

SURFACE MINING PERMITS APPLICATION CHECKLIST

INFORMATION:

An online **DRP – Base Application – Permits and Reviews** must be completed via EPIC-LA (<https://epicla.lacounty.gov>). Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Please refer to "File an Application" (planning.lacounty.gov/how-do-i/file-an-application).

Applicants are advised to consult with planning staff prior to applying at **213-974-6411** or info@planning.lacounty.gov.

- A. [Owner Acknowledgement Form](#)
- B. [Surface Mining Permit Supplemental Form](#)
- C. Provide one (1) digital PDF copy of a site plan depicting the following:
 - 1. The area and dimensions of the proposed mining site,
 - 2. The location and dimensions of all topographic features of such lands,
 - 3. The location and dimensions of all existing and proposed buildings and structures, including roads, railroads, fences, gates, walls, parking and loading facilities, and signs on the site,
 - 4. The location and dimensions of proposed processing, storage and ponding areas,
 - 5. The location of all existing and proposed roads intended to provide access to major or secondary highways and parkways,
 - 6. The location, width and grade of all easements or rights-of-way on or adjacent to the property,
 - 7. The location of all areas on the property subject to inundation or flood hazard and the locations, width and directions of flow of all watercourses and flood control channels which may be affected by the mining operations,
 - 8. Existing elevations of the site in contours of 25-foot intervals,
 - 9. Typical cross-sections showing the extent of overburden, extent of mineral deposits, and the existing ground-water level;
- D. Provide a reclamation plan including the following information and documents:
 - 1. The estimated time schedule for the beginning and completion of reclamation activities. If the mining operation is to be accomplished in phases, the time schedule shall indicate the estimated beginning and completion of reclamation activities for each phase.
 - 2. An estimate of the cost of completion of reclamation activities, computed at current cost at the time proposed in the time schedule submitted for completion of reclamation plan.
 - 3. A description of the existing vegetation at and surrounding the site.
 - 4. A general description of the geology of the surrounding area and a detailed description of the geology at the reclamation site.
 - 5. A description of the proposed use of potential uses of land after reclamation, and evidence that all owners of a possessory interest in the land have been notified of the proposed use or potential uses.

6. A description of the manner in which reclamation, adequate for the proposed use of potential uses, will be accomplished, including:
 - a. The manner in which mining wastes and related contaminants will be controlled and disposed of;
 - b. The manner in which affected streambed channels and streambanks will be rehabilitated to a condition minimizing erosion and sedimentation.
7. An assessment of the effect of implementation of the reclamation plan on future mining in the area.
8. A statement by the applicant that he accepts responsibility for reclaiming mined lands in accordance with the approved reclamation plan.
9. A statement by the applicant that he accepts responsibility for all completed reclamation work for a period of two years or such greater period as deemed necessary by the commission to assure the permanency of all features of the reclamation plan. This subsection shall not apply to normal maintenance and repairs unrelated to the reclamation work on public facilities where dedicated to and accepted by the county of Los Angeles.

E. Land Use Maps– see Instructions for Preparing a Zoning Application – Part E. Vicinity Maps.

F. Initial Study

Submit one completed Initial Study Questionnaire. The staff of the Department of Regional Planning will review your completed “Initial Study Questionnaire” to determine the proper environmental document that will be required.

State law, effective January 1, 1978, requires that certain actions must be taken after a project application has been submitted. These actions include (1) a determination as to completeness of the application within 30 days, and (2) completion of processing within one year from the date on which a project application has been accepted as complete, **THE MATERIALS HEREWITH BEING SUBMITTED DO NOT CONSTITUTE A COMPLETE FILING OR AN ACCEPTANCE BY THE COUNTY.** Within 30 days from the date noted on the Fee Receipt, the applicant or his agent will be mailed a statement notifying him that either:

1. The County has accepted the application as a complete filing and that the one year period for approval/disapproval will start as of the date specified in the letter of notification, or
2. The application is incomplete and requires additional materials/information as specified in the letter.

It should also be noted that additional environmental material/data may be required before project processing can begin and a public hearing meeting scheduled. The results of the staff environmental review (Initial Study) will be sent to you as soon as possible. **AT THE TIME THE INITIAL STUDY IS COMPLETED, YOU WILL ALSO BE INFORMED OF ANY ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL FEES REQUIRED.**

Any questions regarding the Initial Study, please email info@planning.lacounty.gov.