

SYAR QUARRY CORRESPONDENCE

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Napa County Planning, Building
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December 30, 2014

Napa County Planning, Building, and Environmental Services Department
Attention: Donald Barrella, Planner III
By Email: donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org

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Response to Comments ("L") on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Syar Napa Quarry Expansion and Surface Mining project #P08-00337-SMP

Dear Donald:

Friends of the Napa River (FONR) provides these further comments in reaction to your responses to our December 4, 2013 Letter (referenced "L"). In the sincere interest of aiding a truly transparent public review process as expected under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and to help ensure environmental integrity of a viable watershed amongst valuable existing oak woodlands adjacent to parklands in public usage, we submit these additional observations and comments:

- The Reduced Footprint/Conservation Alternative is incomplete and inconsistent with CEQA requirements.
- The buffer areas along publicly used lands need better definition and institutional protection.
- The use of the Pasini property remains questionable; it should be left alone.
- The seasonal Pasini pond feature and its associated Arroyo Creek sub-watershed deserve further intensive review.

Please find our detailed comments on the following pages.

Sincerely,



Bernhard Krevet
President, Friends of the Napa River
CC: Review Team (Barry Christian, Tony Norris, Phill Blake)

Responses to Comments (“L”) on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Syar Napa Quarry Expansion and Surface Mining project #P08-00337-SMP

1. The Reduced Footprint/Conservation Alternative mentioned in the DEIR must be presented as wholly as any other alternative for the public and their elected and appointed decision-makers to have comparable selection of alternatives clearly understood. This selection process remains a central tenet of CEQA to enable identification of the environmentally superior alternative. Though it sounds nice, the Reduced Footprint/Conservation Alternative lacks mapped and measurably sufficient details thereby failing to provide comparable and comprehensible information to remain consistent with CEQA expectations for the public and their agents to understand what constitutes the environmentally superior alternative. The DEIR as presented (which remains essentially unchanged at this time) now risks being regarded as incomplete. The opinion of one consultant as to applicability cannot countermand the clear intent of CEQA to enable a publicly vested review of alternatives *in toto*. Perhaps, what will possibly continue the DEIR process to conclusion now is to only make the traditional CEQA fallback alternative selection of no project (no expansion, in this case) as the clear environmentally superior alternative.
2. The buffer areas along publicly used lands could and ought to be protected via conservation and public access easements by conveyance acceptable to the County of Napa with associated conditions which anticipate reductions of environmental and cultural impacts. This is a FONR recommendation. It will be instructive to also know in detail that, for those quarry properties acquired by Syar from the State of California if there may be existing deeded restrictions which spell out the nature and intended use of buffer areas. Further, it will be instructive to know what the rationale is for the ‘one-size-fits-all’ fifty foot wide buffer areas in most instances as proposed. Surely the underlying mineral strata do not just stop abruptly on straight lines as drawn on paper. Where might there be delineation of those buffer areas which more realistically indicate site fitted needs and correspond to on the ground features of topography, native plant community groupings, patterns of positive drainage (into quarry edge or public lands), width anticipated for wildlife corridors as well as set-backs for various safety concerns? Would it not be possible, due to conditions on the ground, which could give further definition for mitigation of impacts that a buffer area width can range widely on a specific site fit basis, and in so doing give further refinement to areas for mitigation of impacts?
3. The Pasini property in its current use and in its prior agricultural uses functions and has functioned (for the most part) as an important component of the local watershed excluded from quarry operations. Its oak woodland and meadow cover is a valuable depository to understand where broader mitigation measures contiguous with adjacent public oak woodlands and meadows may be counted against quarry impacts elsewhere. The County General Plan so far is not indicating the property for mineral resources. If a State agency has adjusted maps to include such mineral resources within that property there is still no automatic trigger to include quarry expansion to within that property. The County of Napa General Plan will have to be adjusted first through a publicly vested process by this local Napa County community. Otherwise the highest and best use of the Pasini property remains as left alone.

4. A fifty foot buffer setback on the northeast Pasini property may be insufficient in consideration of the above and moot as that property stays in its highest and best use now.
5. FONR still contends, as per our previous letter (referenced herein) that the knoll and ridge along the north portion of the Pasini property has valuable elevation, vegetative cover and situated to protect water percolation in itself. It stands as a significant buffer now for public lands beyond and cannot be sliced off of the surface of the earth easily without significant impacts. What is more, it continues to block industrialized noise, dust, scents and possible associated toxicants which will certainly blow through to public parklands from the gap created if removed. This knoll and ridge is a leading 'linchpin' component in the highest and best use of the land as it currently stands, which is not easily dismissed.
6. The seasonal Pasini pond feature and its associated Arroyo Creek sub-watershed certainly deserve further intensive review. Seventy percent removal and reorientation of that sub-watershed to the pond may for a greater part be moot as the Pasini property stays in its highest and best use now. It is disquieting for FONR to learn that Syar now has legally directed obligations to clean up, install check filtration and monitor runoff flows from current quarry operations into the Arroyo Creek and on into the Napa River and San Pablo Bay. Agreement by Syar to do so and also conduct educational outreach may say a lot in time for their stewardship responsibility on the land and for the Napa community and regional public interests downstream. Syar may not easily obtain permits to place necessary check dams proposed on the creek in the meantime. Prudence would indicate suspending further quarry expansion into the Arroyo Creek until Syar has shown their due diligence to the satisfaction of the regulatory agencies. The DEIR certainly will want to now address and embrace these directed actions as indicator mitigations needed to further reduce impacts at an elevated scale should there be further quarry expansion.

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:45 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Stop Syar!

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From: Arwen Gallenkamp <gallenkamp@me.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:58 PM
Subject: Stop Syar!
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This email is to inform you of my opposition to the Syar expansion plan. Their proposal is too big and does not fit in with the local park and community college. Skyline Park is such a nice place to hike and it would be a shame to lose the southern hillside forever. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. Please present my opposition to their plan at the hearing this Wednesday and my approval of more modest plan that has a smaller foot print and will leave the hills of Skyline Park intact.

Thank you,
Gwendolyn Gallenkamp

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:44 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Stop Syar Expansion

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From: Arwen Gallenkamp <gallenkamp@icloud.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 8:17 PM
Subject: Stop Syar Expansion
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This email is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the Syar expansion plan. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

*Thank you,
Arwen*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:43 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: **Jen Herbert** <jenherbert@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 8:33 PM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: napacommissioner@yahoo.com, tkscottco@aol.com, matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

*Thank you,
Jennifer Herbert
170 South Hartson St
Napa*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:42 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd:

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From: **Mary Keetch** <keetch_arch@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 8:40 PM

Subject:

To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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*Thank you,
Mary Richards*

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:41 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park vote

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From: **Laurel@CarryMeAway** <laurel@carrymeaway.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 8:56 PM
Subject: Skyline Park vote
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

I want you to know that I am very much opposed to any increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. My family uses Skyline Park on a regular basis for hiking, and other recreation, and we value it the way it is.

Moreover, the list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,

Laurel McCarthy

Napa Resident and Voter

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From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:41 PM
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From: <hawkx2@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 8:58 PM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,

Patti & Doug Hawker
304 E Berna Ave
Napa, CA

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:40 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline

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From: Molly Cox <mollycox@hotmail.com>

Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:00 PM

Subject: Skyline

To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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· Thank you,

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> Molly Roberts

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:40 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Increase in Skyline Park Quarrying

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From: Matt Lenzi <mattlenzi@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:07 PM
Subject: Opposition to Increase in Skyline Park Quarrying
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Matt Lenzi

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpop384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:39 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Please Save Skyline Park

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From: Emily Barouch <ebarouch@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:12 PM

Subject: Please Save Skyline Park

To: "mattpop384@gmail.com" <mattpop384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This email is to inform you of my strong opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday, January 7th.

Thank you,

Emily Barouch
10 Oak Grove Way, Napa

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:38 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Mining.

