

Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board

Small Business Impact Statement

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Please describe the methods your agency considered or used to reduce the impact on small businesses

The Department consulted with the Industrial Minerals Advisory Council prior to initiating a rulemaking. This fee increase is the first proposed since establishment of the Geologic Resources Fund in 2008.

Please explain how your agency has involved small businesses in the development of the proposed rule.

The Department has engaged stakeholders by presenting the fee increase scenarios to the Industrial Minerals Advisory Council and Missouri Mining Commission prior to the proposed rulemaking. The Industrial Minerals Advisory Council recommended this rulemaking in its December 2022 annual meeting.

Please list the probable monetary costs and benefits to your agency and any other agencies affected. Please include the estimated total amount your agency expects to collect from additionally imposed fees and how the moneys will be used.

The Department anticipates approximately \$50,000 in additional annual revenue from this fee increase. This revenue is used to support the industrial minerals industry in Missouri pursuant to Section 256.700, RSMo.

Please describe small businesses that will be required to comply with the proposed rule and how they may be adversely affected.

This regulation increases fees for surface mining operations, except for operators of gravel mining operations where the annual tonnage of gravel mined by such operator is less than five thousand (5,000) tons. Fee increases are within statutory limits pursuant to Section 256.700, RSMo.

Please list direct and indirect costs (in dollars amounts) associated with compliance.

The direct cost of compliance with this regulation will vary depending on the specific surface mining operation and is approximately \$250 annually. No indirect costs are anticipated with compliance of this regulation.

Please list types of business that will be directly affected by, bear the cost of, or directly benefit from the proposed rule.

Surface mining operations.

Does the proposed rule include provisions that are more stringent than those mandated by comparable or related federal, state, or county standards?

Yes No

If yes, please explain the reason for imposing a more stringent standard.

For further guidance in the completion of this statement, please see [§536.300, RSMo.](#)