

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

*Carolyn Syms Luna*  
Director

December 07, 2010

Attn: Director  
California Department of Conservation  
Office of Mine Reclamation  
801 K St. MS 09-06  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: OMR's 30-Day Review  
Liberty Quarry- (Granite Construction Company)  
Application for Mining Permit/Reclamation Plan  
County Surface Mining Permit – SMP00213

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Riverside County looks forward to the Director's written comments on this plan within 30 days of receipt of this submittal. Please call me at (951) 955-6863 or Matt Straite at (951) 955-8631 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
Carolyn Syms-Luna, Planning Director

David L. Jones, Chief Engineering Geologist  
TLMA-PLANNING

cc: Applicant: Granite Construction Company, Fax: (760) 775-8280  
Applicant's Rep.: Lilburn Corporation, Fax: (909) 890-1809  
File: SMP00213

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ENCLOSURES:

- Enclosure 1 Liberty Quarry Draft Environmental Impact Report, July 2009 (disc copy)
- Enclosure 2 Lilburn Corporation, December 2010, "Exhibit C – Project Description and Reclamation Plan for Liberty Quarry" (hard copy and disc copy)
- Enclosure 3 Lilburn Corporation, December 2010, "Exhibit C – Project Description and Reclamation Plan for Liberty Quarry, Attachments Volume 1" (hard copy) \*
- Enclosure 4 Lilburn Corporation, December 2010, "Exhibit C – Project Description and Reclamation Plan for Liberty Quarry, Attachments Volume 2" (hard copy) \*

\*Attachments Volume 1 & 2 contain:

- Attachment 1 Liberty Quarry Draft Environmental Impact Report – Section 2, proposed project Description, County of Riverside, July 2009
- Attachment 2 Proposed Liberty Quarry: Biological Technical Report, Scott White Biological Technical Consulting, May 2008
- Attachment 3 Summary of Supplemental Biological Services Performed for the Liberty Quarry Project, ICF Jones & Stokes, June 2009
- Attachment 4 Determination of Consistency with the Western Riverside County MSHCP, CH2M Hill, September 2008
- Attachment 5 Geotechnical Report (#68188), Kleinfelder, August 2007
- Attachment 6 Response to County of Riverside Review Comments – County Geologic Report No. 1902, Kleinfelder, May 2008
- Attachment 7 An Ancient Wedge-Slide in Quartz-Manzonite, Temecula, California, Hart & Scaramella, February 1987
- Attachment 8 Geologic and Hydrologic Evaluation, Kleinfelder, August 2007
- Attachment 9 Response to Frequent Questions, Kleinfelder, July 2008
- Attachment 10 EDR Radius Map and Geocheck, Environmental Data Resources, April 2008
- Attachment 11 Verification Monitoring and Mitigation Program Outline, Granite Construction Company, January 2009
- Attachment 12 Blasting Plan and Impact Analysis, Vibra-Tech Engineers, April 2008
- Attachment 13 Blasting Plan and Impact Analysis – Response to Comments, Vibra-Tech Engineers, April 2008

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Applicant's Rep.: Lithum Corporation, Fax: (000) 800-1809  
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**PALA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS**  
Tribal Historic Preservation Office  
35008 Pala Temecula Rd. PMB 445  
Pala, CA 92059

Ph: (760) 891-3591  
Fax: (760) 742-4543

December 14, 2009

Riverside County Planning Department  
Attention: David L. Jones  
4080 Lemon Street, 9th Floor  
P.O. Box 1409  
Riverside, CA 92502-1409

Re: Liberty Quarry DEIR No. 475

Dear Mr. Jones,

The Pala Band of Mission Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office has received your notification of the project referenced above. This letter constitutes our response on behalf of Robert Smith, Tribal Chairman.

The project as described does not fall within the boundaries of the Pala Reservation, but it does fall within the region that the Tribe considers to be a part of its traditional use area (TUA). The area that would be affected by the Liberty Quarry project includes lands of an extremely significant sacred nature. Luiseno traditional cosmology and oral history both state that these hills are named places from the stories of creation. Although archaeological and cultural investigations may not yield sites that are recognized by scientific standards, the land that would be destroyed by Liberty Quarry is known and recognized by the Luiseno people. It would be a mistake to assume that a lack of archaeological or cultural sites indicates that there would be no cultural effects on the land. In fact, the dramatic impact of the quarry would result in unmitigable destruction of an irreplaceable sacred site from Luiseno creation.

We stand in full support of other Luiseno tribes who are in opposition to the Liberty Quarry project. We must take the position that the only reasonable outcome is for your department to completely deny any and all permits related to Liberty Quarry, and to insist that the developers relocate or abandon the project.

We appreciate involvement with your initiative and look forward to working with you on future efforts. If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 760-891-3591 or by e-mail at [sgaughen@palatribe.com](mailto:sgaughen@palatribe.com).

Sincerely,

Shasta C. Gaughen, MA  
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
Pala Band of Mission Indians

**Clean Air Temecula**  
33850 Sattui Street  
Temecula, California 92592

January 14, 2011

Ms Carolyn Syms Luna, Planning Director  
Riverside County Planning Department  
4080 Lemon Street, Ninth Floor  
Riverside, California 92501

**RE:** Location for Planning Commission hearing on Liberty Quarry project

Dear Ms Syms Luna,

It is our understanding that sometime in the not so distant future, there will be a hearing held by the County of Riverside Planning Commission regarding the proposed Liberty Quarry project, proposed to be located on the southern border of the City of Temecula.

It is our request that: 1) due to the number of persons residing in the area of the proposed project who may be disenfranchised as they do not have the means and/or resources to attend a hearing in the City of Riverside and therefore would be under represented, 2) since the original County of Riverside 2005 Scoping Session for this project was also held in Temecula, 3) that since this project will directly impact the local area residents of Temecula, Murrieta, Rainbow and Fallbrook, 4) this project will also impact residents living in northern San Diego County, it is requested that the Planning Commission hearing regarding the Liberty Quarry project be held in Temecula.

Sincerely,



Frederick J. Bartz  
Clean Air Temecula

cc Supervisor Bob Buster  
Supervisor Jeff Stone  
Mr. David Jones



December 3, 2010

David L. Jones  
Planning Department  
County of Riverside  
4080 Lemon Street,  
9th Floor P.O. Box 1409  
Riverside, CA 92502-1409

I'm writing to you today in support of the proposed Liberty Quarry in the Temecula Valley.

As the General Manager of Eagle Glen Golf Club in Corona, I am well aware of the importance of tourism and a healthy local economy. Eagle Glen is home to numerous corporate and charity golf tournaments, including The Pepsi Tour. As you may know we also host weddings and business and chamber events making us a draw for community members and tourists alike.

Corona is home to four hard rock quarries; much like what Liberty Quarry will be. In all of my years of service at Eagle Glen and in the tourism service industry, I have never seen an impact on the tourism/service business due to the presence of a quarry. Tourists and local patrons are aware of the quarries that are here in Corona but it has never been a deterrent for attracting business or impacted the quality of life.

What can have an impact on tourism is the high unemployment rate. With a 15% unemployment rate across the Inland Empire, our industry has seen real impacts in recent years. We need added jobs to keep residents employed and our businesses open. It is my understanding that Liberty Quarry will create nearly 200 jobs to unemployed workers, \$300 million in tax revenue, as well as aggregate to help us expand our region and tourism industry.

Unlike the quarries in Corona, I have been informed that the Liberty Quarry site is situated so that it will not be seen and its activities will not be heard or felt by residents and tourists. Furthermore, Liberty Quarry plans to dramatically reduce traffic by removing thousands of trucks per day from our major freeways and thoroughfares creating lower vehicle emissions, less traffic congestion, a better quality of life for residents and a more pleasant experience for tourists.

Liberty Quarry will benefit citizens, business owners, local cities and the county on many levels and in no way hinder tourism in the area. This is one opportunity we can't afford to pass up.

Thank you for your time and I hope that you join me in supporting Liberty Quarry.

Sincerely,

Steve Jeffrey  
General Manager  
Eagle Glen Golf Club



# Riverside County Farm Bureau, Inc.

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June 25, 2008

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Riverside County Board of Supervisors  
4080 Lemon Street  
Riverside, CA 92501

**Subject: Support for Granite Construction Company's Liberty Quarry**

Dear Chairman Wilson and Board Members:

The Riverside County Farm Bureau is an organization that seeks to represent the interests of members County-wide and it is our belief that the Liberty Quarry project is highly beneficial for our region.

It is clear that Southern California is in serious need of transportation infrastructure improvements and that the cost for these improvements is continually rising. Continuing to transport aggregate long distances across our region is neither environmentally nor financially beneficial, and more local sources should be developed to serve local demands.

