
A Notice by the United States Geological Survey on August 15, 2022


Action: Notice of Study

Summary:
In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has issued a Notice of Study for an Environmental Assessment (EA) of a proposed laboratory and office facility to support USGS and Colorado School of Mines Energy and Mineral Science Operations. This Notice of Study initiates a period of study for the EA not to exceed one year.

Dates:
The EA is scheduled to be completed next spring, 2023.

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Supplementary Information:
The objective of the EA is to identify and analyze potential impacts from the proposed construction of the new USGS Energy and Minerals Research Facility (EMRF) on the Colorado School of Mines (Mines) campus in Golden, CO. The project has been proposed in response to deteriorating conditions at existing USGS research facilities located on the Denver Federal Center campus in Lakewood, CO. These existing facilities lack the ability to provide a safe working environment for employees and the environmental controls needed to safely house and operate precision laboratory equipment owned by USGS. In addition, the layout and location of these facilities inhibits the collaborative research environment desired by USGS. The EMRF would provide modern and safe facilities in addition to collaborative research opportunities between USGS staff and Mines staff and students.