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April 5, 2021

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Delivered Via E-Mail

Attention: Jacqueline Targett

Dear Ms. Targett:

Subject: BURNCO Rock Products Ltd.

Burma Road Gravel Pit – Circulation Response

Renewal of PRDP20151672

BURNCO Rock Products Ltd. (BURNCO) is providing the following response to the circulation comments received by Rocky View County from adjacent residents with regard to the renewal of PRP20151672.

The circulation occurred at the same time as a circulation of the adjacent Scott Pit Land Use. In reviewing the comments provided by adjacent property owners, it appears that a number of responses provided feedback overlapping with comments on the Scott Pit application. Opposition is expressed to "another gravel pit", to "redesignation", and to "more gravel pits". These appear to be in reference to the Scott Pit as the BURNCO Burma Gravel Pit has been in operation since the 1990's. That said, twelve responses appear to have been received and all touch on some common themes:

Noise / Dust

BURNCO is extremely proud of the Burma Gravel Pit. This site has industry leading mitigations including large landscaped screening berms, enclosed processing equipment, and a high level of attention paid to progressive reclamation. This site is shut down for nights and no crushing occurs on Saturdays, Sundays, or Statutory Holidays. This has resulted in an extremely well kept and operated site. BURNCO does not believe that this operation is having an undue impact on its neighbors.



Truck Traffic

BURNCO works closely with the Rocky View County as well as the City of Calgary to encourage responsible trucking behaviors. BURNCO is a strong supporter of the Alberta Sand and Gravel Truck Registry program which provides a system of truck identification and compliant. BURNCO is also proud of the initiatives which have been implemented in the Spy Hill area of Calgary through the City CAPL committee. These include a daily sweeping program along key routes during the summer construction season, period bylaw patrols to enhance compliance, and incremental investment in NW truck routes to enhance pedestrian access, widen shoulders, and improve intersections in the area.

Home Values

BURNCO believes that land values are best addressed with thoughtful site planning. The landscaped screening berm at this site has minimized the visual impact of this operation on Neighbors. BURNCO also has industry leading mitigations for noise, dust, and truck traffic. In combination, BURNCO does not feel that it is having an undue impact on neighboring property values.

We thank you for your consideration. BURNCO has reviewed a number of the Agency comments and would be receptive to addressing any required studies, assessments or plan updates as prior to issuance conditions.

Sincerely,

BURNCO Rock Products Ltd

Travis Coates, P. Eng

Land and Resource Manager Alberta and Saskatchewan

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Jacqueline Targett

From: Kerry Rioux

Sent: Friday, October 23, 2020 11:26 AM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Application number PRDPDP20202785

Importance: High

Categories: Gravel

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Re: Application number PRDPDP20202785

Applicant Burnco Properties Ltd

Hello,

I wish to add my name to those who are <u>STRONGLY OPPOSED</u> to this development approval. Another gravel pit operation so close to residential homes would be a travesty and extremely unfair to residents who have lived here and made this their home. The resulting traffic, particulate dust (a known health hazard) and noise will negatively affect not only our health, but quality of life and property values in an extremely negative way. <u>PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE THIS.</u>

NW Calgary has enough gravel extraction centers that already create chaos via the points mentioned. The gravel vein runs much further out, away from residential properties. There is simply NO NEED to put them this close to such a pristine area where residents have invested decades in maintaining this. These have been denied many times – how often must we defend this? Enough already – please tell these companies NO – the residents don't want this! <u>Literally ALL OF US do NOT want this!</u>

Sincerely,

Kerry Rioux 49 Silverwoods Drive

From: CHRIS BLOOMER

Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2020 2:07 PM

To: Evan Neilsen; Andrea Bryden; Althea Panaguiton; Division 8, Samanntha Wright;

gbhoehlke@rockyview.ca

Cc: Minister MunicipalAffairs

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Application #: PL20200093/0094 (File #s: 06605001, 06605002, 06605003,

06605004, 066-5005 and #: PRDPDP20202785

Categories: Gravel

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I am writing to express opposition to Application #: PL20200093/0094 (File #s: 06605001, 06605002, 06605003, 06605004, 066-5005 and #: PRDPDP20202785 concerning the designation of lands currently approved as rural agriculture to allow for Lehigh Hanson's application to develop a large new gravel mining operation, the Scott Farm development. I am also writing to also oppose Burnco's application to conduct assessment work at their current gravel mining operation that could result in the expansion of their current operation.

