

There is no good reason to operate yet a third quarry in such close proximity to homeowners and tourists. This is not a suitable operation for our neighborhood: wind patterns in the area carrying dust and noise, release of valley fever spores and other particulate matter into the air supply from excavation, waste of the precious and occasionally scarce water supply in the area, as well as the risk of injury and death from the sudden introduction of an enormous number of slow-moving trucks onto Highway 58. That road is not suitable for such a volume of traffic; there are dangerous blind spots. Fatalities are sure to occur since those large trucks cannot make the curves and stay in their own lane of traffic.

I have heard the purported operators of the quarry have questionable business practices, particularly in vehicle maintenance. How will the mandate of keeping their vehicles in good operating condition be enforced?

The concerns highlighted in the Initial Study must be fully investigated through a thorough Environmental Impact Report, and then another Community Meeting should be set. Thank you.

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