

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
COPPERWOOD MINE  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION AND HEARING**

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is holding a coordinated public information session and hearing on **October 24, 2018, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. (CDT) at Gogebic Community College Lindquist Student and Conference Center, Upper Level Conference Room, E-4946 Jackson Road, Ironwood, Michigan 49938** to hear testimony regarding the following proposed decisions:

- (1) The proposed decision to grant, with conditions, a request submitted by Copperwood Resources Inc. to amend Mining Permit MP 01 2012, issued under Part 632, Nonferrous Metallic Mineral Mining (Part 632), of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA).
- (2) The proposed conditional approval of Permit to Install (PTI) Application Number 180-11A. It has been preliminarily determined that the installation of the copper mining and ore processing facility will not violate any of the MDEQ's rules nor the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

Address of applicant: Copperwood Resources Inc.  
310 US Highway 2  
Wakefield, Michigan 49968

Location of mining area: Within Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12 of T49N, R46W; Sections 6, 7, and 8 of T49N, R45W; Sections 35 and 36 of T50N, R46 W; Ironwood and Wakefield Townships; Gogebic County

An informational session will begin at 6:00 p.m., at which time staff will be available to answer questions. The public hearing will follow at 7:00 p.m. to take formal testimony. Participants will be asked to fill out attendance cards at the entrance of the hearing room and indicate whether they intend to speak. Following opening remarks at the start of the hearing, participants will be called to speak in the order of cards received. Presentations will be limited to three minutes.

The DEQ will accept written comment on the proposed decision to grant the request to amend the Mining Permit from the date of the hearing until **November 21, 2018, 5:00 P.M. EST**. Comments may be mailed to MDEQ/OGMD, 1504 West Washington Street, Marquette, MI 49855, or e-mail comments to [DEQ-Mining-Comments@michigan.gov](mailto:DEQ-Mining-Comments@michigan.gov) with "Copperwood Mine" as the subject. For additional information, contact Melanie Humphrey, MDEQ Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division, 906-250-7564, or e-mail [humphreym@michigan.gov](mailto:humphreym@michigan.gov).

The Copperwood Mining Permit Amendment Application documents are located on the following DEQ webpage under NON-FERROUS METALLIC MINING, Recent Developments in Part 632 Projects, Copperwood Project Permit Amendment:  
[https://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3311\\_18442-359902--,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3311_18442-359902--,00.html)

The DEQ is currently accepting comments regarding the proposed conditional approval of PTI Application Number 180-11A until **October 24, 2018**. Written comments may be sent to Ms. Annette Switzer, Permit Section Manager, MDEQ, AQD, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan, 48909-7760. Comments may also be submitted from the webpage <http://www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/cwerp.shtml> (click on "Submit Comment" under the Copperwood Resources, Inc., PTI Application No. 180-11A listing).

Other permits pending or anticipated under the NREPA for the Copperwood Mine Project: Part 315 Dam Safety Permit; National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit renewal; Part 301 Inland Lakes and Streams, Part 303 Wetlands Protection, and Part 325 Great Lakes Submerges Lands Permit; Part 327 Water Withdrawal Permit

Individuals needing accommodations for effective participation at the hearing should contact Tina Coluccio, 906-228-4524 one week in advance of the hearing date to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.