X
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H		X
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		X
23 Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? If 'Yes,' answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to question 25		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I		
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I		
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III		X

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
28 During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee:		
a Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28a	X
b Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28b	X
c Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28c	X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>	29	X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>	30	X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>	31	X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>	32	X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>	33	X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>	34	X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	35	X
36 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	36	
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>	37	X

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**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable. . . . .		
	<b>1a</b> 0		
<b>b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable. . . . .		
	<b>1b</b> 0		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? . . . . .		
	<b>1c</b>		
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return . . . . .		
	<b>2a</b> 5		
<b>2b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? . . . . .		X
	<b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)		
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? . . . . .	X	
<b>b</b>	If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .	X	
<b>3b</b>			
<b>4a</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? . . . . .		X
<b>b</b>	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>Form TD F 90-22.1</b> , Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? . . . . .		X
<b>b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? . . . . .		X
<b>5b</b>			
<b>c</b>	If 'Yes,' to question 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction? . . . . .		
	<b>5c</b>		
<b>6a</b>	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible? . . . . .		X
<b>b</b>	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not deductible? . . . . .		
	<b>6b</b>		
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of more than \$75? . . . . .		
	<b>7a</b>		
<b>b</b>	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? . . . . .		
	<b>7b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? . . . . .		
	<b>7c</b>		
<b>d</b>	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year . . . . .		
	<b>7d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .		
	<b>7e</b>		
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .		
	<b>7f</b>		
<b>g</b>	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? . . . . .		
	<b>7g</b>		
<b>h</b>	For all contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required? . . . . .		
	<b>7h</b>		
<b>8</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? . . . . .		
	<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? . . . . .		
	<b>9a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Did the organization make any distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? . . . . .		
	<b>9b</b>		
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12. . . . .	<b>10a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Gross Receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities. . . . .	<b>10b</b>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Gross income from other members or shareholders . . . . .	<b>11a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) . . . . .	<b>11b</b>	
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? . . . . .	<b>12a</b>	
<b>b</b>	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. . . . .	<b>12b</b>	

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**Part VI Governance, Management and Disclosure** (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

For each 'Yes' response to lines 2-7b below, and for a 'No' response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	18		
<b>1b</b> Enter the number of voting members that are independent	17		
<b>2</b> Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee?			X
<b>3</b> Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?			X
<b>4</b> Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?			X
<b>5</b> Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?			X
<b>6</b> Does the organization have members or stockholders? See Schedule O		X	
<b>7a</b> Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? See Schedule O		X	
<b>7b</b> Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?			X
<b>8</b> Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			
<b>8a</b> The governing body?		X	
<b>8b</b> Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		X	
<b>9a</b> Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?			X
<b>9b</b> If 'Yes,' does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?			
<b>10</b> Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990 See Schedule O		X	
<b>11</b> Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O			X

**Section B. Policies**

	Yes	No
<b>12a</b> Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13	X	
<b>12b</b> Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
<b>12c</b> Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done		X
<b>13</b> Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
<b>14</b> Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
<b>15</b> Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision:		
<b>15a</b> The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	X	
<b>15b</b> Other officers of key employees of the organization? See Schedule O. Describe the process in Schedule O. (see instructions)	X	
<b>16a</b> Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
<b>16b</b> If 'Yes,' has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

**Section C. Disclosures**

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ WA
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website     Another's website     Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:  
 ▶ Pat Heywood 10 N. Post Street, Ste. 220, Spokane, WA 99201-0772 (509) 624-1158

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) or more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee, or key employee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Laura E. Skaer Exec. Direc.	40	X			X		184,416.	0.	14,081.	
William Orchow President	0			X			0.	0.	0.	
George Byers 1st VP	0			X			0.	0.	0.	
Luke Russell 2nd VP	0			X			0.	0.	0.	
Peter Scott Secretary	0			X			0.	0.	0.	
Jim Maronick Treasurer	0			X			0.	0.	0.	
Vicki veltkamp Exe. Committe	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Michael Burnside Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Sheila Bush Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Ruth Carraher Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Mary Beth Donnelly Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Clyde Gillespie Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Mark Ioli Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Jeffery Parshley Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Robert Russell Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
James Taranik Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
Eric Williams Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	



**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (cont.)**

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Ted Wilton Trustee	0	X					0.	0.	0.	
<b>1b Total</b>							184,416.	0.	14,081.	