Our goods movement corridors are being congested, leading to higher costs of transporting goods to our growers and unfortunately, that cost is being passed down to the consumer. In a time of economic uncertainty for many Riverside County residents, alternatives to this situation are desperately needed. A local source of aggregate will help meet this growing regional need and facilitate efficient movement across our region.

Some of our membership operate farms near existing Granite facilities and have never had problems with dust or other air emissions from their plant and do not believe their operations had any impact on the quality of their agriculture. Attached is a letter from Peter Rabbit Farms.

After a technical briefing with Liberty Quarry representatives, it is our opinion that this project will provide a solution to a County-wide aggregate shortage and allow easier delivery of other necessary goods to their markets. Similar to agriculture, mining of aggregate is a beneficial land use for the entire County and it is our hope that this project will move forward and be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,

Grant Chaffin  
President  
Riverside County Farm Bureau

Enclosures: (1)

Cc: Gary W. Johnson, Granite Construction Co.  
RCFB Board of Directors

## California Department of Conservation (2006) Report Outlines Aggregate Shortages in CA

The Department of Conservation's California Geological Survey has released an updated report and map on February 7, 2007 that discusses aggregate supply and demand. It is designed as a tool to help local governments with land-use planning, especially in regards to future infrastructure needs.

The report - an update of a 2002 release - compares the anticipated 50-year demand for construction grade aggregate resources to the amount of resources currently permitted for mining by local lead agencies in 31 study areas throughout the state.

Construction sand and gravel are the leading non-fuel mineral commodities produced in the state as well as the nation. Californians consumed 235 million tons of construction-grade aggregate in 2005 – about 6½ tons per person. On average, 229 tons of aggregate are used in the construction of one house. California is the nation's leading producer of construction aggregate.

### **Key findings of the report include:**

1. "Currently, transporting aggregate a distance of 30 miles will increase the FOB (Freight on Board) price by about \$4.50 per ton. For example, to construct one mile of a six-lane interstate highway requires about 113,505 tons of aggregate. Transporting this amount of aggregate 30 miles adds \$510,000 to the base cost of the material at the mine. In major metropolitan areas, this rate is often greater because of heavy traffic that increases the haul time. **Transporting aggregate from distant sources also results in increased fuel consumption, air pollution, traffic congestion, and road maintenance. Moreover, transportation cost is the principal constraint defining the market area for an aggregate mining operation.**" (pg. 15)
2. "The aggregate study areas with the greatest projected future need for aggregate are the South San Francisco Bay, San Gabriel Valley, **Temescal Valley-Orange County, Western San Diego County** and San Bernardino. Each is expected to require more than a **billion tons of aggregate by the end of 2055.**" (pg. 3)
3. "Northern San Diego County imports aggregate from the San Bernardino production area and from Temescal Valley." (pg. 16)
4. "Twenty-five of the 31 aggregate study areas have less than half of the permitted resources they are projected to need." (pg. 6)
5. "**Temescal Valley - Orange County Region** has only **32 percent** of the permitted reserves needed for the next 50 years." (Note: "OC's permitted reserves are nearly exhausted and now the county relies on Temescal Valley for much of its aggregate needs.") Temescal Valley has **less than 16 years** of permitted reserves left, assuming no export to San Diego County. (pg. 13)
6. "**Western San Diego County Region** has only 17 percent of the permitted reserves needed for the next 50 years." Western San Diego County has **less than 9 years** of permitted reserves left. (pg. 13)
7. "The **Temescal Valley-Orange County Region** has **lost 58%** of its permitted reserves in the last 5 years." (pg. 9)
8. "Aggregate is hauled from southwestern Imperial County into downtown San Diego, a distance of about 90 miles." (pg. 16)



## Coachella Valley Local Aggregate Issues

April 2010

Recent reports issued by the California Department of Conservation and Caltrans have clearly identified that there is a shortage of local aggregate sources in Southern California. Increasingly aggregate resources from the Coachella Valley and Banning Pass are being shipped to Western Riverside County to make up for a shortage of resources located in that area.

Many of the quarries in the Indio and Coachella areas have been expanded and/or their annual production limits have been increased so that more material may be shipped westward. This obviously has an impact to local citizens in the form of increased traffic and mobile source emissions. It also means that road, public facilities and construction projects cost more money as aggregate costs go up quickly when shipping long distances.

- The Coachella Valley and Pass Area consume an average of 10 tons of aggregate per capita per year.
- The Coachella Valley and Pass produce an average of 7 million tons of aggregate per year.
- 33% of all aggregate produced in the Coachella Valley in 2007 was exported (2.3 million tons/yr) to Western Riverside, Los Angeles, San Diego or San Bernardino County.
  - 800,000 tons/yr is exported by truck through the Valley and Pass with related impacts
    - 32,000 truck trips/yr on I-10 due to export
    - 3.2 million truck-miles/yr on I-10 means increased traffic and road maintenance costs due to export
    - 400,000 gallons/yr of diesel fuel and additional NOx and diesel particulate emissions due to export
  - 1.5 million tons/yr is exported by train from Cabazon
    - 375 train trips/yr upwind from the Coachella Valley
- According to the California Department of Conservation (2006) the Coachella Valley is the only area region in Southern California with adequate reserves to serve long term aggregate demand:
  - Years of permitted aggregate reserves remaining as of 2006:

▪ Coachella Valley	30 years
▪ Western Riverside County	16 years
▪ San Bernardino	12 years
▪ Los Angeles County	18 years
▪ San Diego County	9 years
- Orange County, Los Angeles and San Diego are importing from Western Riverside County reserves at an average rate of over 8 million tons per year.
- When Western Riverside County runs out of permitted reserves, the export from the Coachella Valley could grow from the 2.3 million tons annual export to over 10 million tons exported per year. Exporting at 10 million tons per year could exhaust Coachella Valley reserves in less than 20 years.
- Importing aggregate from a distant source in order to meet future Coachella Valley needs could increase costs by as much as 80% due to increased transportation costs.

April 30, 2008

Riverside County Farm Bureau  
21160 Box Springs Road, suite 102  
Moreno Valley, CA 92557



Attention: Steven A. Pastor, Executive Director

Subject: Granite Construction Company's Proposed Liberty Quarry

Dear Steven,

It has come to our attention that Granite Construction Co. is proposing a 155 acre quarry adjacent to I-15 in Southwest Riverside County and that concerns have been raised regarding potential dust emissions from the quarry and the possible impacts on agriculture in the region. I would like to respond.


Peter Rabbit Farms has farmed thousands of acres in the Coachella Valley for generations. This includes several hundred acres of land north of I-10 adjacent along Monroe Street north of Indio that we farmed for more than 10 years. Granite and its predecessors operated a quarry on 1200 acres of land immediately north of our agricultural operations since the 1940's. Our agricultural operations along both sides of Monroe Street were 1 to 2.5 miles from their mine including a concrete plant, aggregate production plant, and an asphalt plant.

We never had a problem with dust or other air emissions from their plant and we do not believe their operations had any impact on the quality of our agriculture.

Granite Construction Co. has been a valued member of the Coachella Valley for many years and we believe that you will find them to be a valued member of the Southwest Riverside County community also.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
John Powell, Jr.  
President/CEO

Cc: Gary W. Johnson, Granite Construction Co.



**SAND & GRAVEL INC.**

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714.735.7033 Fax**

June 23, 2010

The County of Riverside  
Planning Department  
4080 Lemon Street  
Riverside, California 92592-1409

**Re: Liberty Quarry Project**

To Whom It May Concern,

West Coast Aggregate Supply, Inc. and its affiliates operate a quarry in the Coachella valley as well as a large fleet of trucks that haul aggregate throughout Southern California. We haul aggregate long distances from quarries to concrete plants, asphalt plants and construction jobs in part because of the lack of permitted aggregate sources in some of these market areas.

We are aware that aggregate is trucked from permitted aggregate sources in Irwindale (Los Angeles County) to Western San Diego County. Aggregate is also shipped from the Coachella Valley and San Bernardino County to Western Riverside County and even San Diego County.

Liberty Quarry would provide a critical supply of aggregate to a market area (Northern San Diego County and Southwest Riverside County) that presently has a shortage. This would help reduce the distance that aggregate and aggregate products are hauled.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ed de Boer", is written over a white background.

Ed de Boer

Vice President

April 25, 2008

TO: Ebony J. McGee, Project Planner  
4080 Lemon Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
P.O. Box 1409, Riverside, CA 92502-1409

RE: Surface Mining Permit No. 213 (Liberty Quarry)

Dear Ms. McGee,

Thank you for helping me understand the process involved with the Liberty Quarry permit.

