# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 6-K

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

For the month of April, 2011
Commission File Number: 001-06138

## Northgate Minerals Corporation

(Translation of registrant's name into English)
815 Hornby Street, Suite 406, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6Z 2E6
(Address of principal executive offices)
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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## SUBMITTED HEREWITH

Exhibits
99.1 Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2010
99.2 Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders
99.3 Management Information Circular
99.4 Form of Proxy

## 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.

## NORTHGATE MINERALS <br> CORPORATION <br> (Registrant)

Date: April 13, 2011
By: /s/ Jon Douglas
Jon Douglas
Title: Chief Financial Officer

