Public Hearing: Tyrone Mine Public Hearing

The New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Mining and Minerals Division (MMD) hereby gives notice of a public hearing on the application by Freeport-McMoRan Tyrone Operations (Tyrone), the operator of the Tyrone Mine, for a proposed expansion of the Tyrone Mine for the Emma Project and closeout plan. The Tyrone Mine is a copper mine located approximately ten miles south of Silver City near the town of Tyrone, Grant County, New Mexico. MMD's Permit Number for the mine is GR010RE.

The closeout plan for the Tyrone Mine was approved by MMD under Revision 01-1, on April 12, 2004; it has been updated under Revision 09-1 approved on March 29, 2021. On October 22, 2021, Tyrone submitted an application to expand the Tyrone Mine for the Emma Project and closeout plan. MMD assigned Revision 21-1 to process the application. Tyrone has submitted supplemental information including responses to MMD and state agency comments and a proposed closeout plan cost estimate. A copy of the application and supplemental information for the Tyrone Mine Emma Project and closeout plan is available for viewing on the MMD website at:

https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/mmd/mining-act-reclamation-program/pending-and-approved-mineapplications/mining-applications-regular-existing/gr010re-tyrone-revision-21-1/?et_fb=1&PageSpeed=off

The purpose of the hearing is to give the public an opportunity to learn about and comment on the proposed Tyrone Mine Emma Project. Representatives of MMD, Tyrone, and the Gila Resources Information Project (GRIP) will be making presentations. The mine's mailing address is:

Freeport-McMoRan Tyrone Operations P.O. Box 571 Tyrone, New Mexico 88065.

The public hearing is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **August 16**, **2022 at 5:00 pm**. The location of the public hearing will be at the **Grant County Veteran's Business & Conference Center**, **3031 US-180**, **Silver City**, **NM 88061**

The public hearing will also be held online using the WebEx Event application. If you wish to participate in the public hearing, please send an email to: <u>EMNRD.MMD2@state.nm.us</u>. MMD will respond with information to enable participation in the WebEx public hearing.

Written comments regarding the proposed Tyrone Mine Emma Project and closeout plan may be submitted to the Director of the Mining and Minerals Division at the following address:

Jerry Schoeppner, Director Mining and Minerals Division NM Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505 Written comments may be sent to MMD until a date after the public hearing determined by MMD Director.

For additional information, please contact the Mining and Minerals Division, Mining Act Reclamation Program at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505 or contact David Ohori, Permit Lead, at (505) 216-8945, or by e-mail at david.ohori@state.nm.us.