I am a Pediatrician associated with Children's Hospital of San Diego, and I live and practice in Temecula. I represent 55 doctors who practice in Temecula and Murrieta. We as a group are formally opposed to the Liberty Quarry project.

As citizens, we are concerned that the Quarry will ruin the wilderness near Temecula, lower property values, and interrupt environmental research.

As physicians, we represent the interest of our patients. Many of our patients have chronic lung diseases and we are concerned that an increase in air pollution will worsen their lung disease. Furthermore, air pollution associated with the project could increase rates of asthma and other lung problems such as chronic nodular silicosis.

I have reviewed the preliminary air quality report and will be sending you another letter outlining my concerns about the assumptions contained in the report.

Thank you once again for helping me understand the process. When you have prepared your final EIR, I will review it and formally comment. As the process continues, please keep in mind that a large group of respected physicians do not want a quarry near Temecula. I have included a list of the physicians. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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951 303 1691  
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## Medical Doctors Opposing Liberty Quarry As of 4/24/08

1. Dr. Daniel C. Robbins, DO, Pediatrician (Temecula)
2. Dr. Timothy J. Killeen, MD, Pulmonologist (Temecula)
3. Dr. Salek Nizar, MD, Internal Medicine (Temecula)
4. Dr. Jack Druet, MD, Anesthesiologist (Temecula)
5. Dr. Khuram Sial, MD, Pain Management (Temecula)
6. Dr. Gordon Skeoch, MD, Family Practice (Temecula)
7. Dr. Sabry Bakr, MD, Pediatrician (Wildomar)
8. Dr. Richard Balikian, MD, Plastic Surgeon (Temecula)
9. Dr. Laurie Blanscet, DO, Family Practice (Murrieta)
10. Dr. Reza Vaezazizi, MD, Emergency Medicine (Temecula)
11. Dr. Azim U. Azhand, MD, Pediatrician (Temecula)
12. Dr. Young H. Lee, MD (Murrieta)
13. Dr. Ernesto T. Salas, MD, Internal Medicine (Temecula)
14. Dr. Bruce A. Hayton, MD, Internal Medicine (Fallbrook)
15. Dr. Kelly Boyatt, MD, Family Practice (Temecula)
16. Dr. Philip Ebersole, MD, Family Practice (Murrieta)
17. Dr. Kelly L. McKeranhan, DO., Family Practice (Murrieta)
18. Dr. Brigid Freyne, MD, Internal Medicine (Murrieta)
19. Dr. Michael L. Cross, MD, Surgeon (Corona)
20. Dr. Joan H. Calinisan, MD, Obstetrics/Gynecology (Murrieta)
21. Dr. John R. Haynes, MD, Internal Medicine (Menifee)
22. Dr. Nerissa C. Safie, MD, Obstetrics/Gynecology (Murrieta)
23. Dr. Chandrasekhar Varma, MD, Endocrinologist (Temecula/Escondido)
24. Dr. Joseph Glaser, MD, Obstetrics/Gynecology (Murrieta)
25. Dr. Barratt Phillips, MD, Ophthalmologist (Murrieta)
26. Dr. Thomas Mohr, MD, Pediatrician (Temecula)
27. Dr. Bridget Briggs, MD, Family Practice (Murrieta)
28. Dr. Robert Pace, MD, Orthopedic Surgeon (Fallbrook)
29. Dr. David Zebrack, DO, Internal Medicine (Temecula)
30. Dr. Julie Swain, MD, Cardiothoracic Surgeon (Fallbrook)
31. Dr. George Ponce, MD, Cardiologist (Riverside)
32. Dr. Lisa Reed, DO, Pediatrician (Temecula)
33. Dr. Leslie J. McCormick, MD, Pediatrician (Temecula)
34. Dr. Stephen Nguyen, MD, Internal Medicine (Temecula)
35. Dr. Ernest Holburt, MD, Pathologist (Murrieta)
36. Dr. Tammy Hayton, MD, Obstetrics/Gynecology (Murrieta)
37. Dr. Kelly J. O'Neil, MD, Family Practice (Temecula)
38. Dr. Timothy Killeen, MD (Temecula)
39. Dr. Richard J. Reynolds, MD, Family Practice (Fallbrook)
40. Dr. Douglas H. Clements, MD, Ophthalmologist (Fallbrook)
41. Dr. Rolf Drinhaus, MD, Orthopedic surgeon (Fallbrook/Murrieta)
42. Dr. Lane Oslund, MD, Family Practice (Fallbrook)
43. Dr. David Schwartz, MD, Family Practice (Temecula)
44. Dr. Anthony Bianchi, MD, Obstetrics/Gynecology (Fallbrook)
45. Dr. Nicolas Tsoulos, MD, Pediatrician (Temecula)
46. Dr. Rhoda Estrella-Ichon, MD, Family Practice (Murrieta)
47. Dr. Evelyn Mendoza, MD, Oncologist (Temecula)
48. Dr. John T. Shen, MD, Dermatologist (Murrieta)
49. Dr. Sylvia Gisi, MD, Sports Medicine, Temecula
50. Dr. Paul Phelps, MD, Anesthesiologist
51. Dr. David Lawson, MD, Radiologist
52. Dr. Robert Veve, MD, Pathologist
53. Dr. Duyet Vo, MD, Pathologist
54. Dr. William R. Stull, MD, Radiologist
55. Dr. Brian P. Horney, MD, Anesthesiologist

May 5, 2008

Mr. Jerry Jolliffe  
Deputy Planning Director  
4080 Lemon St., 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Riverside, CA 92502-1409

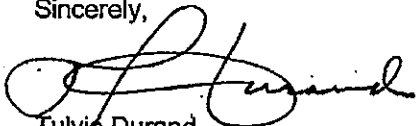
Reference: Project Case – Surface Mine Permit No. 213 known as Liberty Quarry, Change of Zone Application No. 7508, dated June 14, 2007

Dear Mr. Jolliffe:

Please find enclosed the Open letter to Riverside County Planning Department on the proposed Liberty Quarry in Temecula. Please note that the attached letter expresses my personal views only and not those of the Anza Valley MAC of which I am a member.

For your information I am sending copies of this letter to our local newspapers so that our community will be apprised of the proposed quarry and its potential for polluting the air we breathe.

Sincerely,



Tulvix Durand  
PO Box 390908  
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Open letter to Riverside County Planning Department on the  
proposed Liberty Quarry in Temecula  
April 28, 2008

Reference: Project Case – Surface Mine Permit No. 213 known as Liberty Quarry, Change of Zone Application No. 7508, dated June 14, 2007

My neighbors and I are concerned for the public health from possible pollution blowing our way from operation of the proposed Liberty Quarry in Southwest Temecula. The communities of Aguanga, Lake Riverside, Anza, Pinyon, Garner Valley and intervening smaller communities that include three Indian Reservations lie directly in the path of prevailing winds from the ocean that pass above the quarry. These winds could carry with them particulates including Crystalline Silica from rock blasting operations and aggregate-material crushing, collection and its movements along conveyor belts and loading onto trucks that can harm the public health of these communities. Prolonged inhalation of Silica can cause Silicosis, an irreversible condition with no cure.

We understand that state-of-the-art pollution control will be employed in the 414-acre quarry in its processes of producing 5 million tons of aggregate per year, and assurances are being given by the contractor that dust byproducts will be controlled. Notwithstanding these preventive measures and assurances, thirty physicians from Temecula and Murrieta have attested to the potential health hazard (The Press Enterprise, March 27) that could include increase in asthma and respiratory illness that are especially harmful to sensitive populations such as premature babies and elderly adults, and importantly, the possibility of airborne microscopic Silica particles lodging themselves into lungs causing long term damage. A recent situation involving a cement factory near Riverside gives cause for skepticism on assurances being given by contractors and officials who monitor them. Air-quality officials confirmed this month that the TXI Riverside Cement Co. has been spewing cancer-causing Hexavalent Chromium into nearby neighborhoods in spite of several years of residents' complaints and assurances they received (The Press Enterprise; April 22).

Accordingly, we ask that the Riverside County Planning Department require as part of its Environmental Impact Studies the predicted extent of airborne particle pollution and long term effects on the public health of the aforementioned communities. Specifically we ask that variables such as wind velocity and seasonal and diurnal changes in wind patterns, air temperature and humidity typical of the local meteorology and topography be included in the studies (We understand that the latter variables were not included in the preliminary EIR studies). Also we ask that the aforementioned communities be placed on distribution for the EIR results and other pertinent reports affecting the health and welfare of our communities, and that they be notified of dates for public hearings and other important notices pertaining to this project.

