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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Inyo County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 22, 2025, at 10:00 am in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, to consider the following project:

**Amendment to conditional use 1973-14 and Reclamation plan 1990-03
BYK Hectorite Mine; General Plan Amendment 2025-03**

The applicant, BYK USA Inc., requests a minor amendment to extend the term of Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 73-14 and associated Reclamation Plan No. 90-03 for the California Hectorite Mine (Mine ID #91-14-0013), previously operated by Industrial Mineral Ventures (IMV) and Floridin Company. The current CUP and reclamation plan are scheduled to expire on February 27, 2024. The amendment proposes a 25-year extension through February 27, 2049, with no changes to the approved scope, intensity, or methods of mining and reclamation. The project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Exemption).

Anyone wishing to comment on this application should appear at the public hearing or submit written correspondence to the Inyo County Planning Department (via email at inyoplanning@inyocounty.us; via U.S. mail at P.O. Drawer L, Independence, CA 93526). Project information and materials are available on the Planning Department website at www.inyocounty.us/services/planning-department/current-projects. If there are general questions regarding this project, please contact the Inyo County Planning Department at 760-878-0263.

Vicinity Map Attachment A

Ca Hectorite Mine 91-14-013

Legend

- CA Hectorite Mine
- Feature 1
- Telescope Peak

