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September 26, 2024

Dear Interested Party:

We are sending you this information because you may be interested in air quality related activities associated with Copperwood Resources, Inc. (Copperwood). The company has submitted an air permit application (No. APP-2023-0218 which is available on our [Applications of Interest](#) webpage) for the proposed installation and operation of a copper and silver mining and ore processing facility. The facility is proposed to be located in Ironwood (T49N, R46W) & Wakefield (T49N, R45W) Townships, Gogebic County, Michigan.

The law requires the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) to open some actions for the public to comment on, such as what Copperwood is requesting. Public comments are a very important part of making sure the application has been thoroughly reviewed.

Information about the air permit application, such as a summary of the proposed project, the proposed permit conditions, and the fact sheet containing the regulatory analysis are available to review. This information, as well as what we can consider in our decision, may be found at Michigan.gov/EGLEAirPublicNotice, select "[Applications Open for Comment](#)" or you may contact me for printed copies.

If you decide to comment on this proposed air permit, you may submit comments in a variety of ways by November 13, 2024:



E-mail your comment to EGLE-AQD-PTIPublicComments@Michigan.gov



Mail your comment to Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division, Permit Section, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.



Leave us a voicemail comment by calling 517-284-0900.



At the virtual public hearing to be held on October 30, 2024.

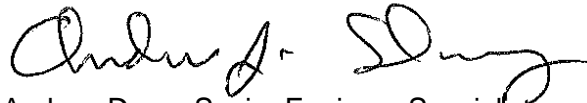
A virtual information session and virtual hearing will be held on October 30, 2024, starting at 6:00 p.m. CDT (7:00 p.m. EDT). EGLE staff will provide a summary of the proposed project and the technical review completed with an opportunity for the public to ask questions. The virtual public hearing will be immediately following to take official comments on the record.

Questions may be submitted ahead of the meeting to me, or to the mailing address or email address listed above. You may pre-register at any time or join at 6:00 p.m. CDT (7:00 p.m. EDT) on October 30 at: <https://bit.ly/4cQm8oW>. Call in to listen only at 636-651-3142 and use conference code 374288.

The AQD will review and consider all comments received during the comment period before making the final decision, and a written response and a copy of the decision made about the proposed permit will be provided to you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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