2 Total number of individuals (including those in 1a) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 1

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual.		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual.	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person.		X

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of Services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including those in 1) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶ 0

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	1a Federated campaigns.....	1a				
	b Membership dues.....	1b 402,715.				
	c Fundraising events.....	1c				
	d Related organizations.....	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions).....	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above.....	1f 17,405.				
	g Noncash contribns included in lns 1a-1f..... \$					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f..... ▶		420,120.			
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	<b>Business Code</b>					
	2a <u>Membership Dues &amp; Assessments</u>	541800	94,464.	94,464.		
	b <u>Convention &amp; Trade Show</u>		630,323.		630,323.	
	c <u>Short Course</u>		48,740.	48,740.		
	d <u>Service Directory Advert.</u>		64,150.		64,150.	
	e					
	f All other program service revenue...					
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f..... ▶		837,677.			
OTHER REVENUE	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)..... ▶		14,436.		14,436.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds..... ▶					
	5 Royalties..... ▶					
	6a Gross Rents.....	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss).....				
	d Net rental income or (loss)..... ▶					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory.	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses.....		1,884.		
		c Gain or (loss).....		-1,884.		
	d Net gain or (loss)..... ▶		-1,884.	-1,884.		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18.....	a				
		b Less: direct expenses.....	b			
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events..... ▶				
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19.....	a				
		b Less: direct expenses.....	b			
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities..... ▶						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances.....	a	341.				
	b Less: cost of goods sold.....	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory..... ▶		341.	341.		
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>		<b>Business Code</b>				
11a <u>Miscellaneous</u>		1,500.		1,500.		
b						
c						
d All other revenue.....						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d..... ▶		1,500.				
<b>12 Total Revenue.</b> Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e..... ▶		1,272,190.	141,661.	64,150.	646,259.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	184,416.			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages.	201,341.			
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions).	9,461.			
9 Other employee benefits.	42,346.			
10 Payroll taxes.	26,701.			
11 Fees for services (non-employees).				
a Management.				
b Legal.				
c Accounting.	4,913.			
d Lobbying.	42,029.			
e Prof fundraising svcs. See Part IV, ln 17.				
f Investment management fees.				
g Other.				
12 Advertising and promotion.	4,038.			
13 Office expenses.	15,097.			
14 Information technology.				
15 Royalties.				
16 Occupancy.	24,986.			
17 Travel.	42,047.			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	10,671.			
20 Interest.				
21 Payments to affiliates.				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	5,257.			
23 Insurance.	3,072.			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a <u>Miscellaneous Convention Ex.</u>	132,442.			
b <u>Contract Services</u>	85,520.			
c <u>Printing and Publications</u>	57,425.			
d <u>Equipment Rent</u>	35,890.			
e <u>Postage and Shipping</u>	22,994.			
f All other expenses.	72,581.			
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24f.	1,023,227.			
26 <b>Joint Costs.</b> Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1	Cash -- non-interest-bearing .....		1
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments .....	742,231.	2 991,190.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net .....		3
	4	Accounts receivable, net .....	93,500.	4 66,635.
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		5
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		6
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net .....		7
	8	Inventories for sale or use .....		8
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	11,768.	9 7,791.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost basis .....	10a 41,649.	
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	10b 23,743.	10c 17,906.
	11	Investments -- publicly-traded securities .....		11
	12	Investments -- other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		12
	13	Investments -- program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		13
	14	Intangible assets .....		14
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....		15 8,992.
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) .....	857,740.	16 1,092,514.	
LIABILITIES	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	193,515.	17 168,655.
	18	Grants payable .....		18
	19	Deferred revenue .....	100,251.	19 110,922.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		20
	21	Escrow account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		21
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		22
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		23
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable .....		24
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D .....		25
	26	<b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	293,766.	26 279,577.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27	Unrestricted net assets .....	558,590.	27 810,937.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets .....	3,384.	28
	29	Permanently restricted net assets .....	2,000.	29 2,000.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		30
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund .....		31
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		32
33	<b>Total net assets or fund balances.</b> .....	563,974.	33 812,937.	
34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.</b> .....	857,740.	34 1,092,514.	

**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? .....		X
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? .....	X	
2c	If 'Yes' to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? .....	X	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? .....		X
3b	If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? .....		

**SCHEDULE C**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ To be completed by organizations described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization <b>Northwest Mining Association</b>	Employer identification number <b>91-0491475</b>
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**Part I-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations.**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours. \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3).**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made?  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2 and enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?  Yes  No
- 5 State the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. Enter the amount paid and indicate if the amount was paid from the filing organization's funds or were political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's own internal funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

**Part II-A** To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)). See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- A Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.  
 B Check  if the filing organization checked box A and 'limited control' provisions apply.

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures –**  
 (The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)

	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals
1 a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying) . . . . .		
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) . . . . .		
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) . . . . .		
d Other exempt purpose expenditures . . . . .		
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) . . . . .		
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.		
<b>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</b>	<b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</b>	
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.	
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) . . . . .		
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. Enter -0- if line g is more than line a . . . . .		
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. Enter -0- if line f is more than line c . . . . .		

j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?  Yes  No

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

**Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
2 a Lobbying non-taxable amount . . . . .					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e)) . . . . .					
c Total lobbying expenditures . . . . .					
d Grassroots non-taxable amount . . . . .					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)) . . . . .					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures . . . . .					

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**Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?			
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?			
<b>i</b> Other activities? If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV.			
<b>j</b> Total lines 1c through 1i			
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?		X
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?		X
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?		X

**Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered 'No' OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered 'Yes.'** See Schedule C Instructions for details.

