

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS

69A Hagood Avenue

Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107

REGULATORY DIVISION

Refer to: P/N SAC-1992-24122

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) has scheduled a public scoping meeting for the Haile Gold Mine Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement on **Thursday, April 18, 2019**, in the auditorium at the Andrew Jackson High School, 6925 Kershaw Camden Highway, Kershaw, SC 29067. All interested individuals are invited to attend.

Haile Gold Mine, Inc., a subsidiary of OceanaGold Corporation, has submitted a proposal to the Corps to expand an existing and operating gold mine (Haile Gold Mine) in the vicinity of Kershaw, South Carolina. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is required to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

The meeting will include an open house between **6:00–7:00PM** and members of the public will be invited to provide statements which will be recorded by a court reporter between **7:00-9:00PM**.

The proposed project is to expand mining operations at the existing Haile Gold Mine near Kershaw, SC. The proposed project would include expansion of surface mining and associated mine pits and overburden storage facilities, initiation of underground mining at the Horseshoe deposit, and increased ore processing through optimization of the mill and related infrastructure including expansion of the water management system and existing tailings storage facility. Proposed mining activities in the expanded proposed project would focus on areas affected by past mining activities and additional land purchased by Haile to support proposed mining expansion activities. Additional project information and an opportunity to provide written comments is available on the Haile Gold Mine SEIS website at: <http://hailegoldmineeis.com>.

For information about this project, to be included on the mailing list for future updates and meeting announcements, or to receive a copy of the draft EIS when it is issued, contact Mr. Shawn Boone, Project Manager, by telephone: (843) 329-8158 or toll free (866) 329-8187, or by mail: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, 69A Hagood Avenue, Charleston, SC 29403. Requests may also be submitted via the project website (<http://hailegoldmineeis.com>). For inquiries from the media, please contact the Corps, Charleston District Corporate Communications Officer (CCO), Ms. Glenn Jeffries, by telephone: (843) 329–8123.