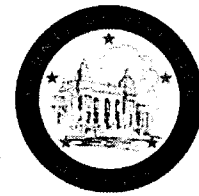


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM
1.4
(ID # 10707)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

FROM: TLMA-PLANNING:

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION & LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/PLANNING: RECEIVE AND FILE THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO APPROVE SURFACE MINING PERMIT NO. 194, REVISION NO. 1 AND ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION - Applicant: Skanska - Engineer/Representative: Lilburn Corporation - Fourth Supervisorial District - Lower Berdoo Canyon Zoning District - Western Coachella Valley Area Plan - General Plan: Open Space - Mineral Resources (OS-Min) - Location: North of Interstate 10 and Berdoo Canyon Road, east of Dillon Road, southeast of Sky Valley - 95.2 Gross Acres - Zoning: Mineral Resources & Related Manufacturing (M-R-A) - REQUEST: Receive and file the Planning Commission's approval of SMP No. 194R1, which proposes a revision to the existing approved Dillon Road Mine and which is located on a site encompassing approximately 95.2 acres within eastern Riverside County. SMP No. 194R1 permits the approximately seven acres disturbed outside the 1995 approved boundary in the south-central portion that were previously scraped for mining for a total project size of approximately 64.6 acres. It also extends the length of the permit for an additional 25 years until December 31, 2044, and eliminates the asphalt plant from long-term plans. Approximately 41 acres of the planned 64.6 acre site are currently disturbed by past mining with a mined slope of approximately 65 feet in depth. Approximately 58 acres are currently permitted under SMP No.194. Skanska submitted a revised SMP and an Interim Management Plan (IMP) as the site had been operated on an intermittent basis and had no production for a one year period. APNs: 745-310-003 and 745-320-012. District 4. [Applicant Fees 100%]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

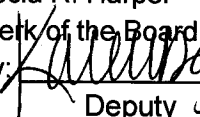
1. **RECEIVE AND FILE** the Notice of Decision for the above-referenced case acted on by the Planning Commission on August 7, 2019.


Charise Lebow, Assistant TLMA Director 9/3/2019

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is received and filed as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Perez and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: Washington
Date: September 10, 2019
xc: Planning

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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The Planning Department recommended Approval; and, THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

ADOPTED a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION for ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 42690, based on the findings incorporated in the initial study and the conclusion that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment; and,

APPROVED SURFACE MINING PERMIT NO. 194, REVISION NO. 1, subject to the attached conditions of approval and advisory notification document, and based upon the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
NET COUNTY COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Applicant Fees 100%			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	N/A

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Dillon Road Mine was originally permitted under Surface Mining Permit (SMP) No. 144 in the 1980s and, more recently, was approved by the County to mine approximately 58 acres in September 1995 for a 20-year period as SMP No. 194. The Environmental Assessment (EA) 36858 (Mitigated Negative Declaration [MND]) was also adopted by the County Planning Commission at this time to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The former Conditions of Approval (COAs) were adopted and are still in place and required to be implemented as applicable by the operator.

Surface Mining Permit No. 194 Revision No. 1 (SMP No. 194R1 or proposed revision) proposes a revision to the existing approved 58-acre Dillon Road Mine. The property site encompasses approximately 95.2 acres within eastern Riverside County and is located northeast of the city of Indio, approximately seven miles north of Interstate 10 (I-10). SMP No. 194R1 is requesting adding approximately 6.6 acres that were scraped for mining outside the 1995 approved mine limits, but within the property boundary in the south-central portion, for a revised total mine site of approximately 64.6 acres, extending the length of the permit for an additional 25 years (until December 31, 2044) to allow future utilization of the construction aggregate resources (sand and gravel) for local construction projects, and eliminating the future use of an approved asphalt plant from long-term plans.

The site is located within a Riverside County General Plan area designated Open Space – Mineral Resources (OS-MR) and zoned Mineral Resources & Related Manufacturing (M-R-A). Approximately 41 acres of the planned 64.6 acre site are currently disturbed by past mining with a mined slope of approximately 65 feet in depth. The mine is expected to produce aggregate on an on-demand basis to meet mainly construction projects; therefore, it could be idle for inactive

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periods of over one year or more. The operator will notify the County when the site meets the definition of "idle" and requirements per the State Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA) and County Ordinance No. 555, Section 14 to submit and implement an Interim Management Plan (IMP).