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From: Daniel Zepponi <dzepponi@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:39 PM
Subject: Skyline Mining.
To: napacommissioner@yahoo.com, matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

Below is a standard note that many have probably sent. I rarely write these and am mostly in favor of growth, business and freedoms of property ownership. But this is one of the worse ideas of the century. Very close into town and one of the most coveted residential and pristine natural areas not only in California, the US, but in the world. I certainly wouldn't want to go down in history as the group that allowed this one. It will never show well.

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Thank you,
Dan Zepponi - Napa Resident

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:38 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar's Desire to Quarry

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From: Marilyn Shaul <marilynshaul@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:33 PM
Subject: Syar's Desire to Quarry
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa, I'm writing to voice my strong opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The potentially significant impacts to the environment outweigh any benefit that the employment of a few people would reap. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday on not only my behalf, but that of my daughter and granddaughter. Thank you, Marilyn Shaul, Tracy Shaul and Emerson Shaul

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:37 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar hearing

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From: Michael Waldeck <soilnsun@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:57 PM
Subject: Syar hearing
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

As a longtime fan of Skyline Park I am strongly opposed to Syar Industries plans to quarry around this area. I am a registered voter who lives in Alta Hts. and a user of Skyline park. Thank You Michael Waldeck



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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:37 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline park

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From: c werris <cwerris@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 9:59 PM
Subject: Skyline park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Commissioner,

I'm writing this in support of keeping Syar out of Skyline Park. We've lost enough wildlife already. Please help keep our hiking and wildlife parks in tact for future generations to enjoy. Once it's destroyed, we can never get it back. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Christine Werris

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:36 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park Quarrying

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From: **Brandon C** <thesouperhero@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 10:04 PM
Subject: Skyline Park Quarrying
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Brandon Colett

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:35 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar expansion

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From: Liz <lzwms@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 10:13 PM
Subject: Syar expansion
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>

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Thank you,
Liz Williams

Sent from my iPad

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 10:35 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald; McDowell, John
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park area

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From: Sara Johnson <saranapa@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 10:28 PM
Subject: Skyline Park area
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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In addition to my personal opposition to Syar quarrying, I also speak for many Vichy Elementary public school students and families, who enjoy this area for many activities. Skyline Park is used year long for recreational hiking, nature studies, camps and so much more.

Please do not interfere with the community enjoyment of this unique space. Doing so will take away from the quality of life we enjoy here in Napa.

*Respectfully,
Sara Johnson*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:46 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park quarrying: Please oppose this plan

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From: **stealth mon** <stealthmon@hotmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:45 PM
Subject: Skyline Park quarrying: Please oppose this plan
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,

Ryan Berg

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:45 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Stop the Syar Expansion

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From: Eric Gallenkamp <egallenkamp@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:32 PM
Subject: Stop the Syar Expansion
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,
Eric

Eric Gallenkamp
Licensed Educational Psychologist
[707.337.7670](tel:707.337.7670)

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:44 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Please Save Skyline Park

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From: Aeon Turner <aeonturner@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:35 PM
Subject: Please Save Skyline Park
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,

- Aeon Turner
204 First Street

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:28 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park

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From: **Rusty Cohn** <rusty@rprusa.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:24 PM
Subject: quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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Thanks you,
Rusty Cohn

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.Rusty
rusty@rprusa.com



This email has been checked for viruses by Avast antivirus software.
www.avast.com

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:28 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: No WAY to Syar !!

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From: Dana Brown <livegood3@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:37 PM

Subject: No WAY to Syar !!

To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

Napa is not a place to be blown up, bull dozed away (EVEN MORE than it already has) and removed from existence so some company can make a few dollars! COME ON! They need to stop removing our mountains!

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Thank you,

Dana Brown, born n raised in Napa for over 40yrs!

(707) 812 3771

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:27 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Quarry Expansion

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From: Napabrown IMAP <david@napabrown.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:48 PM
Subject: Quarry Expansion
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>

I certainly oppose any expansion of that quarry. It's bad enough having to see it during much of the initial ascent of the Skyline Trail. I can't imagine it being any closer to the park. Please, just say no to this expansion.

- David Brown, Napa Resident and Skyline Park user

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:27 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar/Skyline Park Vote

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From: Lisa Doxsee <lisadoxsee@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:48 PM
Subject: Syar/Skyline Park Vote
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>
Cc: "McDonald Chris (NBCUniversal)" <cmcdonald@comcastsportsnet.com>

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*Thank you,
Lisa Doxsee*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:27 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to syar quarrying

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From: Adam Green <ajamazin@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:51 PM
Subject: Opposition to syar quarrying
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>

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*Thank you,
Adam Green*

Regards,

*Adam Green, Broker CalBRE # 01713610
Coldwell Banker Commercial
1775 Lincoln Ave
Napa, CA 94558
(707) 257-5681 Office
(707) 321-1778 Cell*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpop384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:26 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Industries and Skyline Park

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From: Janet Sheehan <janetwsheehan@comcast.net>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:05 PM
Subject: Syar Industries and Skyline Park
To: "mattpop384@gmail.com" <mattpop384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>
Cc: jwsheehan24@yahoo.com

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*Thank you,
Janet Sheehan*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:25 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Opposition of quarrying at Skyline Park

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From: Julie <julie.paine@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:17 PM
Subject: Opposition of quarrying at Skyline Park
To: "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>

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Sent from Julie at Hidden Napa Jeep Tours

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 6:21 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Vote

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From: **David Allred** <david_allred@nvusd.org>

Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 5:21 PM

Subject: Syar Vote

To: John.McDowell@countyofnapa.org, heather@vinehillranch.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com, tkscottco@aol.com, matt pope384@gmail.com

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Thank you,

David Allred,

Teacher, Napa Valley Language Academy

707-363-5011

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 6:22 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Please do NOT quarry Skyline Park!!!

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From: Lynn Abate-Johnson <peoplefw@icloud.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:19 PM
Subject: Please do NOT quarry Skyline Park!!!
To: mattpope384@gmail.com

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Due to work commitments out of town, we are unable to attend in person, much to our regret.

Thank you,

Lynn and Corey Johnson (born and raised in Napa)

Lynn Abate-Johnson

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 6:21 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Opposed to quarrying in/near Skyline Park

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From: **Monica Boyles** <monicanaman@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 5:47 PM
Subject: Opposed to quarrying in/near Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Regards,

Monica Boyles
Laurel Street, Napa, CA

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 6:20 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar expansion

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From: **Josh Heide** <72polara@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 5:47 PM
Subject: Syar expansion
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com, tkscotto@yahoo.com

Commissioners,

As a taxpayer in Napa County, I wish to voice my support of the proposed expansion of the Syar quarry operations. Our county needs to make decisions that bring real economic stability and benefit. Allowing the Syar operation to expand will ensure its presence in our community as a source of jobs and tax revenue.

Josh Heide
Life long citizen of Napa

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpop384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 6:20 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: No quarrying at Skyline!!

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From: Amy Zurowski <amyzcalifornia@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 5:49 PM
Subject: No quarrying at Skyline!!
To: "mattpop384@gmail.com" <mattpop384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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*Thank you,
Amy Zurowski*

Sent from my iPhone

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 6:19 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Preserve Skyline Park

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From: JULIE TINGLE <julietingle@mac.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 6:15 PM
Subject: Preserve Skyline Park
To: "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>

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Thank you,
Julie Tingle
Tony Drady
1133 Alta Ave
Napa, Ca 94559
707.287.4961

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2015 7:25 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Please no mining in Skyline!

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From: Kelly Decker <kd.valleyhiker@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 5, 2015 at 7:23 PM
Subject: Please no mining in Skyline!
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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*Thank you,
Kelly Decker
1029 Summit Ave.
Napa CA 94559*

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Save a Life: Spay/Neuter and Adopt!

