

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.63103b Mining and reclamation plan.**

Sec. 63103b.

The mining and reclamation plan submitted under section 63103a shall include all of the following for the total project:

- (a) The method and direction of mining.
- (b) Surface overburden stripping plans.
- (c) The depth of grade level over the entire site from which the ferrous mineral will be removed.
- (d) Provisions for grading, revegetation, and stabilization that will minimize soil erosion, sedimentation, and public safety concerns.
- (e) The location of buildings, equipment, stockpiles, roads, or other features necessary to the mining activity and provisions for their removal and restoration of the area at the project termination.
- (f) The interim use or uses of reclaimed areas before the cessation of the entire mining operation.
- (g) Maps and other supporting documents required by the department.
- (h) Fencing or other techniques to minimize trespass or unauthorized access to the mining activity.
- (i) If required by the department when mining activity below the water table is proposed, a hydrogeological survey of the surrounding area.
- (j) If threatened or endangered species are identified, an indication of how the threatened or endangered species will be protected or, if not protected, what mitigation measures will be performed.
- (k) If the proposed mining activity includes beneficiation or treatment of the ferrous ore or material mined for its ferrous content, the application documents shall include specific plans depicting the beneficiation and treatment methods and techniques, and manufacturer's material safety data sheets on all chemicals or other additives that are not natural to the site, that will be utilized in the process. The operator shall obtain all applicable state and federal permits before beginning the beneficiation process.

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