During active periods, the mining operations will utilize loaders and dozers for the extraction of aggregate material from the pit, feeding the material into a portable crushing/screening plant for sorting and sizing, stockpiling the finished materials by size and product, and loading trucks for off-site shipping. The site will include maintenance/management/employee trailers, portable fuel storage tank(s), portable water tank, and a truck scale. No changes to production are requested. Planned production will remain at an average of 100,000 tons per year (TPY) and occasionally a maximum of 200,000 TPY as previously approved. All other project parameters will be unchanged from the 1995 approved plan including slopes, setbacks, production, traffic, and reclamation. The mine will be "horse-shoe shaped" with slopes reclaimed to 4H:1V (horizontal: vertical) and the maximum quarry depth will be 100 feet at the base of the northeastern slope. Setbacks on the east as established and conditioned by the 1995 approval will be maintained at 325 feet to limit any off-site head cut erosion. All existing conditions of approval will remain in place with some conditions updated to current regulations.

Reclamation activities will be ongoing throughout the operational life of the quarry. At the conclusion of mining and production, final reclamation of one year will commence followed by monitoring the site's reclamation and revegetation success until deemed meeting its reclamation parameters. The post-mining or future land use is open space habitat. In 1995, an MND (Environmental Assessment No. 36858) was adopted by the County Planning Commission to comply with CEQA. Conditions of approval were adopted and are still in-place and implemented as applicable by the operator. Due to the proposed revisions, a new MND (Environmental Assessment No. 42690) has been prepared by the County to assess the potential impacts and changes that SMP No. 194R1 may have on the environment. On-site operating hours, other than maintenance or emergencies, will be between 6:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M., Monday through Saturday. Operations shall be prohibited on Sundays and federally recognized holidays. The project is located north of Interstate 10 and Berdoo Canyon Road, east of Dillon Road, southeast of Sky Valley and is within the Western Coachella Valley Area Plan.

The Planning Commission approved the project on August 7, 2019, with a 5-0 vote.

Board Action

The Planning Commission's decision is final and no action by the Board of Supervisors is required unless the Board assumes jurisdiction by ordering the matter set for a future noticed public hearing, or the applicant or an interested person files a complete appeal application within 10 days of this notice appearing on the Board's agenda.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The impacts of this project have been evaluated through the environmental review and public hearing process by the Planning Department and the Planning Commission.

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SUPPLEMENTAL

Additional Fiscal Information

All fees are paid by the applicant, there is no General Fund obligation.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. **PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**
- B. **PLANNING COMMISSION STAFF REPORT**



Jason Farin, Senior Management Analyst

9/4/2019



Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel

9/3/2019



**PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTE ORDER
AUGUST 7, 2019**

I. AGENDA ITEM 4.3

SURFACE MINING PERMIT NO. 00194, REVISION NO. 1 – Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration – EA42690 – Applicant: Skanska – Engineer/Representative: Lilburn Corporation – Fourth Supervisorial District – Lower Berdoo Canyon Zoning District – Western Coachella Valley Area Plan – General Plan: Open Space – Mineral Resources (OS-Min) – Location: Northerly of of Interstate 10 (I-10) and Berdoo Canyon Road, easterly of Dillon Road, and southeasterly of Sky Valley – 95.2 Gross Acres – Zoning: Mineral Resources & Related Manufacturing (M-R-A).

II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Surface Mining Permit No 194, Revision No. 1 proposes a revision to the existing Riverside County approved 58-acres Dillon Road Mine (SMP 194). The property encompasses approximately 95.2 acres within eastern Riverside County and is located northeast of the City of Indio, approximately seven (7) miles north of I-10. The proposed revision is requesting to add approximately 6.6 acres that were scraped for mining outside the 1995 approved mine limits but within their property boundary in the south-central portion for a revised total mine site of approximately 64.6 acres; extend the length of time for the mining permit for an additional 25 years until December 31, 2044, to allow future utilization of the construction aggregate resources (sand and gravel) for local construction projects; and eliminate the future use of an approved asphalt plant from long-term plans. Approximately 41 acres of the planned 64.6-acre site are currently disturbed by past mining activities. No changes to production rates are requested. Planned production will remain at an average of 100,000 tons per year (tpy) and occasionally a maximum of 200,000 (tpy) as previously approved. Skanska also submitted an Interim Management Plan (IMP) as the mine site had been operated only on an intermittent basis and had no reported production for a one (1) year period. The mine is anticipated to remain in an idle state for the near future.

III. MEETING SUMMARY:

The following staff presented the subject proposal:
Project Planner: Dionne Harris at (951) 955- 6836 or email at dharris@rivco.org.

Spoke in favor:
Tim Mahoney, Applicant's Representative

No one spoke in opposition or in a neutral position.

IV. CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES:

None.

V. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

Public Comments: Closed

Motion by Commissioner Sanchez, 2nd by Commissioner Shaffer
A vote of 5-0

ADOPTED a Mitigated Negative Declaration for Environmental Assessment No. 42690; and,

APPROVED Surface Mining Permit No. 194, Revision No. 1, subject to the conditions of approval.