

**PROPOSED ARIZONA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (AZPDES)
PERMIT MODIFICATION**

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act and in accordance with Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) R18-9-A907, the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) proposes to modify an Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES) Permit to discharge pollutants to Waters of the United States to the following applicant, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions:

AZPDES Permit No. AZ0026387
Arizona Minerals Inc.
2210 East Fort Lowell Road
Tucson, Arizona 85719

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Arizona Minerals Inc. applied for a major modification to the AZPDES permit for the addition of Outfall 002 with the proposed discharge of up to 6.48 million gallons per day (mgd) of treated mine drainage water, tailings seepage, groundwater, core cutting water, drilling water, and stormwater from the January Mine Hermosa Project Water Treatment Plant 2 to Harshaw Creek in the Santa Cruz River Basin in Township 23 S, Range 16 E, Section 4, in Santa Cruz County, Arizona. While the permit modification was public noticed on February 5, 2021, ADEQ has made changes to the effluent limitations and assessment levels in the draft permit. Due to these substantial changes ADEQ will re-public notice the draft permit and statement of basis.

The draft permit and statement of basis may be viewed online at <http://www.azdeq.gov/notices> by typing the permit number in the “Keywords” search box. The public notice and related documentation also are available for public review, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the [ADEQ Records Center](#), 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona, 85007. In Phoenix, please call (602) 771-4380 or e-mail recordscenter@azdeq.gov 24 hours in advance to schedule an appointment to review the file.

The public comment period is in effect from April 30, 2021 to May 31, 2021. Persons may submit comments on the proposed action in writing, to Devin McAllister, ADEQ, Water Quality Division, 1110 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or electronically to mcallister.devin@azdeq.gov. Comments must be received or postmarked by May 31, 2021. All written comments received by ADEQ of this notice will be considered in the final permit decision.

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