I am a long time resident of Silverwoods and have been through the previous attempts to reclassify the the Scott Lands to allow for gravel mining. This is the third attempt by Lehigh Hanson. The previous two attempts were appropriately voted down by Rocky View Council. This matter should have been settled as a matter of "settled expectations". I have a long experience as a project proponent for oil and gas, oil sands and pipeline projects in Canada and internationally.

A long time has passed since the first application by Lehigh Hanson and the current application, at least a decade. A lot has changed with respect to expectations as to how developments are brought forward by proponents and evaluated by governing jurisdictions and most importantly how stakeholders are treated. There are higher expectations with respect to consultation, engagement, mitigation, cumulative effects and the ability of directly affected engage in the process.

With respect to consultation, Lehigh Hansen has not met even minimal standards to engage the directly affected stakeholders to garner "social license" for the project. They have merely repackaged and expanded their previous application. More volume does not make the project acceptable as the issues remain the same. This is also being pursued at a rather convenient time when we are enduring COVID and there are economic challenges to all communities that are distracting stakeholders. Engagement with stakeholders has been disrespectful and dismissive, in my experience. This is a cynical perspective but I think it has merits.

On the issue of mitigation, there is high standard for long lived projects that have permanent impacts like gravel mining operations that will be in operation for decades. The mitigation attempts by current operators have been weak. Building a berm and planting a few spindly trees is not mitigation to the visual ethics; sound and dust mitigation is similarly weak.

Cumulative effects have been discussed in previous attempts but have not been adequately addressed. Noise, harmful dust emissions, the impact of increased heavy load traffic and the

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increased risks to area residents, loss of precious wetland habitat over a significant portion of the lands. There are higher standards and expectations today.

The ability for directly affected stakeholders to meaningfully engage in the assessment of a proponents project is fundamental to any project proposal. Where project proponents have the ability to produce highly technical and voluminous reports and analysis for their projects the directly affected stakeholders need to have "capacity" to fully engage in the process to evaluate the proposed project. Stakeholders require adequate funding to fully evaluate and verify the proponents project and to put forward alternate technical and social analysis as well as options. It is a tremendous imposition on directly affected communities to be able to meaningfully engage in the process. There has to be adequate time for stakeholder to conduct their assessment. The current timing rushes and abuses the process. There is no urgency for the proponent. The process should meet current standards to allow for stakeholders the time to thoroughly assess the project. Stakeholders should have the funding to engage their own experts.

In addition, the Burnco application is of concern too as they plan to evaluate their land, that one would assume would lead to an expansion. This potential along with a Lehigh Hanson project would be a huge addition to cumulative impacts for the area. These operations are not independent of each other and have to viewed in the together for the big picture.

I look forward to engaging with my fellow community members and you on this matter.

Sincerely,

Chris bloomer Gianna Bloomer

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Jacqueline Targett

From: Kelsi Urban

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 2:05 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Application # PRDPDP20202785

Categories: Development Permit

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Hi there my name is Kelsi Urban we live at 36 Meadow Bay, We are a HARD NO to any gravel pits happening or continuing in this area Bearspaw, Rocky view County. Our children were both born very premature and have very bad Asthma, the dust is awful and hard on there lungs and others as well. Please STOP with the Gravel pits already. The Noise is awful, they bring our house value down enough is enough. NO GRAVEL PITS PLEASE.

Thank you Dominic and Kelsi Urban

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Jacqueline Targett

From: Judith

Sent: Friday, October 9, 2020 11:04 AM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - on application PRDPDP20202785/Burnco

Categories: Development Permit

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Please no more gravel pits. I cannot breath well with the dust in the air from all these gravel pits already and the dust factor here is unbelievable. We have noise all night and during the day.

Sometimes louder than normal. We have three around us, please no more and no to getting bigger. Plus we are on a well for our water and cannot afford the co-op water to be brought in.

We don't see the wild life as much anymore, because of the trucks and noise. Our acreage life of peace and quiet are not exiting any more. The noise and the dust is not want we wanted in our retirement life. Please listen to the people here, we have three in our back yard and I see one from my window one and another one wants to come across from us. Please don't let our value of our home be affected.

