

Statement of Basis

Open-Cut Mining General Permit 0002-MN-AG2

In Part V of Open-Cut Mining General Permit 002-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 VI 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.