

PUBLIC HEARING STATEMENT | MARCH 29, 2023

(1) Who I am...

- a. Stephen E. Speyer
- b. I have a MS and PhD in Geological Sciences from the University of Rochester.
- c. I have been a Registered Professional Geologist in the State of Arizona since 1994.
- d. I have over 30 years as a consulting environmental scientist.
- e. I am a subject matter expert in the areas of contaminant assessment, fate and transport analysis and modeling, and statistical assessments of environmental data.

(2) Who I am representing...

- a. I am representing the interests of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt.
- b. I have been identified by majority vote of the Dewey-Humboldt Town Council as the Town's representative on technical matters related to the Iron King Mine-Humboldt Smelter Superfund Site.
- c. The Town's voice is important. Superfund law says that state and community acceptance is required for the selection of the remedy.

(3) My role in the process...

- a. I am a member of the Town's team of advisors who is engaged to review and assess the environmental impacts of the Iron King Mine Humboldt Smelter Superfund Site on the Town and its residents.
- b. My role is to serve the Town and its team of advisors as an expert environmental scientist. In this capacity I review and assess documents generated by USEPA and ADEQ regarding the Superfund Site. These documents have included the Remedial Investigation (RI) provided by CH2M-Hill (2016), Feasibility Study (FS) provided by Tetra Tech (2022), and Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP) distributed by USEPA (2023).
- c. My role also involves discussing my findings with and communicating their implications to the Town Council.
- d. I will assist the Town and its team of advisors in preparing and submitting written comments to EPA about the RI/FS and PRAP. These comments will be submitted during the Public Response Period that closes on May 13, 2023.