

## Kennecott Utah Copper Recognized With *Earth Day Award* For Magna Concentrator Site Restoration

The Division of Oil Gas and Mining (DOG M) has awarded Kennecott Utah Copper with an *Earth Day Award* for the restoration of the Magna Concentrator. DOGM awards are given to industry leaders that go beyond strict environmental regulations to voluntarily exceed regulatory requirements to protect and improve the environment.

Following the Magna Concentrator's closure in 2001, KUC spent \$4.6 million and just under one year performing restoration activities that included:

- Tearing down of all process and support buildings and support structure.
- Removing three Utah Department of Transportation encroachments over Utah Highway 201.
- Excavation of below grade foundations.
- Placement of soil over concentrator site after re-contouring efforts had been completed.
- Reclamation and revegetating to accommodate aesthetics as well as revegetation success.
- Seeding of 16 acres of grasses and two acres of shrubs.
- Removing and recycling construction materials to a third party for reuse.

Kennecott has been recognized several times by DOGM for going beyond regulations to cleanup and protect the environment. Previous awards include:

- 1993, 1994, 1996, and 1998 – Kennecott was recognized for cleaning up historic mining wastes.
- 2002 – Kennecott was recognized for conducting several key studies to optimize reclamation and water management activities at the Bingham Canyon Mine.
- 2004 – Kennecott was recognized in 2004 for reclamation efforts at Barney's Canyon Mine.
- 2009 – Kennecott was recognized for reclaiming old mining land and putting it toward new, beneficial uses in the Daybreak Community.

Kennecott was presented with the award on April 28, 2010.