

IC Potash starts environmental study at US project

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TORONTO (miningweekly.com) – TSX V-listed IC Potash said on Monday it had started environmental permitting work at its Ochoa sulphate of potash (SOP) project in New Mexico.

The mine is expected to cost \$662-million and produce 660 000 t/y of SOP, also called potassium sulphate, which is used to make crop fertilizers.

“The commencement of detailed environmental work is a significant milestone for the company as we progress towards the building of a world class SOP production facility,” IC Potash CEO [Sidney Himmel](#) said in a statement.

SOP is mainly used as a fertilizer in the fruit, vegetable, tobacco and potato industries.

Last month, IC Potash raised \$20-million in a bought deal offering to fund a prefeasibility study at Ochoa, which it said it would complete around September.

The company aims to start production in 2014, according to a presentation posted to its [website](#).

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