

Compliance Bulletin

Elimination of Paper Courthouse Copies of Pending Applications

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection – Division of Mining and Reclamation is pleased to announce that all pending applications will be viewable, on the internet, via a web address provided in the public notice.

This web address can be accessed by any computer with internet access, regardless of location. This is the Public Query found in eSS that is familiar to most everyone:

https://apps.dep.wv.gov/webapp/_dep/securearea/public_query/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm

The Division of Mining and Reclamation believes this effort will allow for improved public accessibility, better transparency, and reduce the paper waste of providing a copy of the pending application at the county courthouse.

The web address provided in the public notice will direct the user to a search page. From this page, pending applications can be searched by applicant, permit number, or county. Once the user selects the pending application of interest, it can be viewed in its entirety.



The public notice will read as follows:

“Written comments and/or requests for an informal conference of the application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Supervisor at the DEP address above until _____, or thirty (30) days from date of final publication. A copy of the application will be available for review until _____, or thirty (30) days from date of final publication in the DEP Regional Office located at the address above and is available at:

[http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm.](http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm)”