Steven Booth
 P. O. Box 6063
 Napa, CA 94581
 T. 707.257.6958

E-mail: juniperbooth@hotmail.com

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Napa County Planning, Building
 & Environmental Services

January 6, 2015

Attn: Donald Barella

Napa County Conservation, Planning & Development

1195 Third Street, Suite 210

Napa, CA 94559

T. 707.299.1338

E-mail: donald.barrella@countyofnapa.org

Re: The proposed extension of the current Syar Napa quarrying and processing use permits (UP-128182 and UP-27374) and the proposed permit to allow the Syar Napa Quarry Expansion - #P08-00337-SMP.

Dear Mr. Barella,

Thank you for sending an invitation to attend the Planning Commission hearing for the Syar Napa Quarry Expansion Project, Wed., January 7, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Unfortunately, I will be at work at that time and will not be able to attend. By scheduling a hearing during work hours public participation and comment are suppressed. In the public interest, please schedule another public hearing of an evening, so all interested persons are able to attend to hear and to be heard.

The following are some thoughts to consider before certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report and/or adopting its findings:

1. For over 70 years, Syar Napa Quarry, unchecked, has produced and released into the air fugitive dust containing respirable, crystalline, silica dust – a Class I carcinogen – along with other toxic, fugitive emissions from the operation of equipment and asphalt plants. The crystalline, silica dust is not visible, is the most damaging to health, can remain suspended in the air for weeks and can travel 5-20 miles depending on the prevailing winds. Knowing of his daily dose of dust causes daily stress.
2. The prevailing winds in south Napa carry and distribute this toxic dust over businesses, schools and large residential areas to be inhaled by unsuspecting adults and children in the City of Napa and beyond, including visiting tourists. Being subjected to toxic dust and other toxic emissions is unjust. When the Napa Pipe Development is completed, more and more people will be exposed to this toxic silica dust.
3. Now, Syar Napa Quarry is proposing to double its production and extend its daily hours of operation, 24/7. So, in the next 35 years, Syar Napa Quarry will release as much

or more fugitive, silica dust as it has released in the past 70 years. In the Final Draft of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), the ways proposed to prevent the release of fugitive silica dust and emissions are insufficient. At best, the proposed dust controls will allow Syar Napa Quarry to continue releasing fugitive silica dust at its current level. The technology and procedures exist to greatly reduce the release of this toxic silica dust, but the Final Draft of the EIR does not reflect these available methods and controls. This dust and other toxic emissions must not be allowed to escape into the air. Do not permit it.

4. A permit to operate a mine is not a permit to pollute. If a permit is granted it must be contingent on compliance with and enforcement of strict regulations to prevent the release of pollutants. Fugitive releases of toxic dust and emissions must not be allowed. County officials occupy a position of special trust. The people of Napa Valley have given County Planners jurisdiction and authority to oversee the land use permit process and to act on behalf of the public to insure that an applicant's current or planned land use activity will not compromise public health, safety and/or welfare.

5. The topography of the area north of Syar Napa Quarry creates a natural basin, from Imola to Silverado Country Club, trapping and concentrating the toxic, fugitive dust and emissions created by Syar's mining operation. Neither the First Draft nor the Final Draft of the EIR present any studies to quantify or qualify the effect of the fugitive dust and emissions on the human population in the City of Napa. It would seem the County Planners would be irresponsible and negligent to extend the Syar Napa Quarry permit before a thorough, independent study is conducted to quantify and qualify the content and distribution of the daily dose of fugitive dust, over the residents of the City of Napa, carried by the prevailing wind. Also, it would seem incumbent on the City of Napa to protect the residents of Napa from decisions made by the County that compromise the residents' health, safety and/or welfare. At the very least, any permit issued to Syar Napa Quarry should be provisional and contingent upon the results of a study to determine the environmental impact on the human population exposed to the fugitive emissions from Syar's mining operation. Seventy years and counting – a study is long overdue.

6. The residents immediately north of Syar Napa Quarry are being unjustly, and for the most part unknowingly, exposed on a daily basis to fugitive, respirable, silicon dioxide dust and emissions. Every day, when the mine is operating and the prevailing wind is blowing north, which is most of the time, a visible layer of dust settles over the entire area, onto plants, cars, window sills, over everything. Clean the windows of the car, that same day a layer of dust forms on the window again. And, the dust reflects light like millions of small shards of glass. The dust is not normal, it is from freshly fractured, silicon based rock. A captive population in homes, schools and businesses in the City of Napa should not be subjected to the pollution generated by a business operating in the County. It is negligent for both the County and the City to allow Syar Napa Quarry's unstudied experiment to continue, knowingly subjecting a human population to toxic air pollution.

7. The tires of all trucks leaving the Syar Napa Quarry should be cleaned with water before the trucks enter the public roadway. How? The truck drives over a grate the length

of the truck, the tires are sprayed with water, the mud and water fall through the grate into a pit beneath the grate, the water is strained and recycled, periodically the mud is hauled to a landfill area. Dust from the mine property should not be allowed on the public highway or the same problem of toxic, fugitive silica dust will line the entire roadway getting into peoples cars and into their lungs and blowing into the schools, businesses and residences. What sort of road improvement cost assessment is being made for Syar's increased truck traffic, the wear and tear on the roads and traffic congestion?

8. There is no reason to have the mine operate before 6 A.M. or after 6 P.M. Aggregate can be stockpiled during low demand times to be shipped during high demand times. Syar's own charts predict the progression for demand in the future and they can plan around that. The residents north of Imola will not tolerate being subjected to noise and dust in the evening and night. Most of the homes in the area do not have air conditioning and depend on opening windows to cool the house down in the evening and night. No one needs to breath toxic dust when they are home from work or sleeping.

9. The only real way Syar Napa Quarry can continue operating in such close proximity to residential areas, schools and businesses is to prevent the release of fugitive dust and toxic emissions. They must stop them at the source, on their own property, and by doing so prevent the dust and emissions from leaving their property. Syar has a right to mine its land but only if it contains its pollution. As County Planners, you must exercise your jurisdiction and authority and make sure Syar Napa Quarry agrees to install all the control measures necessary to eliminate fugitive dust and emissions. You must enforce this agreement and make any permit contingent on compliance with hefty fines for violations.

10. The Final Draft of the EIR does not have any compliance teeth. A real-time video monitoring system must be set up to verify Syar Napa Quarry's compliance. If dust is visible in the air, a violation is taking place and enforcement with fines should ensue. The video feed should be available to the public to monitor as well. Once control measures and video monitoring are in place, Syar Napa Quarry will become a good environmentally conscious, corporate neighbor. Syar Industries, Inc.'s Mission Statement concludes, *We actively pursue these good neighbor relationships while maintaining a safe and environmentally conscious environment for our employees, our customers and our local communities.* I'm pro business, responsible business, that is. So, let us build on this stated goal and help Syar Napa Quarry become a model of environmental and social responsibility. Let us, all together, help them make their words become a reality. They're not there yet.

Sincerely,

Steven Booth
Napa City Resident

California Native Plant Society

January 5, 2015

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To: Donald Barella

Napa County Department of Planning, Building and Environmental Services
1195 Third St., Suite 210
Napa, CA 94559

Napa County Planning, Building
& Environmental Services

Re: Responses to Comments, Final EIR, Syar Quarry Expansion (SCH # 2009062054)

The following comments address the responses to comments submitted by the Napa Valley Chapter of CNPS on November 21, 2013.

Response J-2 and J-4 - It is incumbent on CNPS to insure that proper field analysis of the site has occurred and this is not indicated in the Draft Environmental Impact Report. Our comment letter pointed out that field botanists did not adequately survey the site according to Department of Fish and Wildlife and Napa County Guidelines to determine presence or absence of special status species. The responses to the comments suggest that two survey periods about 1 month apart adequately covers the potential of the site. We would like to reiterate that this is not the case. Survey guidelines state that "a sufficient number of visits spaced throughout the growing season are necessary to prepare an accurate inventory of the plants that exist on the site". Voucher collections of special status species should be collected and deposited and field survey forms must be submitted to CNDDDB. A recent search of the DFW RareFind Database shows no record of the Syar population of *Ceanothus purpureus* despite work having been done 6 years ago. Local records of 9 occurrences of *Brodiaea leptandra* show flowering times from May 25 to July 18. A search conducted on May 4 must include a preliminary confirmation of flowering at a reference site to validate the negative finding. Additionally, the earliest of 6 local records of *Erigeron greenii* in flower is June 23. There is no indication in the report that a reference site was visited in May to confirm that this species is identifiable at that time. *Sidalcea hickmanii* ssp. *napensis* has been found only on volcanic substrate to date and *Hesperollon bicarpellatum* occurs on volcanics in Skyline Park. These species were not on the botanists radar and can not be ruled out.