Thankyou
Judith Zariwny
21 Silverwoods Drive

From: Michelle Mitton

Sent: Friday, October 16, 2020 12:57 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] - Air Quality in Residential Areas - Gravel Country NW

Attachments: Burnco DP 2020.docx

Categories: Development Permit

MICHELLE MITTON, M.SC

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----Original Message-----

From: Mike Edwards

Sent: October 14, 2020 3:48 PM

To: Legislative Services Shared < Legislative Services@rockyview.ca>

Cc: Theresa Cochran <TCochran@rockyview.ca>; Andrea Bryden <ABryden@rockyview.ca>; Travis Coates <Travis.Coates@burnco.com>; Lynn Que <Lynn.que@ahs.ca>; Dr. Jason Cabaj <Jason.Cabaj@ahs.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Air Quality in Residential Areas - Gravel Country NW

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Althea Panaguiton - Rocky View County

Dear Althea,

Attached, please find a submission regarding Application Number WORDPRESS20202785 - Burnco Rock Products (Burma Road).

Mike Edwards 32 Crestview Estates, Calgary

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M.W. Edwards
32 Crestview Estates
Calgary, Alberta
Canada T3R 1E1
11 October 2020

Althea Panaguiton Planner – County of Rocky View 262075 Rocky View Point Rocky View County, AB T4A 0X2

In the Matter of: Application PRDPDP20202785 – Burnswest, Burma Road

Dear Althea,

Please consider this my written reply to your request dated October 2, 2020 received October 9, 2020 for expressions of interest respecting a Burnco gravel extraction operation on Burma Road.

Please be reminded of the fact that a judicial review of Rocky View decisions respecting new gravel operations near HWY567 was rendered by Justice J.T. Eamon https://blog.carscallen.com/big-win-for-carscallen-llp-in-court-dispute There is a lot of 'crowing' by the legal firm about its 'victory' but the Court decided that Rocky View needed to account for the 'cumulative effects' of multiple extraction and crushing operations. I believe the citizens of Rocky View would be well served if our County heeded the Court's advice and took into account the effect of multiple extraction operations upon air quality where people live in the northwest Calgary area and Rocky View County (Bearspaw). In addition to the Burnco permit up for renewal, there are the following gravel operations: Lafarge, STAR (Burnco 30%, Lafarge, 60%, Volker-Stevin 10%), Lehigh Hanson (Spy Hill), Volker-Stevin and the City of Calgary. All except (possibly) the City of Calgary are considered major operations with all of the externalities that such operations entail, including noise and dust. This letter will focus upon dust and request that 'cumulative effects' analyses are undertaken prior to any extension of the Burnco permit on Burma Road in Rocky View.

To illustrate the concept of 'isopleths', attached is an excerpt (page 18 – Millennium Air Quality Study) from the Lehigh Hanson 2010 Burma Road application (also called Scott Farm). It is used only to illustrate the concept of an 'isopleth' which is a line of constant concentration around a point source of emittance (such as a crusher). The maximum projection for particulate matter 2.5 (PM 2.5) in 2010, according to Lehigh Hanson's consultants, would have been $30\mu g/CM$ right around Crestview Estates. The expected concentration around the Burnco facility (because of the proposed Lehigh Hanson facility), according to the isopleth, would have been about $17.5 \mu g/CM$. Isopleth values are additive, so that when they cross each other, the values from both lines must be added together to obtain the resulting value at that particular geographical point. In the Burnco case, we have crossing isopleths from STAR, Lafarge, Lehigh Hanson (Spy Hill) Volker-

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Stevin and the City's pit as well as Burnco itself and any ambient concentration including the heavy trucks that regularly use Burma Road to deliver gravel products to Cochrane and points west. If the County approved another extraction operation, such as Lehigh Hanson's proposed Burma Road application, it would have to be added in too. Needless to say, the air people breathe who have to live there, is compromised by the air contamination brought about by the multiple gravel extraction operations nearby. Hopefully, Alberta Health Services has brought this to the attention of the County

Regulatory Creep – a process by which restrictions in a government permission are gradually relaxed over time by those responsible for enforcement. This often occurs 'offline'. Burnco has benefitted from 'regulatory creep' before. Toward that end, would you please provide a listing of any permit provisions that have changed in the proposed regulations from the last permit? Thanks!