Please note that this letter represents my personal views and not those of any organization that I belong to.

Respectfully,

Tulvio Durand  
Resident of Anza  
951-763-1571



# TAMDA MEDICAL MANAGEMENT

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April 20, 2010

Michael Basch, M.D.  
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Temecula, CA 92590

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Dear Dr. Basch,

As experienced physicians in Southern California, we all know the harmful impact that freeway pollution is having on our local communities. In fact, this poor air quality has resulted in nearly \$200 million in additional hospital costs in recent years. As the caretakers of local residents, we must join together to support projects that will bring long-term relief to our patients.

As many of you are aware, the County of Riverside will soon consider a proposed quarry project to be located a few miles outside Temecula. Some misinformed extremists have raised concerns about the potential health impacts of this project, and their concerns are unfounded.

I write to you today to share some facts about this project and to encourage you to review the studies for yourselves. The quarry has been proposed for this area because of the great need for construction aggregate – rocks and gravel – in southwest Riverside County and northern San Diego County. This need exists right now, and thousands of trucks travel through our region every day in search of aggregate in other corners of the county. These trucks bring with them harmful emissions and congested traffic conditions throughout the Interstate 15 corridor.

A local source of construction materials would greatly reduce these harmful impacts and help begin to clear the local air by eliminating 16.5 million truck miles from Interstate 15 annually. Air quality analyses have shown that any silica emissions from the quarry would be a fraction of the state health standard and would be nearly undetectable in nearby residential areas. In addition, Granite will be required to monitor air quality near the quarry and in the residential areas located over 3 miles away to ensure there is no impact. This monitoring has been done at their Rosemary's Mountain Quarry located in San Diego County and has shown that the crystalline silica levels at the quarry boundary are barely detectable.

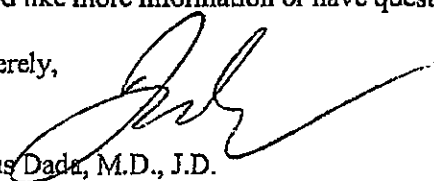
In fact, the draft environmental impact report for Liberty Quarry finds the region's air quality will be better off with this quarry than without it. Local residents, our patients, are breathing heavily polluted air every day. As local healthcare experts, we must unite to dispel the myth that this project will put our patients at risk and instead support the projects that can bring relief and get polluting trucks off our roads.

As a fellow physician in Inland Southern California, I am asking you to lend your voice to this cause and join me in support of Liberty Quarry. A strong coalition of

local doctors armed with the facts will be highly effective in helping bring solutions to local air quality.

I am glad to meet with you and set up a meeting with Granite Construction representatives if you would like more information or have questions about the project.

Sincerely,

  
Festus Dada, M.D., J.D.

Cc: David L. Jones Planning Department Riverside County

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Temecula Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau

May 18, 2010

3<sup>rd</sup> District Supervisor, Jeff Stone  
Riverside County Board of Supervisors  
4080 Lemon Street, Fifth Floor  
Riverside, California 92501

Dear Supervisor Jeff Stone,

In the Temecula Valley area, our industry is comprised of nearly 6,600 business owners and their employees who provide hospitality services such as lodging, tours, specialty shops, boutiques, leisure activities, entertainment, and our ever-growing Wine Country. Temecula has become a "destination" for those outside of Southern California. In the last reporting year, this industry contributed over \$605 million dollars in economic impact, in addition to \$1.8 million dollars in Transient Occupancy Tax. In 2009, an estimated 811,226 visitors stayed in Temecula hotels with an average of 67,600 visitors each month. Some factors in our industry's success are: our image, reputation and the quality of air that visitors find in the Temecula Valley.

The Temecula Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau recently had an opportunity to evaluate both the proposed benefits and negative impacts of the Liberty Quarry south of the City of Temecula.

We are concerned about the negative impacts it will have on tourism and our local tourism businesses.

Therefore, the Temecula Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau opposes the location of the proposed Liberty Quarry project, and request that the Riverside Board of Supervisors not approve the Liberty Quarry project.

Sincerely,

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Denis Ferguson  
Chairman of the Board for the  
Temecula Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau

cc Ron Goldman, County Planning Department  
David Jones, County Planning Department

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May 24, 2010

David L. Jones, County Geologist  
The County of Riverside  
Planning Department  
4080 Lemon Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Riverside, California 92501

Attention: Mr. Ron Goldman, Planning Director

**Re: Liberty Quarry Project**

Dear Mr. Goldman,

Superior Ready Mix Concrete, L.P., would like to go on record as being in support of Liberty Quarry.

Superior Ready Mix Concrete, L.P., is a construction materials supply company primarily engaged in the production of ready mixed concrete. The primary component (85%) of concrete is rock and sand (aggregate). Each cubic yard of ready mix concrete requires over 3,500 lbs. of aggregate. Southern California on average consumes over 40 million cubic yards each year.

We operate in Southern California, and have plants in Murrieta, Aguanga, Temescal Canyon, Hemet, Thousand Palms and Indio, as well as plants in San Diego County. Our company is very familiar with the critical aggregate shortage in Southern California, particularly in Southwestern Riverside County and San Diego County. Aggregate is a basic building block for our economy. Without a local source of aggregate, construction costs will be higher and our industry will be faced with shipping aggregate long-distances which has significant adverse environmental and economic consequences.

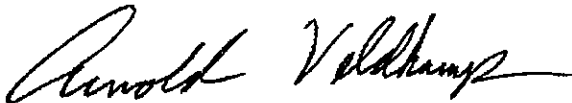
It is ironic that the local populace of Southwest Riverside County is so concerned about the effects of the Liberty Quarry, when it seems clear that the quarry will actually result in less environmental impacts in the region if it is allowed to proceed. Judging from the fanatical opposition to the quarry, one would think that the Liberty Quarry is the first project of its type, rather than an absolutely necessary component of any modern community.

If the construction and maintenance of homes, schools, hospitals, shopping centers, churches, etc., is to continue in our communities, aggregate will be needed. It is the basic building block of all of our modern facilities, being a major component of concrete, block and asphalt. If the aggregate is not produced locally, it must be transported by truck. The additional air pollution, added cost and traffic congestion from hauling aggregate long distances are major impacts.

Much of the aggregate our company uses to make our concrete is trucked long distances from quarries to the ready mix plants. This is not uncommon in Southern California, and the situation is only going to get worse if more local aggregate sites like Liberty Quarry are not developed. Aggregate is trucked from San Bernardino County and Los Angeles County into Riverside County and San Diego County. Trucks move up and down I-15 and I-215 daily including weekends carrying aggregate long distances, in many cases over 60 miles one-way.

The operation of Liberty Quarry on the Riverside County - San Diego County line would clearly reduce the need to truck aggregates long distances across Western Riverside County.

Sincerely,

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Arnold Veldkamp, Secretary  
Superior Ready Mix Concrete, L.P.



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May 28, 2010

David L. Jones, County Geologist  
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Riverside, California 92592-1409

**Subject: Liberty Quarry, Draft Environmental Impact Report**

Dear Mr. Jones,

CalPortland Inc. provides construction materials - aggregate, cement, concrete and asphalt - throughout the Western United States and Canada. Our first concrete plant was established in Colton in 1891. We now have 15 concrete plants in Southern California. The aggregate for these plants comes from a number of different quarries in the Southern California, including some in the Coachella Valley area of Riverside County.

Over the last 10 years we have seen a trend of aggregate being moved longer distances to concrete plants and asphalt plants throughout Southern California. This is particularly true for the Southwest Riverside County and San Diego County markets. Aggregate is now imported from Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties into San Diego and Southwest Riverside County due to the lack of enough locally permitted aggregate sources in these markets. In the last 10 years as much as 5 million tons per year were shipped by truck through Western Riverside County to San Diego County and Southwest Riverside County.

The State of California (Department of Conservation) has provided public information that shows conclusively that Western Riverside and San Diego County have critical shortages of permitted aggregate supplies to meet the 50-year demand.

Caltrans has stated that it does not make sense economically or environmentally to continue to ship aggregate long distances, especially when there are viable alternatives like Liberty Quarry. Based on our knowledge of the industry over a period of 100 years, if Liberty Quarry is developed it will reduce the need to move aggregate long distances through Riverside County.

That just makes sense for everyone.


Sincerely,

CALPORTLAND COMPANY

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Ronald E. Summers  
Vice-President, Materials Division



 Mary L. Rosczyk  
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Aug 21, 2008

Dear Cheryl Mc Gee,

I wish to be notified of the comment period during which I may submit remarks and/or questions to the Planning Commission concerning Mining Permit Number 213 - Liberty Quarry near Temecula in southwest Riverside County.

