

PUBLIC NOTICE MORENCI WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Freeport-McMoRan Morenci Inc. (FMMI) is in the process of replacing its wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) with a new facility. The new WWTP will continue to service the FMMI mine as well as the Morenci Townsite. FMMI provides this service free-of-charge to all residents and businesses.

The new WWTP will be moved to allow the mining operations of FMMI to expand with Phase 2 of the tailings expansion project. The location will be approximately 0.5 miles east southeast of the existing WWTP.

FMMI will also continue to pump Clifton's effluent to Morenci for use in the mining processes. The new WWTP will be a state-of-the-art facility. The effluent leaving the facility will have a Class B+ quality (the current WWTP only treats to Class C). This allows Morenci to use the water for parks and sports field if the need ever arises.

Morenci's new WWTP is a zero-discharge facility. The entire facility will be constructed of concrete and steel, and will be able to be inspected regularly. The new facility will continue to be operated under FMMI's Aquifer Protection Permit (APP P-100193) issued by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), and will not discharge to the aquifer nor surface waters.

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