Regarding PM 2.5, the Calgary Regional Airshed Zone (CRAZ), of which Rocky View is a Member, offers the following:

There is no safe level of exposure and increased levels of particulate matter may cause congestion, difficulty breathing, asthma attacks, and occasionally death. PM 2.5 is also associated with an increase in heart attacks. (Page 4, CRAZ Newsletter, November 2012)

Health Canada also offers advice respecting PM 2.5 in a recent publication availale at: http://publications.gc.ca/collections/collection_2019/sc-hc/H144-51-2019-eng.pdfIn

Please check out the list of PM 2.5 related afflictions shown on Page 11 and the morbidity rate due to PM 2.5 on Page 13.

In short, an air quality study, including isopleth analyses, is important to the health of area residents (and taxpayers). Rocky View residents living in Church Ranches, Briarwoods and Silverwoods did not choose to live there to enjoy the externalities of gravel extraction – and live shorter lives.

Yours Truly,

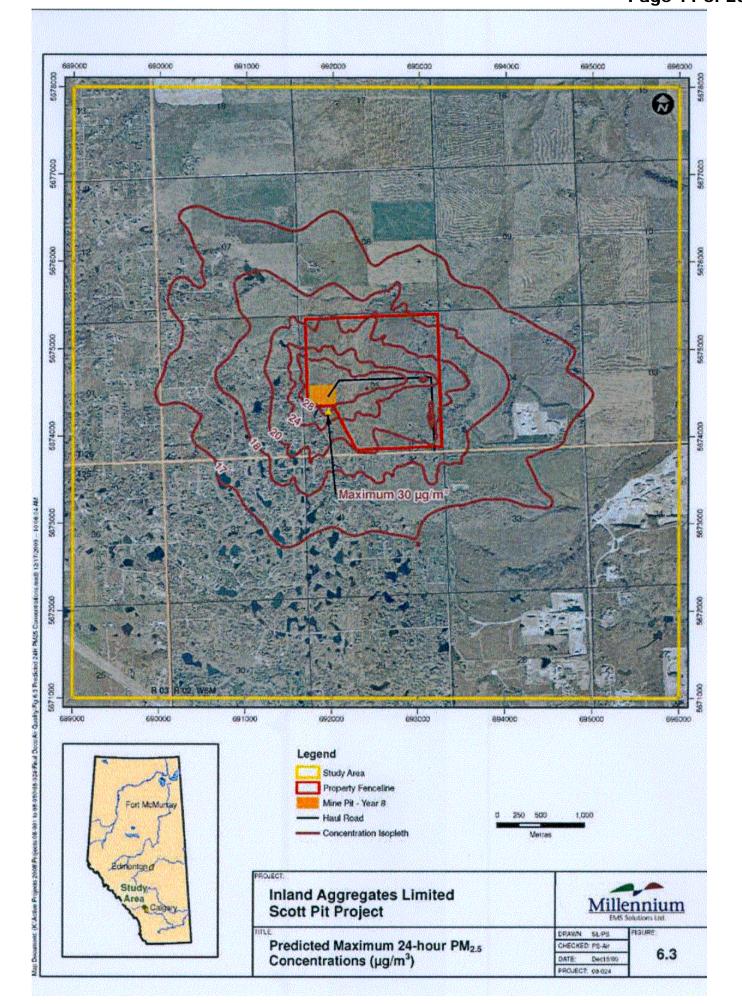
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M.W. Edwards

STAR Entrance

Bearspaw Christian School





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Jacqueline Targett

From:

Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2020 3:15 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Burnco PRDPDP20202785

Categories: Development Permit

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I am concerned with this application as a neighbor Burnco has not been living up to the initial agreement of 1997 that got amended by Rocky view council in 2005 without consultation from any of the adjacent land owners where the hours of operation were amended. That agreement ended in 2010 and we are unaware of another agreement. I would like to see the a new agreement revert back to the original 1997 agreement the main issue is the hours of operation. As far as the buildings if they remain in the same location it is not a problem.

I would like to see the reclamation of the pit to the original topography started soon as I believe when it is finished Rocky View will be left with a hole. There has been real plan as to how it will be finished including timeline.

Pat Green 260233 Range Road 23

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Jacqueline Targett

From: DOUGLAS MORRISON

Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 12:07 AM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Application PRDPDP20202785

Attachments: Burnco.docx

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Ms. Panaguiton - my view regarding this application from Burnco.