Response J-3 - California Sagebrush Series is not designated as rare but impact to this community is locally significant and should be addressed. The proof is in the numbers. The Information Center for the Environment determined that less than 35 acres of this habitat type occur in the county. This is < 0.01% of the county. Whether or not the county has seen fit to recognize this, it is inappropriate to ignore the fact. Too many habitats have already been extirpated due to such oversight.

Response J-8 - This response does not address suggested monitoring of creeks that may receive sediment from the quarry expansion.

Sincerely,
Jake Ruygt



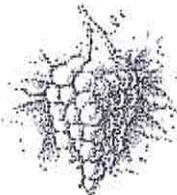
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Cakebread Cellars



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January 5th, 2015

Mr. Barrella,

With regards to the Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Syar Napa Quarry Expansion (State Clearing House #22009062054), Cakebread Cellars would like to readdress the issues raised in our letter of November 30th, 2013 (Letter F) and the response to our letter. As previously stated, Cakebread Cellars farms a vineyard that spans two parcels (APN#: 046-370-031 and 046-400-034) to the south of the proposed site and have concerns regarding the proposed mitigation measures. Our operations and vineyard productivity have the potential to be directly impacted by the proposed expansion.

An area of concern for Cakebread Cellars is the issue of air quality and dust control. Drifting dust can have potentially negative impacts on the health of our employees and our viticulture operations. Dust accumulation on the leaves of grape vines often times leads to outbreaks of spider mites, which would compromise our integrated pest management and sustainable pest control programs. Additionally, dust residue on the harvested fruit can have a significantly negative impact on wine quality. Mitigation Measure 4.3-2B states that blasting will be prohibited within 1000 feet of the vineyards if instantaneous wind speed exceeds 25 miles per hour. In the opinion of Cakebread Cellars, the benchmark of 25 miles per hours is exceedingly high. Best management practices for agricultural operations restrict spraying operations to wind speeds below 10 mile per hour. Additionally, in reviewing the data from the weather station on the Cakebread Cellars-Suscol Springs Vineyard, it demonstrates that since January of 2011 just five days would have had restrictions on blasting. Even during substantial wind events the instantaneous speed rarely exceeds 25 miles per hour. In the interest of protecting our employees and our farming operations, Cakebread Cellars requests that restrictions be placed on blasting at instantaneous wind speeds above 20 miles per hour. Additionally, we are concerned about the amount of dust generated during non-blasting activities, such as vehicle traffic on dirt roads and heavy equipment operations and request that measure be put into place to reduce dust drift for these operations as well.

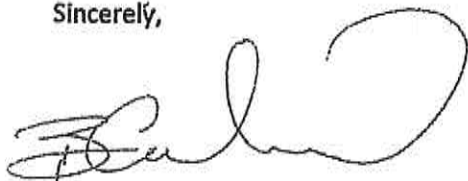
Given the vital importance of irrigation water on the productivity of our vineyard, Cakebread Cellars is very concerned with the potential impacts the Syar expansion may have on ground water distribution. In the Final Environmental Impact Report (Response to Comment F-2) it is stated that surface water detention ponds will "impound surface water runoff so that the runoff of the proposed project will mimic pre-project conditions. The impounded water will infiltrate into the regional ground water system." While this statement attempts to address the issue ground water volume, it does not acknowledge our concern that even if ground water volume is constant, changes in topography may impact the distribution of ground water by altering the subterranean flow. To address the concerns of Cakebread Cellars we request that:

- Syar Napa Quarry installs a monitoring well between the proposed project site and Cakebread Cellars wells.
- A mutually agreeable protocol is established for tracking the water level of the monitoring well.
- A mutually agreed upon "trigger point" is established, by which it will be determined that Cakebread Cellars ground water levels have, or have not been impacted.
- If it is determined by a hydrologist that water levels have been impacted, Syar will provide additional water to Cakebread Cellars at required times and in an amount sufficient to conduct our viticulture operations.

Currently, Cakebread Cellars will absorb the burden should the quarry expansion impact ground water distribution. It is our belief that a process be established to confirm that this distribution is not impacted, how the impact will be monitored, and what action will be taken should ground water distribution be impacted.

The extent of our concern, is to make sure that Syar's neighbors have adequate protections in place should the currently mitigation measures not be sufficient. If their analysis is correct and ground water levels are not impacted, then our requests will have little to no bearing on Syar's operations. However, if they are wrong, then the burden of reduced ground water and associated consequences will fall upon their neighbors. As the mitigation measures are currently proposed, Cakebread Cellars must absorb a great deal of risk and additional protections need to be put in place.

Sincerely,



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President/COO
Cakebread Cellars

Sincerely,



Toby Halkovich
Director of Vineyard Operations
Cakebread Cellars

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Dear Don – This email addresses two items pertaining to the proposed Syar Napa Quarry Expansion:

- 1) The Final EIR and MMRP
- 2) The proposed conditions of approval for the proposed permit

I will provide more detailed comments on the individual responses to my comments under separate cover.

FINAL EIR

I have reviewed the responses to the responses to my comments on the Draft EIR for the Syar Quarry Expansion provided in the Final EIR. In general, I am disappointed with the limited effort made to address my comments. My more cursory review of the responses to comments provided by others suggests that the overall approach to comment responses was consistently to attempt to simply “dismiss” as many comments as possible. Given the potential severity of the issues raised, a more comprehensive response to the major concerns (aesthetics, air quality, groundwater depletion, noise, recreation, and traffic) is appropriate and expected. I was surprised that the consultant/County did not choose to do master comment responses for these primary concerns. Doing so would have allowed the document to provide a much more meaningful response to the issues raised. It took a year to produce the Final EIR; more thorough and meaningful responses would clearly have been possible. A better comment response document (revised Final EIR) should be created and circulated.

No improvements have been made to the figures, so it remains difficult to discern actual impacts, because so much of the review requires mentally overlaying two or more graphics (e.g., expansion areas and future topographic contours; future topographic contours and topography to the north of the site). The recommendation (in response to my comment on the extremely small size of certain key figures) to review small figures electronically to be able to better understand them is also not helpful in many cases (especially for the extremely important Images 11 and 12), because increasing the size of the figure on screens simply leads to a blurry view of the same information.

The comment responses repeatedly make the overall argument that the quarry has been present in its current location for many decades, and long before the area surrounding it was developed. The responses go on to state that therefore there is no change to the use of the area (i.e., the land use is not changing). That is simply incorrect. While the quarry has existed for many years in its current configuration, the proposed permit would change the operations in four important ways:

- 1) expanding the footprint and bringing quarry activities closer to existing residents and other sensitive uses
- 2) deepening the depth to which mining is allowed,
- 3) greatly increasing the height to which mining is allowed, and
- 4) significantly extending the number of hours per day that the quarry operations are occurring (i.e., the document proposes to increase production substantially without increasing the amount of equipment in use, which means that longer hours of operations are required).

The result is in fact a considerable change from current conditions. Nonetheless, this type of dismissive approach is present throughout the comment responses.

