

## **Public Notice**

APPLICANT: Northshore Mining

Company

ISSUED: 27 AUG 2020 EXPIRES: 26 SEP 2020

REFER TO: MVP-2015-02528-RMM SECTION: 404 - Clean Water Act

1. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), St. Paul District, will extend the public comment period on the Department of the Army permit application for the Northshore Mine Milepost 7 tailings basin progression project (Project) an additional 30 days, from August 27, 2020, to September 26, 2020.

The Corps is currently evaluating a permit request for construction-related activities affecting water resources associated with the proposed Northshore Mine Milepost 7 tailings basin progression project. The Corps public notice can be found at:

https://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Public-Notices/Article/2290307/2015-02528-mm-lake-county-mn-northshore-mining-company-project/. Please note that comments submitted previously do not need to be re-submitted.

## 2. REPLIES/COMMENTS

The Corps is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The Corps has regulatory authority under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The Corps regulates placement of fill material in wetlands and other waters. Under the authority listed above, the Corps does not regulate the overall construction or operation of mines. Interested parties are invited to submit to this office written facts, arguments, or objections. These statements should bear upon the impacts to wetlands and waterways as a result of the construction-related activities in Northshore's application and should, if appropriate, suggest any changes believed to be desirable. Comments received may be forwarded to the applicant.

Comments regarding the changes described in this public notice may be sent to:

Written comments may be emailed to: Ryan.M.Malterud@usace.army.mil

Written comments may be mailed to: Ryan Malterud

St. Paul District Corps of Engineers,

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180 Fifth Street East, Suite 700 Saint Paul, MN 55101-1678.

## Regulatory Branch (File No. 2015-02528-RMM)

Or, IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT, call Ryan Malterud at the St. Paul District office of the Corps, telephone number 651-290-5286.

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