Doug Morrison

From:

Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 1:55 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton
Cc: rwgibson12@gmail.com

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Burnco Application PRDPDP20202785

Categories: Gravel

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Attention: Althea Panaguiton - Planner

Re: Application Number: PRDPDP20202785

Roll Number: 06604002/06604003/06604004/06604005/06604006

Applicant: BURNCO Rock Products Ltd. - Travis Coates

The application indicates that this is simply for a "renewal". Please confirm that this will involve no additional buildings or traffic on the site.

Our residence is located approximately 1 km from the existing Burnco and STAR gravel pits, and across Burma Road from the proposed Inland Scott Property gravel pit development. We are most definitely not in favour of any incremental gravel development in the immediate area.

Regards,

Ralph & Judy Gibson

33 Silverwoods Drive

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Jacqueline Targett

From: Nasir Rahim

Sent: Friday, November 6, 2020 1:38 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Objection on: 06604002/06604003/06604004/06604005/060004006

Categories: Gravel

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Re: Application BURNCO Rocky Products Ltd - Travis Coates

Hello Althea Panaguiton,

We are the landlord of 255149 Rocky Ridge Road, Calgary, We received the letter from the county on above reference and application.

We are not in favor of this proposal and have following concerns as follows,

- 1. This creates noise pollution and sometimes this noise gives us an uncomfortable feeling leading to headache.
- 2. We not only saw dust around and we have a lot of gravel dust coming to our houses.
- 3. We can see this dust in the air when wind is in our houses direction. Which is not good for our health.

We are not at all in the favour of this pit as this will cause numerous damages to our and our community neighbour's health. Please feel free to contact us for any further information.

Best Regards,

Nasir and Ayesha Rahim

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Jacqueline Targett

From: Michelle Jakeman

Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2020 3:44 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Application # PRDPDP20202785 Burnco Rock Products

Categories: Gravel

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Hi Althea,

I am responding to the Notice I received for the above Application number for BURNCO to apply for a gravel pit.

I would like to express my concern and voice that I do not agree with another gravel pit in this area.

I have been in my home for 18+ years and the dust, noise, traffic is affecting health and value.

I am available for any further discussions if required.

Thank you,

Michelle

From: Matt Palsky

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 1:20 PM

To: Althea Panaguiton

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Re: Application PRDPDP20202785

Categories: Gravel

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Good Afternoon.

Bearspaw Christian School has received communication regarding the above mentioned Application. We would like to express our concerns with this application. We have two chief concerns we would like to take the time to explain.

1. Air quality.

As I am sure this is already something that is at the forefront of the applicants mind, air quality is a concern. We are a large community of people at BCS. We do have some parents with air quality being a concern and have discussed it with us. As an administration we need to express these concerns to the applicant and hoping in some way there is a bit of a plan to help with this. This is more specifically related to us as an organization because we are in the prevailing wind path from the applicant.

2. Large Trucks Traffic

This concern holds quite a bit more weight. Particularly on the corner of 144 ave and 69 st NW, we have 2 specific times of the day where we have an influx in vehicular traffic. The amount of large trucks and the speed at which they are going pose a very real threat as their has been some close encounters with our families and aggregate trucks. This is a multi-faceted problem and we intend as an organization to figure out solutions. We would like less gravel trucks on 144 ave OR some sort of partnership with concrete plans and target dates of potential solutions.

Our intention is to figure out solutions together! We look forward to hearing back!

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Warmest Regards,

Matt Palsky
Director of Operations
BEARSPAW CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
15001 - 69 Street NW, Calgary, AB T3R 1C5

From: Mardelle Gamble

Sent: Friday, October 23, 2020 11:54 AM

To: Evan Neilsen; Andrea Bryden; Althea Panaguiton; Division 8, Samanntha Wright;

Division 6, Greg Boehlke

Cc: Minister.MunicipalAffairs@gov.ab.ca

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Application #: PL20200093/0094 (File #s: 06605001, 06605002, 06605003,

06605004, 066-5005 and #: PRDPDP20202785

Categories: Gravel

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Good Morning Evan,

I wrote to you this past summer in relation to a concern I raised regarding the current, existing gravel pits that reside in our area. Your response is below. I am responding to it now as more than ever, it deems a reply.