It is also disappointing that there is so little effort made to further evaluate the viability of the reduced footprint alternative. The reduced footprint alternative could have been combined with the reduced production alternative to obtain the benefits of both. The benefit of the reduced production alternative is simply to avoid certain air quality and GHG impacts by staying below applicable thresholds. There is nothing that would prevent combining limits on production with a reduced project footprint. More careful consideration would lead to an economically viable and

environmentally protective alternative that results in fewer actual impacts (vs. the incomplete set of impacts that is actually disclosed).

particular deficiencies with the responses to my comments include the following:

- 1) Hours of Operation/Project Description. There has been no attempt to further clarify the likely duration of operations. While "typical" hours and days of operation are described, no commitment is made to ensure that actual operations will be consistent with these hours and days. There need to be clear and explicit limits on weekend operations and emergency extended hours operations. Who defines what constitutes an emergency? Examples are given, but no explicit commitments are made. A lack of clarity results in a de facto unrestricted license to operate. The FEIR and the County in its conditions of approval must clearly define when and under what conditions extended operations are acceptable.

There is also no attempt to quantify the projected increase in actual operating hours (versus allowable operating hours) with expanded production. The true baseline is what is actually occurring, not what may be permissible but has not occurred recently. How many hours/year did operations occur during the baseline period, during what hours did the operations occur, and how would that change? How many more hours/week would Syar be operating? What percentage of those hours would be outside of the normal definition of a workweek (8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday)? Only by breaking down the actual likely operating hours compared to the current operating hours can a fair assessment of potential impacts be made.

Finally, the hours of operation exempt certain activities (e.g., stripping of overburden) from the typical operating hours window, but there is no discussion of 1) when those activities might occur, and 2) how much time those activities might require. Therefore no way to judge how disruptive they might be to nearby sensitive uses.

Overall, then, the Project Description remains inadequate, and therefore an adequate impact analysis has not been and cannot be performed.

- 2) Aesthetics Analysis for Northern Neighborhood Area Foreground Views. No changes were made to the visual impact (aesthetics) analysis to evaluate foreground views. Currently (as the baseline), there are beautiful views of the undisturbed portions of the hills from northern foreground (Imola Ave and the adjacent neighborhood). I specifically requested a foreground view analysis from this area because it is virtually impossible to figure out what these currently undisturbed beautiful areas would look like when mined out. The response to comments indicates that the foreground view was not analyzed because only 15% of the project area is visible from the foreground. However, currently 0% of the quarry is visible from the northern foreground; therefore ANY view of mined-out hills is a substantial change from current conditions. By refusing to analyze this change, the project proponent is avoiding analyzing a potentially significant impact, and therefore there is no ability to adequately mitigate for the impact.

Lacking an adequate impact assessment, the County cannot accurately judge the severity of the impact, establish commensurate mitigation, or accurately weigh the policy implications of allowing the project to proceed as proposed (i.e., the projected long-term loss of revenue from declining property values from the degraded views relative to the increased income to the County from mining operations and the very slight projected increases in employment).

- 3) Noise Analysis. The comments regarding noise from mining operations were not adequately addressed. To quote from the DEIR:

"Unshielded mining would reach 52 dBA L₅₀ at the nearest residential receptors along Imola Avenue, exceeding the daytime Napa County Noise Ordinance limit of 50 dBA L₅₀ by 2 dBA, and the nighttime limit of 45 dBA L₅₀ by 7 dBA. This is a potentially significant impact."

As will be further described in my detailed comments, the basis for the conclusions regarding project noise is very unclear. Therefore, the potential unmitigated impact is likely understated and both the impact analysis and the proposed mitigation measures require further work.

Per mitigation measure 4.11-1 night-time work in the northern and eastern expansion areas is prohibited when there is no intervening terrain between the residences and the mining activities. However, this mitigation measure does not address noise generation in areas that are to be mined but are not identified as expansion areas. Much of the northern perimeter of the State Blue Pit is in this category. It should be noted that the designated expansion areas are never overlaid on the topographic contours. Thus, the document does not accurately depict "expansion areas within the site" where deepening of the existing quarry and additional quarrying of partially excavated hillsides would occur. Based on a review of the topographic contours, mining is expected to occur up to the top of the hill on the north side of the State Blue Pit, eliminating any protection of intervening terrain.

The mitigation measure also prohibits unshielded daytime work within 2,500 feet of sensitive receptors, and requires Syar to contain noise below the 50 dBA/ 45dBA daytime and night time thresholds. Furthermore, it is not clear whether removal of overburden or blasting are included in this restriction/requirement. At minimum, overburden removal (including grubbing or mowing of vegetation), which also involves use of large, loud heavy equipment should be covered by this mitigation measure. There is no way to shield any work above the elevation of the intervening terrain, as equipment will be mobile. Noise monitoring is one of the options allowed to achieve compliance with the mitigation. Noise monitoring should not occur at the discretion of Syar, but should be required any time activities occur in the northern and eastern expansion area and along the northern perimeter until and unless it has been established that noise levels are consistently below the proposed threshold or other applicable significance criterion.

Noise monitoring locations should be selected in conjunction with the County and the community to ensure that truly representative locations are chosen – i.e., monitoring along Imola, as was done for the baseline study is not appropriate, as traffic noise from Imola is moderately to largely shielded within the residential areas (by trees, buildings, etc.), but noise from the quarry will arise from a source that is located high above any such local shielding, and thus will travel farther and be more perceptible than street-level noise.

Noise monitoring data should be reported continually (at minimum daily), and be posted in such a way as to be accessible to the public. Please revise the mitigation measures and conditions of approval to make these changes.

- 4) Groundwater Use. There was no effort to more effectively address the seepage from rock faces that is highly likely to occur given the proposed mining depths. While the "no net increase in use" policy is applied to groundwater consumption from wells and deep pits, the way that "no net increase" is defined is inadequate. Seepage from cut rock faces is *assumed* to infiltrate locally or discharge to one of the deeper pits and from there infiltrate back to the groundwater table.

The evaluation of groundwater use as related to seepage from the cut faces relies on a series of unsubstantiated assumptions and the mitigation measures do not require any documentation to substantiate the assumptions. The only assurance provided by the mitigation measures is to ensure that drainage from "springs" (it is unclear how continual seepage is classified, or if there is a minimal flowrate that is required for a seep to be categorized as a "spring") is directed toward existing quarry pits *believed* to be (but not confirmed to be) intersecting the potentiometric groundwater surface. There is no documentation to substantiate the belief stated in the document that the water in the State Blue Pit and other deep pits is groundwater at the potentiometric surface (e.g., a monitoring well immediately adjacent to the pit), rather than water collecting from existing seepage. There is also no information to suggest that infiltration is in fact occurring— i.e., no effort has been made to ascertain that the State Blue Pit and other deep pits are actually capable of recharging groundwater. It likely that many, if not, all recharge pathways (fractures) have been sealed off by the fine fractions carried in run-off from

mining operations. In other words, the entire analysis evaluation of groundwater (and "water under the ground") loss through seepage is a house of cards built on a series of unsubstantiated assumptions.

The groundwater use calculations also exempt certain uses within the facility, because assumptions are made that water used for certain operations (e.g., washing of products), would infiltrate or run-off would be directed to one of the deep pits. These quantities of water are therefore allowed to be exempted from the total allowable groundwater use. There is no requirement to document that infiltration is in fact occurring, and no way to ascertain how much of this water would be lost to evaporation rather than infiltrating to groundwater.

The responses also fail to quantify the increased evaporative losses from the deep pits. It is highly likely that the deeper mining depths would result in the need for more water storage in pits, thus increasing the surface area. The August 13, 2014 Google Earth image of the quarry shows four pits totally slightly more than 150,000 square feet. This is certainly a minimal surface area for the pits, as it was the third year of a drought. How much will this acreage expand? Given total evaporation of around 42 inches/year in this area just an acre increase in the size of the pits would result in nearly 4 acre feet per year of increased evaporation from the ponds.

The mitigation measures pertaining to other elements of groundwater protection, while well-intentioned, are also inadequate. While work within 10 feet of the potentiometric surface is to be avoided, the document does not disclose how difficult it would be to establish on a local level where the potentiometric surface in a fractured rock substrate would be. Experience from the MST indicates that wells installed less than 50 feet apart can vary tremendously in the quality and production rate of the water. How will the County ascertain that the potentiometric surface has been accurately determined? Mitigation measure 4.8-2 merely calls for borings or monitoring wells if required. The County should define specific maximum distances (scaled to reflect the steepness of the proposed mining cut) between actual monitoring wells.

