PUBLIC NOTICE

YOU HAVE A VOICE IN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL IN ARIZONA

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) proposes to issue Significant Permit Revision (SPR) Number 114492 to South32 Hermosa Inc. The facility is requesting to make changes to their diesel engines and natural gas engines including other adjustments to Air Quality Control Permit Number 96653. The facility is an underground zinc, silver and manganese mine located at 749 Harshaw Road, Patagonia, AZ 85624. The mailing address for the facility is 1860 E. River Road, Suite 200, Tucson, Arizona 85718. The facility is subject to the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Arizona Revised Statute (A.R.S.) § 49-426, and the Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.), Title 18, Chapter 2. The facility emits the following air contaminants: coarse particulate matter with diameters 10 micrometers or less (PM_{10}), fine particulate matter with diameters 2.5 micrometers or less ($PM_{2.5}$), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), nitrogen oxides (NO_X), sulfur dioxide (SO_2), carbon monoxide (CO), and hazardous air pollutants (HAPs).

This public notice provides information to help you participate in the decision-making process. You have an opportunity to submit written comments about this permit. To submit written comments, include your name, mailing address, signature (and/or your agent or attorney signature) and clearly explain why the permit should or should not be issued. In addition, ADEQ will hold a community meeting on November 12, 2026 at 6:00 PM including an in-person public hearing on December 10, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room at Patagonia Elementary and High School located at 200 Naugle Avenue, Patagonia, Arizona 85624.

You may comment on only those permit conditions that are being amended in this permitting action and the associated technical support document. Grounds for comment are limited to whether the permit meets the criteria for issuance spelled out in the state air pollution control laws or rules. The public notice period is in effect from November 13, 2026 to December 14, 2026. Comments may be submitted in writing to: Karla Murrieta, Air Permits Unit, ADEQ, 1110 W. Washington St., 3415A-1, Phoenix, AZ 85007 or via email to airpermits@azdeq.gov. Comments must be received by December 14, 2026.

The draft permit and related documentation are available for review online at azdeq.gov/publicnotices by searching for the date of this public notice, or in person at the ADEQ Records Center by scheduling an appointment at least 48 hours in advance. For ADEQ Records Center information, visit azdeq.gov/records, call 602-771-4380 or email recordscenter@azdeq.gov. The documents are also available at the Patagonia Town Clerk's office located at 310 McKeown Avenue, Patagonia, AZ 85624.

ADEQ will consider all comments received in making a final decision on the proposed permit. Everyone commenting will receive notification of the final decision. People who file comments on the permit will have the right to appeal the final decision as an appealable agency action to the Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) pursuant to A.R.S. § 41.1092.03, and the appeal must be filed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of the final decision. The OAH may sustain, modify, or reverse the final decision.

This permit is subject to review by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pursuant to 40 CFR 70.8 and A.A.C. R18-2-307. If EPA does not object to the issuance of this permit, you may petition to EPA within sixty (60) days after the expiration of EPA's forty-five (45)-day review period. A petition shall be based only on objections to the permit that were raised with reasonable specificity during the public

comment period, unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise such objections within such period, or unless the grounds for such objection arose after such period. Please refer to epa.gov/title-v-operating-permits/title-v-petitions for additional information. Any person who petitions to EPA pursuant to 40 CFR 70.8(d) shall notify ADEQ by certified mail as soon as possible, but in no case more than 10 days following such petition. The notification shall include the grounds for objection and whether such objections were raised during the public comment period.

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 translation, ASL interpretation, CART captioning services or disability accommodations must be made at least 48 hours in advance by contacting the Title VI Nondiscrimination Coordinator, Joaquin Marruffo Ruiz, at 520-628-6744 or Marruffo.Joaquin@azdeq.gov. For a TTY or other device, Telecommunications Relay Services are available by calling 711.

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 traducción de idiomas, interpretación ASL (lengua de signos americano), subtitulado de CART, o adaptaciones por discapacidad deben realizarse con al menos 48 horas de anticipación comunicándose con el Coordinador de Anti-Discriminación del Título VI, Joaquin Marruffo Ruiz, al 520-628-6744 o Marruffo.Joaquin@azdeq.gov Para un TTY u otro dispositivo, los servicios de retransmisión de telecomunicaciones están disponible llamando al 711.