



Public Notice – Scoping Meeting

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

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PUBLIC NOTICE SCOPING MEETING

WHO: County of San Luis Obispo Department of Planning and Building

WHAT: The Planning & Building Department will be preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed Hanson Aggregates (Santa Margarita Quarry Expansion) Conditional Use Permit / Reclamation Plan Amendment and invites you and other interested persons and organizations to a scoping meeting for the project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Hanson Aggregates Mid-Pacific is requesting a Conditional Use Permit and a Reclamation Plan Amendment to allow for the expansion of an existing surface mine. The purpose of the request is to extend the existing entitled timeframe for mining operations at the Santa Margarita Quarry. The extended entitlement timeframe for mining operations would be achieved by adding an additional 33 acres to the existing entitled 160 acre Reclamation Plan Area boundary. The project will result in the disturbance of approximately 193 acres on eight parcels totaling 2,175.6 acres in size (APN 070-091-037 = 1,708.8 acres, APN 070-121-021 = 73.4 acres, APN 070-131-003 = 205.8 acres, APN 070-131-018 = 5.4 acres, APN 070-131-022 = 78.7 acres, APN 070-141-006 = 35.9, APN 070-141-054 = 50.2 acres, APN 070-154-033 = 17.4 acres). As proposed, the estimated duration of mining activities would be approximately 59 years with an additional 5 years to complete the proposed reclamation plan.

It is estimated that approximately 11,700,000 tons of mining reserves remain under the current entitlement and that the proposed expansion would provide an additional 21,500,000 tons of reserves, for a combined total of 33,200,000 tons of reserves over the estimated duration of mining activities. The existing entitlement limits the mining operation to a maximum annual extraction of 700,000 tons of reserves, which would also be the yearly maximum for the life of the proposed project. The existing entitlement also limits the number of daily truckloads and the operating hours, which would be in place for the life of the proposed project. The existing mining operation employs 15 full-time positions, and changes are not anticipated in the employment levels as a result of the project.

WHERE: The Scoping Meeting for this project will be held on **Thursday, June 27, 2013 at 6:00pm** at the **Santa Margarita Elementary School, 22070 H Street, Santa Margarita, CA 93453.**

HOW TO GET MORE INFORMATION: The Project Description and Preliminary Environmental Review Summary (as well as all studies prepared for the project) are available on the Planning Department's website: <http://www.sloplanning.org> under "Environmental and Natural Resources ..." then "Environmental Notices..." and Hanson (Santa Margarita Quarry Expansion)". Please contact Xzandrea Fowler at (805) 781-1172 or xfowler@co.slo.ca.us for additional information.

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