Finally, aside from prohibiting further work in an area where a new permanent spring develops, there is no proposed mitigation for any springs (and seeps?) that develop as a result of the project work. Some action should be taken to seal off the flow paths to these springs and seeps. At minimum, the water must be captured and moved to a location where it is certain it will infiltrate. The mitigation program should require documentation that infiltration is occurring out of the deep pits, measures for containing and ensuring reinfiltration of seepage and spring water, and the FEIR should analyze evaporative losses from "exempt" activities and the pits to determine whether and how these categories of evaporative losses should be addressed.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Certain elements of the proposed conditions of approval are encouraging (e.g., the proposed reduced maximum annual production rate, somewhat reduced operating hours, requirement to notify neighbors and other interested parties prior to blasting events), but the conditions of approval should require Syar to annually report on ALL mitigation efforts, not just the few compliance items specifically listed in the conditions of approval.

Item B.3 needs to be modified to clarify who will determine whether reclamation is "feasible" – the County should make the determination based on information provided by Syar; it should not be left to Syar's discretion.

There should be a much more defined schedule for accomplishing reclamation – there is no requirement to expeditiously commence and complete activities in a certain area; in fact, as written, the Mining and Reclamation Plan and proposed conditions of approval create an incentive to keep all parts of the quarry open and periodically working in order to defer active reclamation as long as possible.

Please include the additional items outlined above.

I've provided a few more specific comments in a mark-up of the proposed conditions of approval. I may have additional comments tomorrow if I have an opportunity to re-read that document.

Thanks -- Susanne

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Hello Fiona,

Thank you for taking the time to pass along your thoughts. I am cc'ing John McDowell, Deputy Director, on this email so it will become part of the official record.

Best,

Heather Phillips

On Jan 5, 2015, at 6:07 PM, Fiona <fiona-c@att.net> wrote:

Dear Commissioner of Napa County,
 I am writing to inform you of my vehement opposition to the Syar Napa Quarry Expansion Project. The list of potentially significant impacts on the environment vastly outweighs any benefit to our community. It is time for the County to put Syar on notice that an ever expanding quarry should not be part of the Napa County's future.
 We do not want our wilderness turned into gravel pits.
 Sincerely,
 Fiona Campbell
 Napa, CA

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Re: The proposed extension of the current Syar Napa Quarry and process usage permits (UP-128182 and UP-27374) and the proposed permit to allow the Syar Napa Quarry Expansion-#PO8-00337-SMP.

Dear Mr. Barrella,

I wrote a letter in August of 2009 regarding my concerns about the expansion of the Surface Mining Permit at the Syar Napa Quarry and its health affects on people. During the period of time between 2009 and now, the beginning of 2015, an environmental impact report has been compiled by the industry without any reporting from unbiased, non-industry studies or onsite investigations. No scientifically sound studies have been done to actually measure the pollution *created by the Syar operation* that falls over the City and County of Napa.

I am a person who is all for environmentally sound quarrying businesses and I am all for Syar mining operation succeeding as an environmentally sound operation that contains its carcinogenic dust. The sharp edged micro-dust produced at Syar is not the same as agricultural dust. Syar Corporation, aware for years about the concerns of the families living so close to the Syar operations both in the county and in the City of Napa, in good faith Syar Corporation would have started doing something substantial to mitigate the nuisance and health risks it creates for it's employees and the citizens of Napa County and the City of Napa. No steps have been taken to improve the pollution situation since we moved into the Napa Highlands subdivision in 1989. We are captives because our homes are right here, less than ½ mile from the edge of the mining operation. And so are the residents of Alta Heights affected and other neighborhoods close by. Hiking in Skyline Park is not always as healthy a thing to do as one would hope. From vantage points to the west, I have seen the clouds of dust rise up from Syar Quarry with my own eyes and being caught in the prevailing wind drift over the whole area extending over to and beyond Alta Heights as a shroud some days and thinner but still present on many other days. We are receiving constant doses of carcinogenic, crystalline glass dust.

Many things by the way of technologies have been created in the last 26 years and earlier that should have been implemented at Syar to measure and keep the carcinogenic dust

down. What happened to the good faith? Unfortunately, this is yet another example of the need for regulation and protection of the public with an enforcement arm that really works for the health of the community or else the offending corporation will brush it off and do nothing to correct the unhealthy situation. The Syar situation is just as bad as if the county allowed a pesticide company to locate next to Con Dam and allow contaminated waste water from this company to be released into a drinking water supply.

There really has to be substantially improved practices and compliance written into this expanded Syar mining permit. Syar really does need to make the investment to make the operation, at last, clean and to contain the carcinogenic, fugitive dust. It really is irresponsible to allow Syar, Inc. to define its own terms of compliance, especially with all the new growth planned to happen in the near future next to the mining operation, putting even more residents and business people at risk of shortened lives. The county should more fully research the issue of respirable, crystalline silicon dioxide dust from sources independent of the mining industry. There are many good sources available. Hazardous crystalline silicon dioxide *is* being released continuously from the Syar mining property into the air of our neighborhoods, and other hazardous products, which also have not been tracked, may very well be out of compliance with government code when on site and neighborhood empirical evidence is properly evaluated which has never been done. Thorough investigation needs to be done. There is a whole list that I have of state and national organizations and experts that were left out of this impact report that should have been drawn from to get a balanced picture of the risks and what corrections to the operations should be made.

Ideally, on behalf of the residents of the City and County of Napa I think our county DA's office or other appropriate city or county or private office should file an appeal to this permit. A last resort would be a class action lawsuit. This permit is just not good enough as it stands and does not describe substantial improvements and enforcement to be implemented in the practices at Syar mining. Nor are there any tracking technologies required to have in place to protect the public health in any concrete, measurable way. The County Planning, Building and Environmental Services cannot get this one wrong. The citizens of the City and County of Napa are depending on you to do the responsible thing and get this right. Then we will be most happy for the Syar Mining Operation.

Everyone who sees the dust raising from Syar Quarry over the neighborhoods and schools as is seen from the Napa River Trail, or other locations or experiences at your property the dust, noise or shaking due to Syar dynamiting should report it as a nuisance by calling the Consumer Affairs Hotline for complaints at 707-253-4059 or go online to get a City of Napa complaint form or fill out a County of Napa complaint form online.

Sincerely,

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Re: Syar Napa Quarry Expansion - #PO8-00337-SMP

Is an expanded surface mining operation by Syar Napa Quarry, adjacent to the City of Napa, the State Hospital and Skyline Park, appropriate? At what cost to the health and well being of its citizens will enacting the expansion plan cause without first enacting great improvements that ensure the well being of the people and the environment?

We live within the neighborhood just north of the Napa State Hospital just under ½ mile from the edge of the Syar open pit mining operation. At various times of its operation, we have noticed plumes of dust and a general dusty fog rising from the Syar operation when looking southeast while crossing over the Maxwell Bridge, and while taking our walks on the Napa River Trail between Kennedy Park and the Animal Shelter. We have noticed that our vehicles in the driveway and items on our patio and the foliage with normally shiny leaves in our garden have been covered routinely with about 3 to 4 times the dust as our son experiences at his house which is located in the neighborhood just north of Lincoln Ave. and west of California Blvd. More frequent washing of vehicles is required. More time is required to keep houses, patios, and windows clean in our neighborhood with the current level of operation at Syar. How much more dust will be generated by a 24/7 operation? How much more frequently will our neighborhood hear the sound and feel the after shock of the dynamiting?

Napa has its surrounding agricultural areas, but Syar mining dust goes beyond that. Is the daily dose of dust harmful that is created by Syar Industries quarry operation, carried by the prevailing wind and distributed over the neighborhoods, state hospital, junior college and elementary schools, marina and parks? Or, are the dust plumes rising from the various mining locations a benign nuisance? What is the chemical and mineral composition of all the deposits and dust from them? What is forecast as the particulate level per volume of air, and what is the projected volume if this operation were to go forward over all the years 24/7? Over how large an area do the dust plumes extend? Are there monitoring stations in the neighborhoods? If not, some should be set up to begin surveillance of the dust created and reports sent out to the EPA and the people living in the affected areas. I would like to see the reports giving scientific results for all my questions.

