DE Montana Department of Environmental Quality HARD ROCK MINING FEES

PLEASE NOTE:

- 1. The following Hard Rock Mining fees are effective as of July 1, 2025, as enacted under House Bill 69.
- 2. The Annual Report and Fee are due within 30 days after each anniversary date of the permit, unless another due date has been approved by DEQ.
- 3. The Annual Fee (including fees for revisions and minor amendments submitted within the previous 12 months) will be invoiced to the operator prior to the anniversary date of the permit or at least 30 days prior to the alternate deadline approved by DEQ.

Non-Rock Products Operations

NON-ROCK PRODUCTS APPLICATION FEE		NON-ROCK PRODUCTS ANNUAL	FEE
New Permit Application	\$5,000	Up to 100 acres bonded disturbance	\$1,000
Major Amendment	\$5,000	100 – 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$3,000
Minor Amendment or Revision (To be paid with the annual fee)	\$100	More than 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$5,000
		Government entity (no bond required)	\$100
Tailings Storage Facility Design Document (New or Expansion)	\$1,500		

Rock Products Operations Fees are available on the next page.



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ROCK PRODUCTS APPLICATION FEES

New Permit Application	\$500
Major Amendment	\$500
Minor Amendment or Revision (To be paid with the annual fee)	\$100

Rock products as defined under
Section 82-4-303(29), Montana Code
Annotate (MCA), means decorative
rock, building stone, riprap, mineral
aggregates, and other minerals
produced by typical quarrying
activities or collected from or just
below the ground surface that do not
contain sulfides with the potential to
produce acid, toxic, or otherwise
pollutive solutions. The term does
not include talc, gypsum, limestone,
metalliferous ores, gemstones, or
materials extracted by underground
mining.

ROCK PRODUCTS OPERATIONS

ROCK PRODUCTS ANNUAL Permit Anniversary Date 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2026	FEE
Up to 100 acres bonded disturbance	\$250
100 – 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$750
More than 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$1,250
Government entity (no bond required)	\$100
ROCK PRODUCTS ANNUAL Permit Anniversary Date 7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027	FEE
Up to 100 acres bonded disturbance	\$500
100 – 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$1,500
More than 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$2,500
Government entity (no bond required)	\$100
ROCK PRODUCTS ANNUAL Permit Anniversary Date 7/1/2027 – 6/30/2028	FEE
Up to 100 acres bonded disturbance	\$750
100 – 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$2,250
More than 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$3,750
Government entity (no bond required)	\$100
ROCK PRODUCTS ANNUAL Permit Anniversary Date After 7/1/2028	FEE
Up to 100 acres bonded disturbance	\$1,000
100 – 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$3,000
More than 500 acres bonded disturbance	\$5,000
Government entity (no bond required)	\$100



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