

**NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY DECISION TO ISSUE  
A SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENT TO AN 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:** ASARCO Ray Mine Operations

**Individual Aquifer Protection Permit No. P-100525, LTF. 63882**

**Permittee:** ASARCO LLC

The facility is located in near Kearney, Pinal County Arizona, over groundwater of the Mineral Creek/Salt River Basin, in Sections 34 and 35, Township 2 South, Range 13 East, and Sections 1-4, 9-16, 22-26, 35 and 36, Township 3 South, Range 13 East, and Sections 18, 19, 29, 30, and 31, Township 3 South, Range 14 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. In Phoenix, please call (602) 771-4380 or e-mail [RecordsCenter@azdeq.gov](mailto: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>.

Persons may submit comments or request a public hearing on the proposed action, in writing, to, Monica Phillips, ADEQ, Groundwater Section, 1110 West Washington Street, MC5500E-3, Phoenix, AZ 85007 within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. A public hearing request must include the reasons for such request.

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