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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July, 2006

Commission File Number 28980

**ROYAL STANDARD MINERALS INC.**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)  
**3258 MOB NECK ROAD, HEATHSVILLE, VIRGINIA 22473**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicated by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.  
Form 20-F ☒ Form 40-F

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 13, 2006

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Royal Standard Minerals Inc.  
(Registrant)  
By \S\ Roland M. Larsen  
President & CEO

# ROYAL STANDARD MINERALS INC.

C.U.S.I.P. # 780919106  
LISTED: STANDARD & POORS

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## **RSM PLANS TO CARRY OUT NEVADA EXPLORATION THIS YEAR TO INCLUDE DRILL TESTING THE COPPER-GOLD AND SEVERAL GOLD/SILVER PROJECTS**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**MANHATTAN, NEVADA, MAY 8, 2006, ROYAL STANDARD MINERALS INC.** RSM plans to utilize some of the proceeds from the recent financing to complete further drill testing of the copper-gold and the gold-silver projects during the next 12 months.

The drilling program on the Pinon-Railroad property will concentrate on drill testing those areas identified as part of a copper resource study completed in 2005 for the property. The program will address the potential size of the copper-gold bearing system and further evaluate those area that returned significant copper grade and thickness from previous drilling programs that were targeted primarily for gold exploration.

Drilling is also planned to drill test a deep gold zone toward the northwest of the POD oxide gold/silver deposit. The current data base indicates that there is evidence of a northwest trending structural/stratigraphically controlled gold-silver bearing system. The drilling will begin testing the potential of this zone down plunge toward northwest.

The Pinon bulk tonnage gold-silver deposits are currently undergoing permitting for potential open pit gold-silver heap leach development project. The Company has engaged a consulting firm to complete an Environmental Assessment report for this project over the next several months. During this time the Company will be drill testing adjoining gold-silver drill targets that could be additive to the Pinon resources.

At the Fondaway gold-tungsten project RSM has filed the necessary plan of operation to re-enter the former Tenneco adit to carry out a bulk sampling program for metallurgical testing and underground drilling of the Paperweight zone gold resource.

At the Goldwedge project some of the proceeds will be allocated to purchase additional underground mining and surface equipment as part of a program to expand the rate of underground development and testing of the gold recovery plant.

RSM is an exploration and development company with advanced gold-silver projects in Nevada.

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**For more information**

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