

## Comment

First, I am very concerned about traffic; this would cause troubling congestion and what cause would trucks have on a road? This would be trouble for a road that allows no passing and has very limited visibility, no shoulder for pedestrians or bicycles, all of which often frequent this road, thus causing a substantial hazard to people on or traveling on this road (many blind corners). Many people may want to pass slow trucks with poor visibility causing harm or death to innocent people. The increase of trucks will cause many unjust hazards. We already deal with a few local trucks on this road and can not imagine more. This road and an increase in traffic is not a good mix!! Especially slow loaded- heavy trucks.

Secondly, just this morning I passed the Hanson Quarry off of El Camino Real and there were no less than twenty trucks waiting to load, all waiting in a line; where would it be possible for trucks waiting to load park?; other than on highway 58? All parked just after a series of sharp blind turns in the road. People live far from town and are often driving in a hurry. Imagine if there were lines of trucks blocking the highway? An accident waiting to happen!! Also, consequently in the opposite direction there is a long strait away, then a sharp turn in the road, and then there is a down hill across the Salinas River Bridge, trucks stopped, cars waiting, and someone comes across the turn at normal speed – no where to go – right into another vehicle or worst yet, a large truck- another accident (fatality) waiting to happen.

Next, Trucks passing next to an elementary school where our children cross and play are also not a very good combination, and then additionally, a one lane road with a rail road crossing that is already congested and has long line with today's traffic, not to mention without the increase of more trucks. Have you ever been by the elementary school when parents are dropping of children it can be a challenge, just with the status quo of today's situation! Let alone what will it be like with a line of semis and trailers. Also what affect would the increase of heavy truck have on the condition of the road? Pot holes, cracks, and other failures?

Water consumption brings concerns and are frightening, as our wells are very limited, what affects would this have on local wells? Also the noise from trucks, blasting and dust are all major concerns as well as the possibility of Valley fever incurred from dust. We are just down wind of this proposed Quarry, as the direction of the prevailing winds blow right up the canyon from the mouth of the canyon right where this pit would be.

Can we blow dirt and dust on your house? And listen to our pristine quietness disappear. Blasting heavy equipment crushers, trucks- **No thank you**

The road washed out in front of the neighbor's house a few years back and the neighbor died from a rare form of blood cancer shortly after (2 years). It was brought to question about the role of the air quality and many concerns arose? How may the air quality be affected from this Quarry? Especially, what effect would it have if they are not washing the material from this pit?

Would you, or could we pull a pit next to your house?

I personally am not too happy or in favor of this Quarry!!

Finally, I hope the board considers the local community and denies the permit.

Thank you  
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