

Bulk Salt Storage and Scrap Metal Facility Site Improvements - Fact Sheet

- **Project:** Bulk Salt Storage and Scrap Metal Facility Site Improvements
- **Applicant:** Sims Metal East, LLC
- **Facility:** Port Albany Salt Storage and Scrap Metal Processing Facility, 140 Port Road South, Bethlehem, NY 12202
- **NYSDEC Application Number:** DEC #4-0122-00143/00001
- **An abbreviated Public Participation Plan (PPP) has been developed in accordance with the March 10, 2026 Notice of Continued Incomplete Application from NYSDEC**

What is the Proposed Project?

The Proposed Project will update the existing industrial stormwater treatment practices at the Port Albany Salt Storage and Scrap Metal Processing Facility. To implement the proposed project, Sims Metal has submitted an application for the renewal of its existing State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) Individual Permit to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to improve continuing operations of the existing facility. The purpose of this fact sheet is to inform the public about this proposed project and to involve the community during the NYSDEC permit process.

Why does Sims Metal need to modify the current SPDES Individual Permit?

Sims Metal is improving the facility layout and implementing a redesigned treatment system for the salt operations. These updates will provide the best opportunity to achieve compliance with applicable effluent water quality parameters.

How might the project affect the surrounding community?

The proposed facility improvements will not change the use of the facility, nor will it impact the environmental resources of the facility or surrounding community. These improvements to the facility's existing stormwater treatment and conveyance system are intended to minimize the concentration of pollutants into surface and groundwaters of New York State.

How can I participate in the permit review process?

Ask questions, express concerns, provide input or submit by comments in writing, by phone or email to the project contact person identified below.

Where can I get more information about the proposed project?

- Visit the online document repository at <https://www.simsmm.com/permits/> to obtain application materials, relevant documents, and information about the project.
- Contact Dan McIntyre by phone at: (858) 200-6042, by email at: dan.mcintyre@simsmm.com or in writing at: 140 Port Road South, Bethlehem, NY 12202 for information on the project or to find out about the status of the permit application and public comment period.

Who is responsible for reviewing the Permit Application?

- NYSDEC Region 4 Headquarters, 1130 North Westcott Road, Schenectady NY 12306, is responsible for reviewing and issuing the required permits. Tel: (518) 357-2068; email: r4dep@dec.ny.gov.