What effect can the dust from the quarry have on human lung tissue? What respiratory and other affects does it have generally and specifically. How does the dust affect the plants and animals in the natural setting of Skyline Park? How does it affect crops, vineyards, and orchards in the affected area? What affect is it having on the waterways and creeks and underground water? What is being done to address the erosion and runoff? What affect is the dust having on the efficiency of solar collectors in the area? What affect on future development of nearby properties adjacent to the Syar area, like what may be decided at the Napa Pipe property, which would bring more urban growth and traffic to the area?

Something that should be required right away is that during operation Syar should be keeping all its roads constantly watered down that its tractor trailers drive over, back and forth hauling the rock material to the processing area, and at all times there should be dust containment with all its manufacturing machinery and equipment and hauling trucks, as well. That won't do anything for the acres of stripped land whose dusty top layer is picked up by the winds daily. Implementation of technology beyond just the extraction of the mining material is needed to deal with the mining pollutants; this is of equal or greater importance, and lags behind.

Points of Contention:

Another concern with this expansion proposal is the mining to zero sea level request. A mining operation that would be creating such a huge, carved out area having straight sides down from the hills adjacent to a state hospital, schools, parks, and neighborhoods would be very ugly and out of character with the surrounding land uses. Also, since sea levels will be rising in the several decades ahead, this effort to extract every last bit of profit out of the removal of this ground seems outrageous. Is this mining location really slated to create a huge cavern at one of the "gateways" to Napa below the level of the Napa-Vallejo Highway that may ultimately fill with water seasonally if not permanently? If any mining operation at all is to move forward, it needs to be in sculpted terraces blending up to the surrounding hills and adjacent park with correctly developed roadbeds that take into consideration the future urban development of this acreage once the mining operation is closed down. The creation of shear cliffs with the potential of rockslides would also be creating a safety hazard to hikers and cyclist and to the future land use of the pit. Remember, we live in a beautiful valley that depends on tourism. How have other closed mining operations been redeveloped (and those that have not and why) should be investigated.

Also of concern is the seismic damage and nuisance caused to surrounding properties, that may experience sheetrock shearing and other damage to properties up to a mile away. The affects of the explosions are multiplied through the fault lines running through the eastern hills that the Syar operation is blasting into. In my opinion, dynamite blasting should not occur any closer than 1¼ miles from any state building, school, business or residence to reduce the pollution, shock, noise and damage. Mining 24/7 would be totally unacceptable. The 8-hour shift is a problem, currently, without constant environmental

monitoring and clean up plan in operation. As in the case of former Sawyers and Calnap tanneries, which the city grew around, is an open pit mining operation adjacent to the City of Napa inappropriate moving forward? The cost of health and safety improvements that should be required will be bulked at and said to be prohibitively expensive. Syar is currently operating adjacent to residential neighborhoods in southeast Napa. Would a permit ever be given to Syar to operate a similar mining operation adjacent to the residential neighborhoods of Silverado Country Club? I think not. Also, is Syar ready to fairly compensate the citizens who live and work adjacent to its operation?

Again, of great concern is the fact that testing stations have not been set up at Syar Industries and throughout the adjacent neighborhoods to collect dust samples daily for testing of the dust created by Syar Industries. The fact that testing has not been regularly ongoing is a business expense Syar has been able to avoid due to weak regulation. The dusty materials from the hundreds of dirt tracks should also be tested regularly. Again, what damage can we expect to be done by air born silicates to students, residents and workers in near by schools, homes and businesses? Mercury is a known component in the ground behind the state hospital and asbestos is a substance that exists in areas throughout the Napa Valley. What alternate plans will be in place to stop the mining operation if these or any other known carcinogens are discovered? Are carcinogenic materials currently being mixed in with the aggregate produced and sold? Is Syar ready and willing to run a smaller operation and invest in all that it will take to make the operation safe, non-polluting and aesthetic enough to be along a Gateway to Napa? If not, there are other wonderful options Syar has with regards to the use of this property location.

The mining operation is not in the city limits, but because this proposal for expansion of this operation as stated is so huge and without the proper environmental controls or oversight, the City of Napa and its citizens who will be directly affected, should definitely have a role in the decision making moving forward, in my opinion. I know it must be very tempting to the county to just move ahead with this expansion (with minimal additional health and safety requirements) for the monetary benefits to the county. But what is best for the health, safety and thoughtful development of our community must out-weigh the monetary temptation.

Sincerely,
Sandra Booth

See attached image of dust creation at Syar.
Go to Google Maps (Satellite) and Google Earth to view Syar Quarry operation.
Copies sent to others.

Frost, Melissa

Subject: FW: Skyline Park/Syar

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:19 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: FW: Skyline Park/Syar

From: Elisabeth Bertolucci [<mailto:poochiemama@comcast.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:03 PM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Skyline Park/Syar

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Thank you,
Elisabeth Bertolucci

P.S. You may be receiving identical letters from many residents in Napa. All of us feel the same way. We need to save Skyline Park!

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Frost, Melissa

subject: FW: quarrying skyline park

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:20 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: FW: quarrying skyline park

From: Ellen Parsley [<mailto:jortyma@sbcglobal.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:12 PM
To: tkscottco@aol.com; mattpope384@gmail.com; tkscottco@aol.com; napacommissioner@yahoo.com; McDowell, John
Subject: quarrying skyline park

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Thank you,

Ellen Parsley
Silver Stag Winery
5260 Country Lane
Napa , CA 94558
P: 707 224-3111
F: 707 224-3335

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Frost, Melissa

Subject: FW: Syar

From: Karla Stromberger [<mailto:strmbrgr@napanet.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:13 PM
To: McDowell, John; napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: Syar

From: Karla Stromberger <strmbrgr@napanet.net>
Date: Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 3:42 PM
To: <donald.barella@countyofnapa.org>
Subject: Syar

Hello, Donald!

Please read the 2013 EIR regarding the air pollution that results from this type of mining. I live with Asthma and cannot afford to be exposed to any more pollutants than already exist in the air in the Napa Valley!

Once again, the planning between all departments and projects in the County has not been integrated. The idea that Napa Pipe will proceed and then be so impacted by any further mining, let alone the rest of the 5 to 10 surrounding miles is a repeat of other County projects. All projects in this County need to be looked at in terms of the impact of one upon the other (INTEGRATED!)

This project must NOT continue! And, please read this at the meeting tomorrow!

Karla Stromberger
76 Highland Dr
Napa CA 94559

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Barrella, Donald

From: Barbara Dondero <barbdondero@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 2:04 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: Syar expansion

Hello Mr. Barrella,

I am a resident of the neighborhood adjacent to Napa State Hospital and Syar Quarry. My address is 2180 Marshall Ave, so I am very close to Imola Ave.

I am writing urging you to NOT allow the expansion of Syar quarry. There is already too much noise and activity generated by the current operations. I do not want it increased. It will seriously affect the quality of life in our neighborhood.

I am the nurse for the early childhood department of NCOE which is a neighbor of the quarry as well. Please help to keep the air quality and environment surrounding our preschool centers on Imola Avenue as clean as possible.

I like to hike at Skyline Park, and I appreciate the quiet and the beautiful views. Please do not ruin the park by allowing this expansion. Napa County is already being over-developed at an alarming rate by wineries and vineyards. Please help us retain this beautiful, natural area as a haven from all the stress and bustle of the valley.

Thank you for your consideration,
Barbara J. Dondero, RN, MSN, PNP
2180 Marshall Avenue
Napa, CA 94559

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Napa County Planning, Building
& Environmental Services

January 6, 2015

To: Donald Barrella

Napa County Department of Planning, Building & Environmental Services

From: Dorothy Glaros

President of Skyline Park Citizens Association

Re: Comments to the Syar Quarry Expansion FEIR

Page 1 of 2

The Skyline Park Citizens Association and its Board of Directors appreciate this opportunity to comment on the FEIR responses to our original comments in the DEIR. While our originally submitted document contained informational paragraphs, these were responded to in the FEIR. We have no need to comment on those comments but will only address those we have issue with. Because we do not address some of the FEIR comments does not mean that we agree or disagree with the FEIR comments.

