

NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY DECISION TO ISSUE
A SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENT TO AN INDIVIDUAL AQUIFER PROTECTION PERMIT

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Pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 9, Article 1, the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality intends to issue a significant amendment to an Aquifer Protection Permit (APP) to the following applicant(s):

Facility Name: Freeport-McMoRan Safford Mine

Individual Aquifer Protection Permit No. 100534, **LTF** 75301

Permittee: Freeport-McMoRan Safford Inc.

The facility is located north of Safford in Graham County, Arizona, over groundwater of the Gila River Basin, in Section 36, Township 5 South, Range 25 East; Sections 31-33, Township 5 South, Range 27 East; Sections 1-2, 11-12, 13-14 Township 6 South, Range 25 East; Sections 27-29 and 32-36, Township 5 South, Range 26 East; Sections 1-6, 7-11, and 14, Township 6 South, Range 26 East; and Sections 3-6, 7-9, Township 6 South, Range 27 East, East of the Gila and Salt River Base Line and Meridian.

The draft permit and related documentation are available for public review, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at ADEQ, 1110 West Washington Street, Records Management Center, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007. These documents are also available Digitally by E-mail or Print and Mail (fee may apply), please call (602) 771-4380 or e-mail RecordsCenter@azdeq.gov 24 hours in advance to schedule an appointment to review the file. The permit and fact sheet may be viewed online at:

<http://www.azdeq.gov/search/node/public%20notice>.

The public comment period is in effect from July 27, 2019 to August 27, 2019. Comments may be submitted in writing to: Monica Phillips, Project Manager, ADEQ, Groundwater Protection Value Stream, 1110 West Washington Street, MC 5415B-3, Phoenix, AZ 85007 or via email phillips.monica@azdeq.gov. Comments must be received or postmarked by August 27, 2019.

A public hearing request must include the reasons for such request.

ADEQ will take reasonable measures to provide access to department services to individuals with limited ability to speak, write or understand English and/or to those with disabilities. Requests for language interpretation, ASL interpretation, CART captioning services or disability accommodations must be made at least 48 hours in advance by contacting Ian Bingham, Title VI Nondiscrimination Coordinator at 602-771-4322 or Bingham.Ian@azdeq.gov. Teleprinter services are available by calling 7-1-1 at least 48 hours in advance to make necessary arrangements.

ADEQ tomará las medidas razonables para proveer acceso a los servicios del departamento a personas con capacidad limitada para hablar, escribir o entender inglés y / o para personas con discapacidades. Las solicitudes de servicios de interpretación de idiomas, interpretación ASL, subtítulos de CART, o adaptaciones por discapacidad deben realizarse con al menos 48 horas de anticipación contactando a Ian Bingham, Coordinador de Anti-Discriminación del Título VI al 602-771-4322 o Bingham.Ian@azdeq.gov. Los servicios de teleimpresores están disponibles llamando al 7-1-1 con al menos 48 horas de anticipación para hacer los arreglos necesarios.