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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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Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

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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

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# ROYAL STANDARD MINERALS INC.

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

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## RSM TO GO UNDERGROUND AT THE FONDAWAY CANYON PROPERTY

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MANHATTAN, NEVADA, JULY 26, 2006, ROYAL STANDARD MINERALS INC. (“RSM”) plans to go carry out an underground metallurgical sampling and drilling program on its 100% owned Fondaway Canyon gold-tungsten property located in Churchill County, Nevada. The Fondaway Canyon gold Property consists of 148 contiguous unpatented lode-mining claims on BLM land on the western slopes of the Stillwater Range, Churchill County, Nevada. The USBLM has approved a Plan of Operations for this project that is bonded. The program will commence with the reopening of the Tenneco adit. This effort will include reentering the existing underground workings and test mining and drilling a portion of the quartz-sulfide vein system within a folded Mesozoic shale, sandstone and limestone rock package. The principal veins at Fondaway are situated within an 11,000 foot long easterly trending belt that includes 15 separate gold bearing veins. Drilling indicates that the vein system in the area tested is persistent from the surface to a depth of approximately 1,000 feet and is open at depth.

The currently drilled gold resources are primarily within a segment of the Paperweight and Half Moon veins and include a strike length of approximately 1,000-1,200 feet to a depth of about 500 feet. These resources are currently classified in a NI-43-101 report by Strachan, 2003, as indicated and inferred. Indicated resources of 390,636 tons with an average grade of 0.428 opt Au for a total of 167,192 ounces of gold. Inferred gold resources total 372,849 tons with an average grade of 0.409 opt Au for a total of 152,621 ounces of gold within the most intensively drill tested portion of the property. Horizontal continuation of the gold-mineralization within the shear zones is remarkable. The Paperweight-Hamburger Hill mineralized shear zone is the most persistent known, with a strike length of 3,700 feet and width commonly between 5 and 20 feet. Drilling and assay records indicate that 568 holes have been drilled on the property for a total estimated footage of 200,000 feet of RC drilling and 22,000 feet of core drilling to include 455 reverse circulation, 49 core holes and 64 air track holes. Tenneco the latest and the most active company drilled approximately 350 of the 455 reverse circulation holes and drove 500 feet of adit workings for sulfide metallurgical sampling and analysis on the underground targets. Tenneco also developed and operated an open pit heap leach mine on this property before exiting the mining business in the 1990’s. Historically the property has supported minor tungsten production that is separate from the gold system, the tungsten potential needs to be evaluated.

RSM is very optimistic that the Fondaway Canyon property may prove to be one of our best projects.

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**For more information**

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