Sincerely,

Mary Rosczyk

July 23, 2008

Dear Community Leader:

I am a young mother with 3 children and a husband working in construction. My family came to Temecula when I was 12 years old.

To say that this economy has hurt my family is an understatement. Like most people I don't go out of my way to tangle with loud obnoxious people but enough is enough.

I can't stay silent any longer. Businesses are closing everywhere. Gas prices and electricity costs are soaring. California has not approved a solar plant in 8 years or a nuclear plant in 22 years even though we added 10 million people since then. Farmers are losing their land to a rat or a flea. We are losing half of our water supply from the Delta Bay near Sacramento because a tiny fish can't be relocated to a safer location. We could lose our beautiful Avocado groves and our Wine Country and water prices are going to go sky high.

All of this because of efforts of loud and obnoxious organizations and their misled followers who, despite the facts, give out bad information and scare the public.

Like I said, I don't want to tangle with these people but I have to say it: "I support the Liberty Quarry." It means jobs - good jobs. And no, my husband is not employed by the quarry company but new jobs mean future prosperity for our community and businesses. I have read and heard all the arguments against the quarry and I am sure you have also. I talked to people at the Granite Company and made an educated decision.

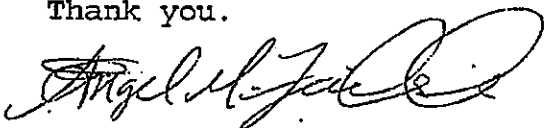
The quarry will cut truck traffic on the I-15 and the new technology they will employ will ensure that our children will not be affected adversely in any way. It will bring high paying jobs to our community and continue our community's reputation for progress and prosperity.

There comes a time when you just have to take a stand.

Will you as a leader in our community join me in standing up against special interest bullies and their misinformed followers? You may be the next target. We can stand up this time and maybe others will stand up next time.

If you have questions or comments, please contact me at [angel.zaro@yahoo.com](mailto:angel.zaro@yahoo.com) or by mail at 40335 Winchester Rd, Ste. #E-109 Temecula, CA 92591.

Thank you.



Angel Zarobinski



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THE PRESIDENT

July 22, 2005

William G. Dorey  
President and CEO  
Granite Construction Incorporated  
P.O. Box 50085  
Watsonville, CA 95077-5085

Dear Mr. Dorey:

I am replying to your introductory letter and request to meet regarding the proposed Liberty Quarry adjacent to San Diego State University's Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve (SMER). Thank you for your patience while SDSU faculty and staff worked to analyze the likely impacts of the proposed mine on our research projects at SMER. That analysis is now well underway, and I can begin to articulate our concerns and position.

Field Station Programs (FSP) at SDSU are an international resource for outdoor research and education. The Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve is the largest and oldest field station in the SDSU network, operating since 1962. It is a 4,344-acre reserve encompassing a 5-mile reach of the Santa Margarita River, the longest protected coastal river in Southern California. SMER supports teaching, research, and education on the ecosystems of Southern California by collecting, sharing, and understanding environmental data, and serving as an outdoor laboratory and classroom.

Research on global climate change, habitat connectivity, ecosystem disturbance, invasive species, and fire recovery make SMER one of the most intensely studied sites in Southern California. It is also nationally recognized as a technology laboratory serving as a rapid prototyping test-bed for new sensor technologies and wireless communication systems. These innovative technologies benefit research, education, and outreach and have important applications benefiting first-responder emergency personnel and valuable homeland security applications. Federal and state funded groups, such as the California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (CalIT<sup>2</sup>), the High Performance Wireless Research and Education Network (HPWREN), the Real-time Observatories, and Applications and Data Management (ROADNet) have partnered with SDSU in developing multi-million dollar projects. The products of these research partnerships have consequently attracted international collaborators and users at the

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SMER and have provided an opportunity for training and education of future generations and the regional workforce.

The Reserve is the nation's largest outdoor wireless environmental monitoring network, providing a unique opportunity for research and education. Through innovative technologies and state-wide collaborations, SMER has developed one of the nation's first examples of a "homeland defense" wireless networking environmental monitoring system. Research projects, educational programs, and community programs all benefit from this innovative infrastructure and bring international recognition to SDSU. SMER currently is engaged in developing an applied project built upon the research described above to create a real-time wireless fire monitoring system. Through a coalition of community groups, businesses, and fire response agencies in the area, the SMER is installing a network of 13 highly sensitive early-warning fire sensors that will have an automated communication system with early emergency response teams. This project carries a cost of \$1.2 million and is supported by a grant from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration of the federal Department of Commerce and coalition partners. This project exemplifies the kinds of benefits the SMER brings to the community.

My understanding is that Granite Construction Incorporated is preparing a proposal to change the zoning and general plan designation to permit the excavation of a quarry adjacent to the SMER. This would represent an expansive, long-term gravel mining and processing project.

Most of the researchers at SMER analyze subtle changes in the natural environment. Due to the sensitivity of the research equipment and the need to evaluate natural systems in outdoor environments without major intrusion, the Reserve is more sensitive to external disturbances than other protected natural areas. It is crucial for SMER to be maintained as a relatively undisturbed environment in support of the extensive array of research, education, and outreach activities.

When evaluating the anticipated impacts of projects, the notion of "significance" is appreciably modified based on the resource affected. The capacity of Granite Construction to mitigate or minimize impacts below a "level of significance" while carrying out a major mining operation adjacent to a research reserve of the importance and sensitivity of SMER is highly doubtful. A review of the proposed mining operation must extend to the potential impacts to research, education, and outreach programs and their results, including even modest changes in ambient light, noise, vibration, air quality, and water quality. As the operations of the proposed mine disrupt activities on the Reserve, SMER's value to and recognition by the region, state, and nation would be jeopardized.

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Impacts from gravel mines are predictable and widespread. Despite efforts to minimize or mitigate impacts, mining operations have been documented to have nuisance air pollution and dust emissions including unpleasant odors and potentially hazardous emissions from extraction, processing, and transportation of materials. Surrounding areas are affected through fallout from the emissions, affecting plant life and light-sensing equipment. Riparian resources face potential impacts from drawing down the water table for material dust control, processing and treatment.

Operations would affect the dense array of sensors within the Reserve, impinge upon user experience, and negatively impact natural conditions and ecosystem elements upon which many current and future studies are based. Even with stringent mitigation measures, normal mining operations will affect the light, sound, and seismic conditions of the reserve, impinge on air and water quality, and disrupt the migration of wildlife. A single accident or violation at the mining facility could worsen these already unacceptable impacts.

Our assessment concludes that the proposed mining operation would compromise or cause the abandonment of outdoor research, education, and outreach programs at SMER. Currently, there are some 70 research projects active at the Reserve. Many represent substantial financial investments and long-term commitments in data collection. SDSU and its researchers have made commitments to granting agencies and other universities that extend the use of the SMER facilities for projects years into the future. SDSU has a responsibility to these partners to protect the facilities in which they have invested and upon which they rely.

The location of the proposed mine is critical to the research at SMER. It is located entirely within designated USFWS critical habitat for the Coastal California gnatcatcher. This site is directly upstream from designated USFWS critical riparian habitat for Arroyo toad and Least Bell's vireo. It is also in close proximity to Quino checkerspot butterfly and Riverside fairy shrimp habitats. An unidentified species of fairy shrimp also has been found in water depressions in granite boulders immediately adjacent to the site and is likely to exist within it as well. In addition, the proposed mine site potentially supports habitat or movement patterns of 104 special status species found in the Santa Ana or Palomar Mountains or in the linkage between them. This area is identified by the South Coast Missing Linkages Project, a coalition of federal and state agencies and NGOs, as one of 15 priority linkages needed to maintain ecosystem function in the South Coast Ecoregion (Luke et al. 2004) and is targeted for protection by the Riverside MSHCP and the San Diego North County MHCP.

SMER serves as the linkage manager for the Santa Ana-Palomar Linkage, responsible for the oversight and development of a viable wildlife and habitat linkage. The SMER

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location has given rise to remote sensing research regarding wildlife movement within this linkage. The proposed mine would compromise this research and block a viable habitat corridor between the Santa Ana and Palomar Mountains. This linkage is an important feature in attracting researchers and collaborators active in conservation science.

The proposed mine would also have direct impact on the natural environment, including disruption of light and sound cycles, introduction of seismic activity from blasting, and degradation of air and water quality.

