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Public Invited to Comment on Kennecott's Proposed Ground Water Discharge Permit

Salt Lake City, UT – The public comment begins today on Kennecott Utah Copper's proposal to modify an existing ground water permit to relocate and rebuild the water collection and capture system for the Bingham Canyon Mine. The East Waste Rock Extension is an alternative method for managing rock and soil overburden from within the mine's current operational boundaries. The current water collection system will be covered and a new capture system will be installed.

Starting today the public can provide comments through the public comment period which ends at close of business on April 26. Two public information meetings and a public comment hearing are on tap for stakeholders and the public to learn about the proposed modification.

Details about the modification request can be found on http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/GroundWater/documents/kennecott/EWRExtension/ or can be viewed in person at the Division of Water Quality (DWQ), 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City. Questions about the project can be directed to Dan Hall, environmental scientist with DWQ, at (801) 536-4413.

Comments received during the public comment period will be considered in formulating the final conditions imposed on the permit. Comments will be accepted at any of the meetings listed below and in person or in writing through the end of the public comment period at:

Division of Water Quality
PO Box 144870
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870

Meeting Dates & Locations:
Public Information Meeting
March 21, 6:00-8:00 PM
Utah Division of Environmental Quality
Board Room

195 North 1950 West
Salt Lake City, UT

Public Information Meeting & Public Comment Hearing
April 8
Public Information Meeting 6:00-7:30 PM
Public Comment Hearing 7:30-8:30 PM
Daybreak Community Center
4544 West Harvest Moon Drive
South Jordan, UT

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