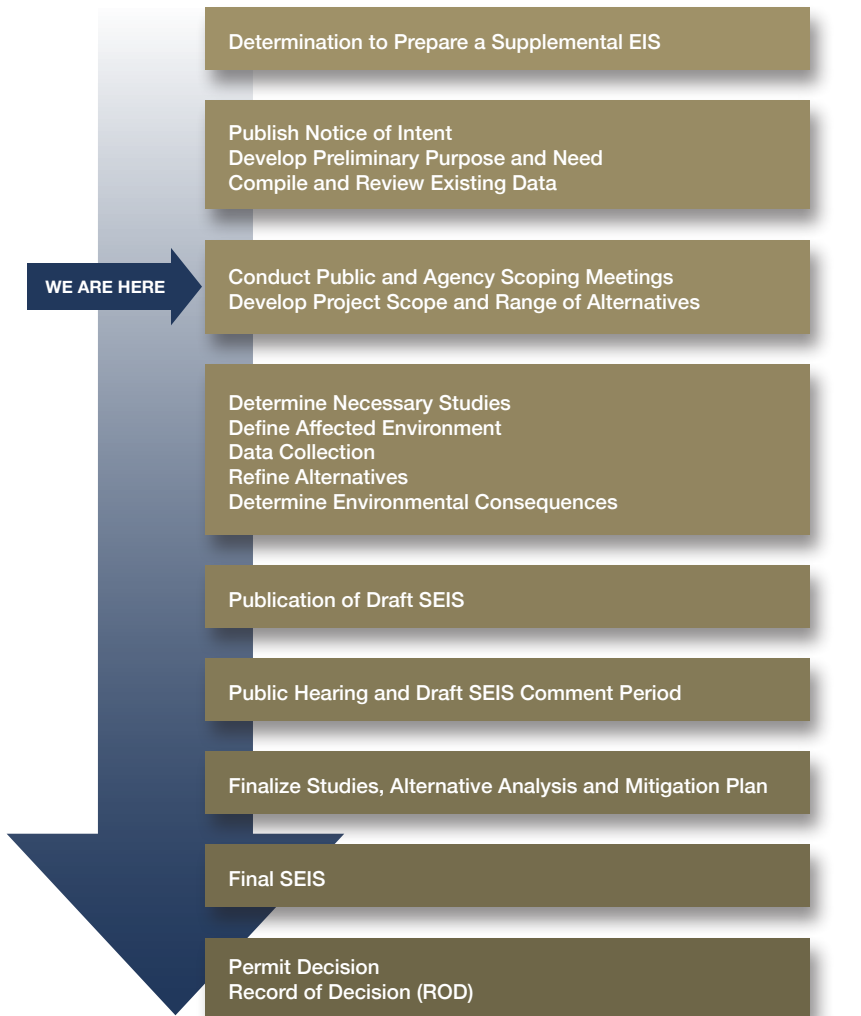


Haile Gold Mine SEIS Process Flowchart



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SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT



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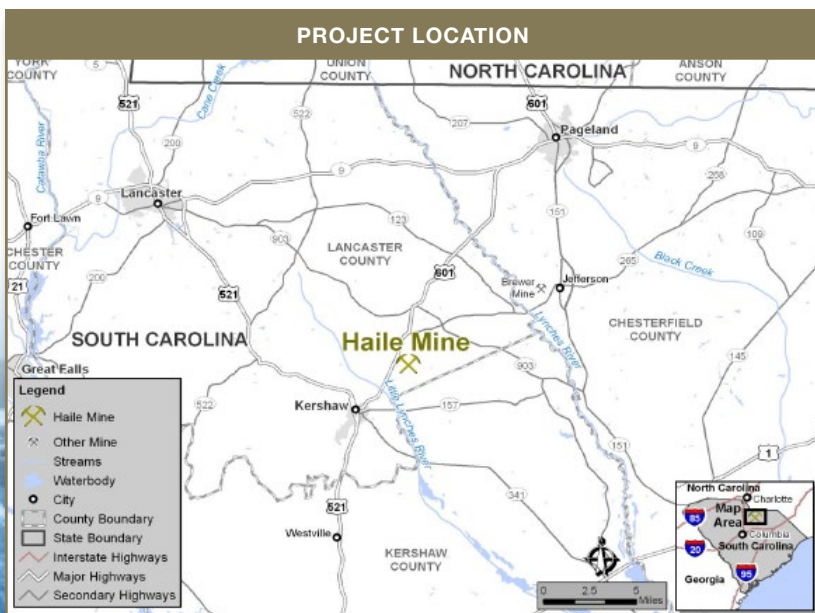
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Project Background

Haile Gold Mine, Inc., a subsidiary of OceanaGold Corporation, has submitted a proposal to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) to expand an existing and operating gold mine (Haile Gold Mine) in the vicinity of Kershaw, South Carolina. The Corps is required to comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Based on available information, the Corps determined the construction and operation of the proposed change to the development of the Haile Gold Mine has the potential to significantly affect the quality of the human environment and warrants the preparation of a supplement to the prior NEPA Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) completed for this project. The Corps will serve as the lead federal agency for the Supplemental EIS.

Project Description

The proposed project is to expand mining operations at the existing Haile Gold Mine near Kershaw, South Carolina. The proposed project would include expansion of surface mining and associated mine pits and overburden storage facilities, initiation of underground mining at the Horseshoe deposit, and increased ore processing through optimization of the mill and related infrastructure including expansion of the water management system and existing tailings storage facility. The Haile Gold Mine Site would be expanded by approximately 832 acres from 4,552 acres to encompass a total of 5,384 acres, of which approximately 3,863 acres would be disturbed. Proposed mining activities in the expanded proposed project would focus on areas affected by past mining activities and additional land purchased by Haile to support proposed mining expansion activities.



Public Involvement

The Corps invites you to remain involved throughout the NEPA process. Information will be made available to the public through the project website at www.hailegoldmineseis.com, as well as during public meetings and workshops.