Light pollution from the proposed 20-hour daily operation would alter behavior and reproduction of resident animals and plants. Lighting at the gravel mine will occur during the period when most nocturnal animals are active: from sundown to midnight and from 4 am to sunrise. Artificial night light has been documented to have a variety of negative effects on plants and animals ([www.urbanwildlands.org](http://www.urbanwildlands.org) for citations). These effects would preclude or decrease the utility of the habitat as live-in or move-through areas for native species and would substantially alter the results of environmental studies.

Noise pollution demonstrably alters the behavior and reproduction of resident wildlife. The mine would produce noise from truck engines, back up beepers, grinding operations, and blasting. Blasting can also produce particulate matter, fumes, noise, and disruptive low-frequency vibrations. Noise has been documented to alter behavior, increase stress levels, and cause the abandonment of high-quality habitat in many species. Sudden vibration from blasting interrupts animal behavior and compromises the readings of seismic sensors.

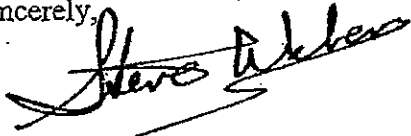
Given the significant investment that the University has in the Reserve, its responsibility to manage and maintain the property on behalf of researchers from other universities and from public and private agencies, and the extraordinary impacts that would result from the project as currently planned, San Diego State University believes that the mining operation, as proposed, is incompatible with the continued operation of SMER and is, therefore, an incompatible proposed land use which would affect the University.

The diverse impacts associated with gravel mining and processing plants pose a serious threat to the continued success and persistence of SMER, placing the legacy of data, research, education, and service at risk. The placement of the mine is incompatible with the Santa Ana – Palomar Mountain regional conservation design that benefits Temecula, Fallbrook, Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base, and other surrounding communities. The proposal for a granite extraction mine that would operate for 50-75 years is incompatible with SMER's legacy and its future of research, education, and community involvement.

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I am aware that there are many considerations influencing Granite's decision about where to locate a gravel mine. I am sensitive to your need to proceed with extraction efforts that both promote your company's prospects and satisfy the construction needs of our region. However, in this instance, we believe insufficient consideration has been accorded the proximity of an internationally respected Reserve and the importance of the last remaining wildland linkage between the Santa Ana and Palomar Mountains. You had indicated a desire to meet; we would be happy to do so.

Sincerely,



Stephen L. Weber  
President

cc: Provost Nancy Marlin  
Vice President Sally Roush, Business and Financial Affairs  
Vice President Tere Mendoza, University Advancement  
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Dean David T. Hayhurst, College of Engineering  
Sedra Shapiro, Executive Director of the SDSU FSP  
Matthew Rahn, Interim Director, Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve  
Jack Beresford, Assistant Vice President of Marketing and Communications  
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CITY OF MURRIETA

June 22, 2005

James Fagelson  
Planning Department  
County of Riverside  
4080 Lemon St. 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Riverside, CA 92502

Dear Mr. Jones,

The City of Murrieta has been made aware of a request by **Granite** for a **mining operation adjacent to the I-15 near the San Diego County border**. The City would like to be kept informed of the related activities, and would respectfully request that the City of Murrieta be placed on the distribution list for all related correspondence and notices. Please direct all correspondence to:

Jack McGee, Planning Director  
City of Murrieta  
26442 Beckman Court  
Murrieta, CA 92562

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack McGee".

Jack McGee  
Planning Director

cc: City Council  
Supervisor Stone  
City Manager



**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** burdickrutz@aim.com  
**Sent:** Friday, April 01, 2011 10:16 AM  
**To:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** My child has asthma- Stop the open pit mine. My child will have more troubles breathing air.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow Up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

**Categories:** Blue Category

Dear Mike

I am concerned about the increased asthma attacks my child will face if you approve Liberty Quarry. The EIR clearly states it will impact those of us downwind. This is the wrong location for a large open pit mine. The health of tens of thousands of children in Temecula is not worth the hundred jobs Granite Construction would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than aggregate. Please put the children first and put the quarry further from the lungs of the young.

Jerry and Carrie Burdick-Rutz

## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Susan Marino [susanmarino1@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2011 8:45 AM  
**To:** Straite, Matt; district1@rcbos.org; district2@rcbos.org; district3@rcbos.org; district4@rcbos.org; district5@rcbos.org  
**Cc:** Andrea Wright; Carol-Ann Scheier; Desiree Doyle; Heather Ahlberg; jenny\_eis@yahoo.com; Katie Milner; Laurie Burns; Margaret Atkinson; Michelle Dempsey; Scott Wright; sean@steelconnections.net; Tanya Mesirow; Theresa Navis; Tony Marino  
**Subject:** PLEASE READ - OPPOSED TO THE MINE!!!!!!  
**Categories:** Blue Category

### **County Supervisors:**

Bob Buster District 1 Supervisor  
John Tavaglione District 2 Supervisor  
Jeff Stone District 3 Supervisor  
John J. Benoit, District 4 Supervisor  
Marion Ashley, District 5 Supervisor

**I am extremely concerned about my children's health and the health of my community if you approve the open pit mine.**

**Since the community cannot vote on the issue it is up to YOU. Here are just a handful of reasons for you NOT TO APPROVE THIS MINE.....**

- **The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind.**
- **Tens of thousands of people live in dense residential neighborhoods here – it is the wrong location for a pit mine.**
- **At full production 1,600 truck trips per day (800 up to the quarry and 800 down).**
- **Granite already has a second quarry just eight miles south of this proposed location.**
- **Up to ten blasts per week, using 10,000 pounds of explosives per blast - explosives will consist of Ammonium Nitrate and Fuel Oil**
- **Granite Construction is requesting a Noise Ordinance Exception for the quarry.**
- **The mine will use approx. 472 gallons of fresh water per operating minute. (~120,000,000 annually).**
- **In peak demand periods, the quarry may operate seven (7) days per week.**
- **Granite Construction is requesting to operate the quarry for seventy-five (75) years.**
- **On site storage of up to 20,000 gallons of diesel fuel onsite in above ground tanks.**
- **On site storage of up to 5,000 gallons of gasoline onsite in an above ground tank.**
- **The quarry site will be lighted for night operations.**
- **The quarry will employ 99 persons versus 6,600 hundred in area tourism.**
- **The quarry site is located in the watershed area of the Santa Margarita River – which is the major drinking water source for Camp Pendleton.**
- **The Santa Margarita River is one of the last free flowing rivers in southern California.**
- **The quarry site is on the border of the SDSU Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve – which consists of over 4,500 acres and has operated for over 45 years and is one of the largest outdoor university laboratories in the world.**

- **The quarry site is located in a designated Special Wildlife Linkage area that connects the Santa Ana and Palomar mountains for wildlife movement.**
- **The health of children in the mining area is not worth the jobs Granite would relocate here.**
- **Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate.**

**Please put our children and our beautiful community first and DO NOT approve this!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Susan Marino  
Temecula**

**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Michelle Dempsey [dempseyrb@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 6:24 PM  
**To:** district1@rcbos.org  
**Cc:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** NO QUARRY

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

Concerned Mom and Temecula Resident,

Michelle Dempsey  
[dempseyrb@verizon.net](mailto:dempseyrb@verizon.net)

**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Michelle Dempsey [dempseyrb@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 6:25 PM  
**To:** district2@rcbos.org  
**Cc:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** NO QUARRY

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

Concerned Mom and Temecula Resident,

Michelle Dempsey  
[dempseyrb@verizon.net](mailto:dempseyrb@verizon.net)

**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Michelle Dempsey [dempseyrb@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 6:26 PM  
**To:** district3@rcbos.org  
**Cc:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** NO QUARRY

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

Concerned Mom and Temecula Resident,

Michelle Dempsey  
[dempseyrb@verizon.net](mailto:dempseyrb@verizon.net)

**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Michelle Dempsey [dempseyrb@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 6:27 PM  
**To:** district4@rcbos.org  
**Cc:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** NO QUARRY

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

Concerned Mom and Temecula Resident,

Michelle Dempsey  
[dempseyrb@verizon.net](mailto:dempseyrb@verizon.net)

**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Nancy Baldwin [nancyofsd@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 3:06 PM  
**To:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** Liberty Quarry  
  
**Categories:** Blue Category

Mr. Matt Straite, Planning Staff:

I am aware of the up-coming hearing regarding Granite Quarry's permit requests.

This seems to come around every few months... one permit or another.

Can you tell me if my 20 acres (APN 918-110-002) would be a part of the 14 parcels to be re-zoned. I noted that "approximately two and one-half acres and the site entrance" also seem to be in the near proximity to my land.

These acres may still be listed in my late Mother's name: Juanita L. Lesney. My sister and I are the Trustees of her estate.

