



NOTICE of REVIEW APDES Preliminary Draft Permit

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program
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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF AN ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) **PRELIMINARY DRAFT PERMIT** TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

ADEC has prepared an APDES preliminary draft permit for [Kensington Gold Project, Coeur Alaska Inc.](#) Prior to the formal 30-day public notice period, ADEC invites you to review the preliminary draft permit, fact sheet, and associated documents. Public comments will be accepted during the formal 30-day public review period. You can access the documents at ADEC's Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program web page at:
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwdp/index.htm>

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Preliminary Draft Permit Review:

Start Date: [11/30/2010](#)
End Date: [12/13/2010](#)

Permit No.: [AK0050571](#)

Applicant:

[Coeur Alaska Inc.](#)
[Kensington Gold Project](#)
[45 Miles north of Juneau, AK](#)
[3031 Clinton Drive, Juneau, AK 99801](#)

Proposed Project and Location:

The Kensington gold project is located 45 miles north of Juneau Alaska. The mine operates two wastewater treatment facilities, one located at the tailings treatment facility, and one located

above Sherman Creek.

The tailing treatment facility water treatment plant will receive water from slurry transport of settled tailings, as well as undiverted natural inflows from drainage areas immediately adjacent to the tailings treatment facility, and infrequent overflows from the Upper Slate Lake diversion structure. The treated wastewater is discharged through outfall 002 into the Upper Slate Lake diversion pipe. The diversion pipe conducts the combined water to the head of East Fork Slate Creek.

Mine drainage is treated at the mine water treatment plant and discharged to Sherman Creek through outfall 001.

Administrative Record:

The APDES preliminary draft permit, fact sheet, and associated documents are available for public review at the ADEC offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Soldotna, and Wasilla. Please contact the office of your choice to arrange for hard copies of the documents to be available for your review.

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If you would like to see any additional supporting technical documents, contact [Kenwyn George](#).

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