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Re: More Additional Information Objecting to Proposed Small Mining Permit in Bondurant WY

Background

This letter supplements the objection letters we previously submitted on September 4, 2024 and September 6, 2024 (the "Original Letters").

The additional information I'm providing relates to the unsafe operation of the existing gravel pit. While this was mentioned in our letter of September 4, 2024, I once again experienced this unsafe behavior today. Specifically, the gravel pit does not appear to have been active this year until this past Wednesday (9/4/2024). Coincidentally, the first time we saw equipment at the gravel pit was approximately two hours after we submitted our letter.

Today, I was driving on Dell Creek Rd about 1:20pm headed towards Highway 191. Approximately one quarter of a mile from Highway 191, a heavy duty truck sped past me going at least 45 miles an hour. The driver of the truck was talking on his phone and holding the phone in his hands. He then turned into the gravel pit. This driver violated at least two laws: speeding and a prohibition of commercial drivers to use any devices while driving. In addition, the dust created from this speeding on Dell Creek Rd with a heavy duty truck leaves a large dust cloud.

I have regularly experienced this dangerous behavior from trucks entering and leaving the gavel pit. Thus, contrary to the applicant's assertion that their employees are trained to operate in a safe and legal manner, they do not obey laws and regulations. I would recommend that the existing gravel permit be revoked and would certainly deny their application for a small mining permit.

Sincerely, Daniel Shefter and Lucyna Shefter 120 Dell Creek Rd.