This issue has been going on for so many years that I became curious to know whether any parameters have been changed.

Many thanks for any up-do-date information you may provide.

Nancy Baldwin  
858-278-9068  
San Diego, CA



## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** christine Kankowski [ckankowski@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 11:38 AM  
**To:** Straite, Matt; district1@rcbos.org; district2@rcbos.org; district3@rcbos.org; district4@rcbos.org; district5@rcbos.org  
**Subject:** NO QUARRY! please  
**Categories:** Blue Category

### To Whom it May Concern:

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

We currently get a pleasant wind each afternoon which cools us down in the summer. I'd hate to have to go inside when the winds pick up, knowing the air quality has deteriorated. This is the time to listen to the people of Temecula. Please keep the mine out of Temecula.

Thank you,

**Christine Kankowski**

Realty Executives

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**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Georgina Poppa [mamapoppa@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 12:47 PM  
**To:** Straite, Matt; district1@rcbos.org; district2@rcbos.org; district3@rcbos.org; district4@rcbos.org; district5@rcbos.org  
**Subject:** Not to Liberty Quarry  
**Categories:** Blue Category

I have lived in Temecula for 16 years and I love it, however I am concerned about the health impact Liberty Quarry will have on my children. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a large open pit mine. Our area has tens of thousands of children. The health of thousands of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than aggregate. Please put the children first. Georgina Poppa

## Straite, Matt

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**From:** Leshea S. Nock [lnock@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 9:20 AM  
**To:** Straite, Matt  
**Cc:** district1@rcbos.org; district2@rcbos.org; district4@rcbos.org; district5@rcbos.org; district3@rcbos.org  
**Subject:** Open Pit Mine Temecula  
**Importance:** High  
**Categories:** Blue Category

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated *it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind*. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

One hundred new jobs in our community will not make a difference in our community as much as damaging the health of our citizens.

Leshea S. Nock  
direct: 760-445-5796  
fax: 760-301-0007

**Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Julie Alexander [julie@xheo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 27, 2011 10:29 PM  
**To:** Julie Alexander  
**Subject:** NO MINE IN TEMECULA

To The Planning Commissioners/ Matt Striate

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

Sincerely,  
Julie Alexander  
951-302-8538

## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Melanie Boeck [mboeck@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 27, 2011 7:51 PM  
**To:** Straite, Matt; district1@rcbos.org; district2@rcbos.org; district3@rcbos.org; district4@rcbos.org; district5@rcbos.org  
**Subject:** Quarry Concerns - My Kid's Health  
**Categories:** Blue Category

I am concerned about my 3 children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods here in Temecula. The health of my children in the proposed mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from my children's lungs.

A Concerned Temecula Mom of 3,  
Melanie Boeck

## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Janina Smith [Janina@AndrewSmithHomes.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 27, 2011 6:21 PM  
**To:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** Opposed to Liberty Quarry

**Categories:** Blue Category

Dear Mr. Straite,

I am writing as a concerned parent of two young children as well as a citizen who has lived in this city for 17 years and works here as a real estate agent.

The Environmental Impact Report found that there will be unavoidable impacts on air quality for our area. Daily explosions are part of the mining process and thousands of trucks will be entering and leaving the site off Highway 15. This will not only add to the pollution to our air but create noise pollution as well. Many doctors in our town have formed a group opposing the location of this quarry so close to a residential population. As scientific literature overwhelmingly has found, poor air quality leads to asthma and other breathing problems, increases in school absences, and increases in ER visits.

We love Temecula, our community and our families and do not want to jeopardize any of them for this quarry. Our children enjoy playing outside and participate in outdoor sports. We should not deprive them of this healthy activity. If this quarry is passed and the Environmental Impact Report findings are true, it will also ultimately, have an impact on real estate values and our livelihood.

Please oppose the Liberty Quarry.

Thank you,

Janina Smith



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CA DRE# 01724266  
E-Mail: [Janina@AndrewSmithHomes.com](mailto:Janina@AndrewSmithHomes.com)  
Website: <http://www.AndrewSmithHomes.com>

*If you, or someone you know, are behind on mortgage payments or owe more than your home is worth, please give us a call. We can help.*

## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Maria Louise Macias [maria.louise@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 27, 2011 4:14 PM  
**To:** Straite, Matt; district1@rcbos.org; district2@rcbos.org; district3@rcbos.org; district4@rcbos.org; district5@rcbos.org  
**Subject:** Quarry Meeting April 26th, 2011  
**Categories:** Blue Category

Hello Planning Commissioners and Board of Supervisors.

I am concerned about my children's health if you approve the open pit mine. The Environmental Impact Report stated it will impact the air quality for those of us living downwind. Temecula, a densely populated community, is the wrong location for a pit mine. Tens of thousands of children live in dense residential neighborhoods. The health of children in the mining area is not worth the hundred jobs Granite would relocate here. Our children's health should be valued more than cheap aggregate. Please put children first and move the mine somewhere further from children's lungs.

It is time that politicians are on the families' side and not on the side of big businesses and special interest parties. Please show us that you appreciate the "gem" of Riverside county with it's beautiful wine country, fabulous restaurants and parks, interesting and entertaining Old Town, and MOST importantly; the thousands of families with young children living and working in this wonderful city and surrounding communities.

Granite wants to create a huge scar in our beautiful area and pollute the air with dangerous toxic micro particles that will hurt our children and with huge blasts that will be heard miles around. Let's keep the fresh air, let's not scare away all the people that come here for fun and recreation (and who spend lots of money when they come), let's keep our wine country growing and beautiful, and please, show us that you care about the families that call this place home. Granite has other choices. They can go somewhere else. We can't.

Thank you.

Maria Macias  
Temecula Resident

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The message was checked by ESET NOD32 Antivirus.

<http://www.eset.com>

## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** dylancalder@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 25, 2011 6:12 PM  
**To:** Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** Temecula mine

**Categories:** Blue Category

I am writing to express my concern that Temecula is thinking of allowing a public mine in our area. The proposed area would practically be in my backyard as I live in De Luz. Not only am I concerned with the pollution, traffic, and noise this may bring to the area, but I am also concerned for my 4 and 7 year olds health. Both already have allergies and I would not want to pollute their air with more toxins. We moved to Temecula 2 1/2 years ago from Michigan because it was a nice, family, and somewhat "green" community. I would hate for that to change. I would also consider moving, as we are not tied to jobs here. Please reconsider this and think about how Temecula is a family community with children, and also how Temecula can become a much "greener" place to live. I am advocate organic, green, and responsible living. Lets keep Temecula green!)

Thank you for your time.

Jennifer and Dylan Calder  
951-695-9635



**Kelly McDonald**

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**Subject:** FW: Response to County Letter re Liberty Quarry

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From: [CourtCoyle@aol.com](mailto:CourtCoyle@aol.com)  
To: [mstraite@RCTLMA.org](mailto:mstraite@RCTLMA.org)  
CC: [mfahley@pechanga-nsn.gov](mailto:mfahley@pechanga-nsn.gov), [tjohnson@pechanga-nsn.gov](mailto:tjohnson@pechanga-nsn.gov), [JMacarro@pechanga-nsn.gov](mailto:JMacarro@pechanga-nsn.gov),  
[ahoover@pechanga-nsn.gov](mailto:ahoover@pechanga-nsn.gov), [gary@pechanga-nsn.gov](mailto:gary@pechanga-nsn.gov), [pmacarro@pechanga-nsn.gov](mailto:pmacarro@pechanga-nsn.gov)  
Sent: 12/22/2010 10:16:50 A.M. Pacific Standard Time  
Subj: Response to County Letter re Liberty Quarry

Mr. Straite,

After Pechanga and the County's meeting on the reservation last August, you sent a letter to us asking whether your summary of how the County was planning to respond to some of the Tribe's comments on the Liberty Quarry DEIR was correct.

Pechanga respectfully requests to see a draft of the revised cultural resources (and any other relevant sections) of the DEIR and the draft responses to Pechanga's comments in order to ensure that the County understood what the Tribe had conveyed to the County through its written and verbal comments and presentations.

Absent that information, Pechanga is unable to verify whether the County's understanding of the Tribe's interests is correct or adequate. Moreover, as was stated at the August meeting when a representative of the applicant was present but not invited by Pechanga, additional consultation between Pechanga and the County, without a representative for the applicant present, is needed before the County completes its environmental review.

We hope this information is helpful to the County.

