

**Q. Mine opponents have claimed that there is stressed vegetation in the Industrial Outlot and on the reclaimed mine site. Is this a sign that there is contamination?**

**A.** For the past four years Kennecott has conducted aerial color infrared photography of the reclaimed mine site, Industrial Outlot, and immediate surrounding area. The photographs are evaluated each year by ecological experts and the DNR to determine if there are any areas of stressed vegetation and what caused that stress. DNR's determination to date is that there has not been any vegetation stress that can be associated with past mining activities.



Vegetation in the Industrial Outlot