

## Orvana Copperwood Project

Thursday, January 24, 2013

The DEQ receives a [request to amend permit](#) MP 01 2012 for the Orvana US Corp., Copperwood Mine.

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April 30, 2012

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) approved a [Part 632 Mining Permit](#) to Orvana Resources US Corp. for the proposed Copperwood Mine in Gogebic County, Michigan.

[Response to public comments](#) document is available.

Additional permits are required for the Copperwood Mine, including permits for air emissions, water discharges, wetlands impacts, and inland lakes and streams modifications. The DEQ is still reviewing those applications. The mining permit is not effective until all other Michigan environmental permits for the proposed mining operation are issued.

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Friday February 17

The DEQ issues a proposed decision to grant a Mining Permit to Orvana Resources US Corp. (ORUSC) for the proposed Copperwood Mine.

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Wednesday February 15, 2012

The DEQ issues draft General Permit Conditions Nonferrous Metallic Mineral Mining Permit No. MP 01 2012 Orvana US Corp - Copperwood Mine Part 632, 1994 P.A. 451, and notifies the applicant.

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Wednesday February 1, 2012

The DEQ posts response to public comments about the Orvana Copperwood mine.

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Monday January 30, 2012

The DEQ receives a request to toll the permit application review process from Orvana Minerals.

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Friday January 6, 2012

The DEQ receives a request to toll the permit application review process from Orvana Minerals.

The DEQ receives Responses to the DEQ Request for Information from Orvana Minerals.

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Tuesday January 3, 2012

The DEQ receives a request from the applicant to toll the review process.

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Wednesday, December 14, 2011

The DEQ Copperwood Application Review Team forwards a request for information to the applicant.

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## **Monday October 31, 2011**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

ORVANA RESOURCES US CORP COPPERWOOD MINE PERMIT APPLICATION

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Office of Oil, Gas, and Minerals, will conduct a public meeting on the application for a mining permit for the proposed Copperwood Mine submitted by Orvana Resources US Corp. The location of the proposed mine is in Ironwood and Wakefield Townships, Gogebic County, Michigan. The application was submitted under the requirements of Part 632, Nonferrous Metallic Mineral Mining, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. The MDEQ received the application on September 23, 2011, and determined it to be administratively complete on September 26, 2011.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for interested parties to exchange information through informal discussions and formal comments on the application. The meeting will be held on November 9, 2011, at Gogebic Community College, Lindquist Student Center - Courtside Dining Area, E-4946 Jackson Road, Ironwood, Michigan 49938, according to the following schedule:

6:00 to 7:00 p.m. informal meeting

7:15 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. formal public comments

Note: all times are Central Standard Time (CST) The MDEQ will accept written comments on the application from interested persons until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 7, 2011. Send written comments via US mail to: MDEQ, Office of Oil, Gas, and Minerals, 525 W. Allegan St., P.O. Box 30256, Lansing, Michigan 48909; or via email . Another public hearing will be held later on the proposed permit decision.

A copy of the application may be reviewed at the following locations:

MDEQ Upper Peninsula District Office, 420 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Gwinn, Michigan 49841

Contact Tina Coluccio, 906-346-8520

MDEQ Office of Oil, Gas, and Minerals, 525 W. Allegan St., Lansing, Michigan 48933

Contact Steve Wilson,

Gogebic Community College Library, E-4946 Jackson Road, Ironwood, Michigan 49938

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## **Tuesday, September 27, 2011**

Copies of the application files are uploaded to the web and available for public access.

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## **Monday, September 26, 2011**

The DEQ determined that the application is "Administratively Complete."

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## **Friday September 23, 2011**

The Department of Environmental Quality, Resource Management Division, Office of Geological Survey received the application files for the Orvana Copperwood Project. A Permit Application Review Team has been created to review the materials provided.

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