Thank you,  
Courtney Coyle  
Attorney for Pechanga

Courtney Ann Coyle  
Attorney at Law  
Held-Palmer House  
1609 Soledad Avenue  
La Jolla, CA 92037-3817

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## **Straite, Matt**

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**From:** Kristi Rutz-Robbins [kristi.rutzrobbins@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 25, 2011 1:40 PM  
**To:** Fred Bartz; Straite, Matt  
**Subject:** Re: Fwd: Liberty Quarry Notice of availability of Responses to Comments

**Categories:** Blue Category

FYI, I got the kindergarden moms on it...room mom! big email lists....I put all the addresses together like this and gave them two sample letters, I also sent it to the PTA, we'll see if they bite:

Write the Planning Commissioners c/o Matt Straite [MSTRAITE@rctlma.org](mailto:MSTRAITE@rctlma.org)

Write a letter to the editor in the Californian and the Press Enterprise:

<http://www.nctimes.com/app/forms/letters/> [http://www.pe.com/localnews/opinion/letters\\_form.html](http://www.pe.com/localnews/opinion/letters_form.html)

Write the Riverside County Board of Supervisors: [district1@rcbos.org](mailto:district1@rcbos.org), [district2@rcbos.org](mailto:district2@rcbos.org),  
[district3@rcbos.org](mailto:district3@rcbos.org), [district4@rcbos.org](mailto:district4@rcbos.org), [district5@rcbos.org](mailto:district5@rcbos.org),

On Fri, Mar 25, 2011 at 9:09 AM, Fred Bartz <[fjbartz@verizon.net](mailto:fjbartz@verizon.net)> wrote:  
Kristi,

This is great.

Fred

Mar 24, 2011 08:43:47 PM, [kristi.rutzrobbins@gmail.com](mailto:kristi.rutzrobbins@gmail.com) wrote:

Dear Moms,

The public hearing before the Planning Commission for the open pit mine called Liberty Quarry run by Granite Construction is April 26 at 4pm at Rancho Community Church. If you had not heard, the Environmental Impact Report found that there will be unavoidable impacts on air quality for our area. Daily explosions are part of the mining process and thousands of trucks will be entering and leaving the site off Highway 15.

Over a hundred doctors in our town have formed a group opposing the location of this quarry so close to a residential population. As scientific literature overwhelmingly has found, poor air quality leads to asthma and other breathing problems, increases in school absences, and increases in ER visits.

The mine is also adjacent to the Santa Margarita River and Ecological Reserve and the one of the last wildlife corridors in the region.

The planning commission and the county board of supervisors will decide whether or not to let the mine be permitted. You do not get to vote on it. So...here is what I advise.

Write or (copy from the above) a letter stating your concern for your child's health to Matt Straite, Planning Staff at MSTRATE@RCTLMA.ORG, and also send a copy to the County Supervisors, Bob Buster, Jeff Stone, John Tavaglione, Marion Ashley and John Benoit. Every letter counts, they really do matter! And please come to the hearing, protecting our children's health and environment matters.

Please send this along to your mom network. The more voices the better chance we have of being heard.

Sincerely, Kristi

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
and  
**INTENT TO CERTIFY AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

A **PUBLIC HEARING** has been scheduled, pursuant to Riverside County , Noise Ordinance No. 847, and Surface Mining Ordinance No. 555 before the **RIVERSIDE COUNTY** to consider the project shown below:

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT NO. 475, SURFACE MINING PERMIT NO. 213 (Liberty Quarry), CHANGE OF ZONE NO. 7508 and NOISE ORDINANCE EXCEPTION NO. 2** – State Clearinghouse Number 20077061104 – Applicant: Granite Construction Co. – Engineer/Representative: Lilburn Corporation - First Supervisorial District – Rancho California Zoning Area – Southwest Area Plan: Open Space: Rural: Rural Mountainous (R:RM) — 414 Gross Acres - Zoning: Rural Residential (R-R) – APN: 918-090-007 through 042, 918-100-001 through 008, 918-110-001, 918-100-012, 918-110-028, 918-120-044, 918-130-043, 918-130-031 (County of San Diego APN 102-230-066).

**TIME OF HEARING:** 4 pm or as soon as possible thereafter.  
**DATE OF HEARINGS:** Tuesday April 26, 2011 and Tuesday May 3, 2011  
**PLACE OF HEARING:** The Rancho Community Church, located at 31300 Rancho Community Way, Temecula, CA 92592  
**SCHEDULED BREAK:** From 6 pm-7 pm or as soon as possible thereafter

**Project Description:**

Granite Construction Company (Granite) is requesting a Surface Mining Permit (SMP213) to construct and operate a 414 acre site located in southwest Riverside County. Applications include a **Surface Mining Permit** proposing an aggregate quarry; a **Change of Zone** requesting a zone change from Rural Residential (R-R) to Mineral Resources and Related Manufacturing (M-R-A) on 14 parcels consisting of 110 acres in the center of the site where the processing plant shall be located; and a **Noise Ordinance Exception** requesting exception from the County noise requirements set forth in County Ordinance No. 847. The **Environmental Impact Report** studied the proposed project and its impacts.

**Project Location:**

The project site is located in the southern end of the Santa Ana Mountains in the Southwest Area Plan of unincorporated Riverside County, south of the City of Temecula, to the west of Interstate 15, just north of the San Diego County line. Note that approximately two and a half acres and the site entrance is located in San Diego County, north of the community of Rainbow.

**Outline of Hearing:**

The Hearing will consist of the following:

1. A presentation by Planning Staff
2. An opening presentation by the Applicant
3. Public Testimony
4. Rebuttal presentation by the Applicant

The Commission may ask questions of Staff, the Applicant or speaker at any point during the Hearing. It is anticipated that the public testimony will span the two scheduled Hearings. The Staff presentation and Applicant's opening presentation will only be given on the April 26<sup>th</sup> Hearing date.

**Submitted Comments:**

Written comments received prior to the public hearing will be submitted to the Planning Commission, and the Planning Commission will consider such comments, in addition to any oral testimony, before making a decision on the proposed project.

**Public Testimony:**

Any person wishing to testify in person on the proposed project may appear and be heard at the time and place noted above. A member of the public wishing to speak will be permitted to be heard up to two (2) minutes. A member of the public who is present, but does not wish to speak, may give his or her time to another member of the public who does wish to speak; provided, however, that no more than four members shall give their time to a single speaker.

The Planning Commission Chairman may, in his discretion, impose shorter time limits for any of the following reasons: to ensure that the meeting is completed within a reasonable period, to ensure that the meeting is completed before an anticipated loss of a quorum or to otherwise facilitate the business of the Hearing Body.

Two Hearing dates have been scheduled, if a speaker wishes to present testimony on both dates the time allotted on the second date may also be limited at the discretion of the Planning Commission Chairman. If handouts or printed reference materials are being provided, the speaker must present twelve copies to the Planning Commission secretary or designee for distribution to the Hearing Body and staff.

An appropriate level of decorum is required for the hearing. Please note-

- Signs, placards or posters, if brought into the hearing chamber, shall not be located or handled in a manner which prevents any member of the audience from observing or participating in the hearing, or in any way disrupts the hearing process.
  - All cell phones, pagers, and other electronic devices that may disrupt the meeting shall be silenced. The Commission requests that the audience refrain from using these devices during the Public Hearing.
- No applause or other noise making will be permitted.

- All attendees must be respectful of the facilities and not disrupt the surrounding community while arriving or departing from the Hearing.

**Document Availability:**

The final environmental impact report (EIR475), including responses to comments, may be viewed Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Planning Department office, located at or online at

[http://www.rctlma.org/planning/content/temp/liberty\\_quarry.html](http://www.rctlma.org/planning/content/temp/liberty_quarry.html)

In addition, copies of the documents and CDs are available at the following libraries for public review:

**City of Riverside Main Library**

3581 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, California, 92501

(951) 826-5201

**University of California at Riverside, Tomas Rivera Library**

950 University Avenue, Riverside, CA 92521

UCR Campus (south of bell tower)

(951) 827-3220

**Temecula Public Library**

30600 Pauba Road, Temecula, CA 92592

(951) 693-8900

**Grace Mellman Community Library (Temecula County Center Library)**

41000 County Center Drive, Temecula, CA 92591

(951) 296-3893

**Murrieta Public Library**

Eight Town Square, Murrieta, CA 92562

(951) 304-BOOK

**Fallbrook Branch of the San Diego County Libraries**

124 S. Mission Rd., Fallbrook, CA, 92028

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The Riverside County Planning Department has determined that the above-described project has the potential to have a significant effect on the environment and has prepared an environmental impact report. Environmental Impact Report No. 475, which identifies all significant environmental effects, has been prepared in conjunction with the above referenced applications that constitute the proposed project. The Planning Commission will consider the proposed project, and the final environmental impact report, at the public hearing.

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