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	<b>1</b>	497,179.
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
<b>a</b> Current year	<b>2a</b>	30,051.
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> Total	<b>2c</b>	30,051.
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	<b>3</b>	60,718.
<b>4</b> If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	<b>4</b>	0.
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 2c total minus 3 and 4)	<b>5</b>	0.

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

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**Part IV** Supplemental Information *(continued)*



SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows 1-4 for total number, aggregate contributions, aggregate grants, and aggregate value.

- 5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or other impermissible private benefit?

Part II Conservation Easements Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

- 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).
2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Year. Rows 2a-2d for total number, acreage, and number of easements.

- 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, violations, and enforcement of the conservation easement it holds?
6 Staff or volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing easements during the year
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing easements during the year
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?
9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

- 1 a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.
b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a  Public exhibition
  - b  Scholarly research
  - c  Preservation for future generations
  - d  Loan or exchange programs
  - e  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:
- |                                 | Amount |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance             | 1c     |
| d Additions during the year     | 1d     |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e     |
| f Ending balance                | 1f     |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?  Yes  No
- b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

**Part V Endowment Funds** Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	2,000.				
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or losses	112.				
d Grants or scholarships	112.				
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	2,000.				

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - b Permanent endowment  100.00 %
  - c Term endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %

- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |   | Yes    | No |
|---|--------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations   | 3a(i)  | X  |
| (ii) related organizations  | 3a(ii) | X  |
| b If 'Yes' to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b     | X  |

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book Value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other		41,649.	23,743.	17,906.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				17,906.

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**Part VII Investments—Other Securities** See Form 990, Part X, line 12. N/A

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives and other financial products.....		
Closely-held equity interests.....		
Other _____		
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<b>Total.</b> <i>Column (b) should equal Form 990 Part X, col. (B) line 12.</i> ▶		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related** (See Form 990, Part X, line 13) N/A

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
<b>Total.</b> <i>Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, Col. (B) line 13.</i> ▶		

**Part IX Other Assets** (See Form 990, Part X, line 15) N/A

(a) Description	(b) Book value
<b>Total.</b> <i>Column (b) Total (should equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B), line 15).</i> ▶	

**Part X Other Liabilities** (See Form 990, Part X, line 25)

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
<b>Total.</b> <i>Column (b) Total (should equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25)</i> ▶	

In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48.

**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements**

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		1,272,190.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)		1,023,227.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1		248,963.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments		
5	Donated services and use of facilities		
6	Investment expenses		
7	Prior period adjustments		
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)		
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4-8		
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9		248,963.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,272,190.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
	a Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
	b Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
	c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
	d Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
	e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,272,190.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
	a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
	b Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
	c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	1,272,190.

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	1,023,227.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
	a Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
	b Prior year adjustments	2b	
	c Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	2c	
	d Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
	e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,023,227.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
	a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
	b Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
	c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	1,023,227.

**Part XIV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b.

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**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that  
answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2008**

Open to Public  
Inspection

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

91-0491475

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel  | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If line 1a is checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If 'No,' complete Part III to explain

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee   | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a:

- |  |           |  |                                     |
|--|-----------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> Receive a severance payment or change of control payment?                             | <b>4a</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? | <b>4b</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>c</b> Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?    | <b>4c</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- If 'Yes' to any of 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-8.**

**5** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- |                                    |           |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| <b>a</b> The organization?         | <b>5a</b> |  |  |
| <b>b</b> Any related organization? | <b>5b</b> |  |  |
- If 'Yes' to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- |                                    |           |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| <b>a</b> The organization?         | <b>6a</b> |  |  |
| <b>b</b> Any related organization? | <b>6b</b> |  |  |
- If 'Yes' to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.

<b>8</b> Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs. section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III	<b>8</b>		
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**BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.**

Schedule J (Form 990) 2008

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use Schedule J-1 if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations described in the instructions on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a.

(A) Name	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus and incentive compensation	(iii) Other compensation				
Laura E. Skaer	155,416.	29,000.	0.	0.	14,081.	198,497.	162,511.
(i)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(ii)							
(iii)							
(iv)							
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(xxviii)							
(xxix)							
(xxx)							

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Area with horizontal dashed lines for supplemental information.



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▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations to provide  
additional information for responses to specific questions for the  
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.

Name of the organization

Northwest Mining Association

Employer identification number

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**Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder**

The association has both corporate members and individual members.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body**

Members are able to elect the trustees for the Association.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 10 - Form 990 Review Process**

The 990 is prepared by the independent accounting firm that preformed the audit.

This is then reviewed by the Finance Director and then the Executive Director before  
being filled. A copy of the 990 is kept at the office for review by the Trustees.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process for Officers & Key Employees**

Compensation and bonuses for all employees are reviewed and approved by an  
compensation committee that is appointed by the Trustees.