My responses are in red.

In addition I have included Andrea Bryden and Althea Panaguiton on this email.

Andrea, this email is a formal written opposition to Lehigh Hanson's, an international company, application for a new gravel pit operation.

Anthea. this email is a formal written opposition to Burnco's application to expand it's current, existing gravel operations which will be right next door to the Lehigh Hanson's operations.

Gravel in our residential community is a direct violation of the social contract of our community.

The concerns, backed by science, are expressed below. As I stated answers in red.

On Aug 28, 2020, at 2:00 PM, <u>development@rockyview.ca</u> wrote:

Hello Dr. Gamble,

We always appreciate your thoughtful comments and always work to try and provide as much information as we have available.

In this specific instance, our level of regulation does not typically extend to having a County representative on-site at all times in order to confirm the operational status of a gravel pit at any given moment. This statement is concerning. Our goal is to serve the public interest to the greatest degree possible the direct voice of the public that is interested in this issue is NO MORE GRAVEL IN OUR RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY. Thus, no gravel would serve our public interest – a direction determined by both elected (your elected Councillors) and unelected (Executives within County Administration) decision makers. Unfortunately due to the actions of our current council, our elected representative has not been able to represent fully the interest of those who elected her to office. This despite the fact

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that the courts ruled in Councillor Wright's favour. The fact that the residents tax dollars were used to fight against our own elected representative, and then worse to challenge the Judge's ruling, seriously puts into question the current processes that are occurring within our RVC council and administration. I absolutely understand the deep care you bring to the future of the built environment within Bearspaw and our goal is to continue serving the public interest (as determined through the decision-making channels outlined above) to the greatest degree we are able. Our 'care' is that of a father and mother whose concern is backed by science. The evidence within the literature regarding the harmful effects of gravel is expansive, growing and extensively documented. This evidence has been provided to the county on more than one occasion. As stated previously, it causes cancer, worsens underlying lung and heart disease, and now in the setting of Covid 19 has shown to increase death. Harvard University was the first to state this effect and now more researchers are stating that even the smallest amounts of pm 2.5 particles, those directly associated with gravel, makes Covid 19 more deadly. This does not even take into account the increased risk associated with trauma related deaths.

The potential of submitted information being inaccurate is a major factor as to why these plans are reviewed not only by technical experts within the County, but also shared with members of the public, such as yourself. Through this process, any incomplete, incorrect or inaccurate statements can be identified, reviewed, and potentially challenged if required. Despite how frustrating it may feel sometimes, the County will review applications for truth, completeness and accuracy once they have been submitted for a formal review, however the nature of a free society compels our municipality to allow individuals and organizations the right to be 'wrong' – however it may be defined – for those claims or statements made outside of a formal review process. As our thirteenth Prime Minister John Diefenbaker once said: "Freedom is the right to be wrong, not the right to do wrong" and so with that in mind, the right to freedom of speech (within constitutionally-protected limits) is guaranteed at the Federal level by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms Part 1, Section 2 (b). Excellent quote, most relevant the part 'not to do wrong.' To knowingly allow gravel to be placed within our residential community knowing the documented health risks that it places upon it's residents, most importantly our children, would be the council and the administration supporting the right to do wrong. This, in addition, would be a direct violation of the Municipal Government Act as it currently stands.

My apologies for entering a bit of a philosophical tangent, but I hope this helps to identify what would, and would not fall within our regulatory purview.

As always, further thoughts and feedback are always welcome, and please feel free to reach out if we can assist further.

Yes, further assistance would be appreciated. Please send current cumulative impact studies performed by the county, not the applying gravel companies. In addition, projected cumulative impact data is appreciated.

I do have two last questions that I would like answered.

- 1. Council and Administration has been well informed of all the risks that industrial gravel brings to our residential community. It has been presented to all on multiple occasions, in many forms, now for the third time. Does our Council and Administration have full understanding of these risks and the consequences to those directly affected (including our children) that call Bearspaw home?
- 2. Lastly, how during our current pandemic, is the County proposing to hold a fair, transparent, SAFE, PUBLIC hearing that allows those directly affected by their decisions to have their voices heard?

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Respectfully,

Mardelle and Fraser Gamble

Best regards,

Evan Neilsen

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