

Statement of Basis

Open-Cut Mining General Permit 0002-MN-AG2

In Part IV of Open-Cut Mining General Permit 0002-MN-AG2, the Special Conditions listed are requirements for mining operations to have the appropriate water permits for the control of stormwater or other water permits as necessary for the proposed mining operation.

In Part V of Open-Cut Mining General Permit 0002-MN-AG2, the Standard Permit Conditions listed are the appropriate standard conditions found in Reg.15.402 for an individual open-cut mining permit.