U-3, U-4 and U-5. The FEIR did not answer our concerns/suggestions or provide any analysis of all the options of not moving the trail, moving the trail with seventeen switch backs or moving the trail with three switch backs.. This relocation is a part of the project and will significantly impact Skyline Park and its world wide users along with various wildlife forms and vegetation/trees. It is not speculative as the DEIR comments. Skyline's alternative trail proposal is not subjective. It is good trail design and needs to be addressed in this document. A real and viable solution is called for. If Skyline Trail is not moved and just cut off, it is a significant loss to the park. If Skyline Trail is moved with their version of seventeen switch backs or our better trail design suggestion of three switch backs, the environmental impacts of the move need to be analyzed or you do not have a good document.

U-8. Removing Skyline Trail is a significant impact unless it is mitigated. The EIR proposes to mitigate it by moving Skyline Trail. All FEIR comments up through U-8 beg the question. Moving the trail creates a significant impact and the alternatives need to be addressed in this FEIR document. They have not been addressed. This should not be put off until later as the FEIR suggests. In order to mitigate moving Skyline Trail, it must be a realistic, legally adequate mitigation and it needs to be analyzed in this document.

U-9. There is no factual basis for this FEIR claim. This is definitely part of CEQA. A mitigation that is not paid for is not a mitigation.

U-13, U-14 and U-15. We disagree. Skyline lies to the north and east of the quarry. In the 1973 EIR, it was stated and is a well-known fact by Napa residents that the winds come from the south west daily so in fact we would in fact be impacted contrary to what the FEIR states. Even if the winds have now somehow changed since their 1973 EIR and come from just the south as this FEIR states, we will still be impacted. In the DEIR, their noise analysis stated that the noise from the Passini Ranch exceeds the County standard. People do not always stay on trails. For example, if they are bird watching, they travel off the trails close to property lines in their pursuit and will thereby be effected.

U-17. The Passini Ranch is not designated as a mineral resource area now nor has it been in the past. Right now this is a significant impact. When the County reviews their general plan, they may review this area but there is no guarantee that the County will re-designate it as a mineral resource area.

U-18. Their response is inadequate. This incompatibility needs to be addressed and answered directly. This is admittedly a significant impact and cannot be ignored.

U-20. Their proposal to deal with this at a future time is inadequate. It needs to be specifically spelled out in this document in order to assess its effectiveness as a mitigation measure. Mitigation plan specifics have to be in place before the FEIR can be properly reviewed or it is not guaranteed to actually be a mitigating measure. If you have a choice between two sites for tree replacement, the site closer to the impacted area is always a better choice since that is the area most negatively impacted.

U-22. Their response is inadequate. Please see our response to their response about noise concerns.

U-23. Again, they are not responding to our concerns. We asked specifically asked to be notified of when they will be dynamiting/blasting so we may inform our park users for their safety and their answer of "comment noted" is completely inadequate when lives are at stake.

U-24. Acoustical shielding has not been investigated or addressed as to what the shielding is and how effective it is. "As possible" was written in the FEIR. Does this mean 10% of the time, 80% of the time? How much is this, and is it adequate? The "quietest available equipment" defines what? What is this equipment; how will it reduce noise; how much noise will it reduce; and what proof is there that their "quietest available equipment" will actually reduce noise? "The County will monitor the noise levels." How will this help? If you have an existing quarry that is expanding and they go over the DBAs, will the quarry be shut down? If they go over the DBA, will they voluntarily shutdown the quarry?

U-25. The FEIR has not yet proven the effectiveness of their mitigating measures in actually mitigating issues/concerns. Many times their responses were "comment noted" instead of actually answering the issues presented. Their responses were more dismissive than informative and did not directly address specific comments and concerns.

For the above reasons, among others unlisted for the sake of brevity, this FEIR is incomplete.

Thank you for your time and consideration.
Dorothy Glaros
President Skyline Park Citizens Association

Frost, Melissa

Subject: FW: Skyline park

From: Matt Pope [mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:47 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline park

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From: Hotmail <lizmartin25@hotmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 4:46 PM
Subject: Skyline park
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>

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*Thank you,
Lizbeth martin
Sent from my iPhone*

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Save a Life: Spay/Neuter and Adopt!

Frost, Melissa

Subject: FW: Expansion of Skyar

From: Matt Pope [mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:48 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Expansion of Skyar

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From: Pat Wolfe <wolfe@napanet.net>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 4:34 PM
Subject: Expansion of Skyar
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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Thank you,

Dr. Pat Wolfe

555 Randolph Street

Napa, CA 94559

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From: Matt Pope [<mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:49 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
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From: Cynthia Langlois-Yallop <thegael40@aol.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 4:47 PM
Subject: Skyline / SYAR opposition
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,

Cynthia Langlois
Life long Napa resident and Skyline hiker

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Subject: FW: Opposition to Skyline Park quarrying

From: Matt Pope [mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:50 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Skyline Park quarrying

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From: Chad Weick <chadweick@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:55 PM
Subject: Opposition to Skyline Park quarrying
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

As a part time resident of Napa, this note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Chad Weick
225 Berna Ave
Napa, CA 94559

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Subject: FW: Syar and Skyline Park

From: Matt Pope [mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:50 PM

To: Frost, Melissa

Subject: Fwd: Syar and Skyline Park

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From: Lisa Gottfried <lisa@videoinaminute.com>

Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:47 PM

Subject: Syar and Skyline Park

To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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*Thank you,
Lisa Gottfried*

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Frost, Melissa

Subject: FW: Syar expansion

From: Matt Pope [<mailto:mattpoppe384@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:51 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar expansion

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From: T Beller <t@vervenapavalley.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:46 PM
Subject: Syar expansion
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

To whom it concerns:

I am unequivocally opposed to the Syar expansion into Skyline Park. It would have a devastating impact on the park, as well as our community. At the very least, this matter warrants further discussion. I am unable to attend a morning hearing on the topic.

Thank you,
T Beller, Coombsville resident

Verve Napa Valley // curated wine country tours and destination management

T Beller

Founder & Curator-in-Chief

[Website](#) | [Email](#)

mobile: [707.480.5143](tel:707.480.5143) | office: [707.253.2269](tel:707.253.2269)

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We're honored to be the only tour company selected to be in the Napa Valley Scout Guide: <http://bit.ly/1bcZF53>

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Frost, Melissa

Subject: FW: Potential Skyline Park Quarry

From: Matt Pope [mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:51 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Potential Skyline Park Quarry

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From: Sabrina Altenreuther <sublimecmt@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:42 PM
Subject: Potential Skyline Park Quarry
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,
Sabrina Altenreuther

Sent from my iPad

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From: Matt Pope [<mailto:matt pope384@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:51 PM
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From: **Martha Lopez** <mflopez@nvusd.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:40 PM
Subject:
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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Thanks you,
Martha F Macias De Lopez

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:28 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Plans for Skyline Park

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Susan Prudhomme \(\att\)" <susanprudhomme@att.net>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 4:52:55 PM PST
To: <matt pope384@gmail.com>, <tkscottco@aol.com>, <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, <John.McDowell@countvofnapa.org>
Subject: Syar Plans for Skyline Park

I am shocked and angered by the plans for Syar Industries to encroach further into Skyline Park. We like to hike there and enjoy its serenity and peacefulness; our daughter rides horses there. I can only imagine what effect the noise of blasting would have on horses, presenting a significant safety issue. High-decibel undertakings plus degrading of the landscape are not compatible with a nature-oriented recreational area and habitat for wildlife such as Skyline, which is well-used, loved and appreciated by the citizens of Napa Valley.

Please vote "No" to this proposal.

Susan Prudhomme

FB: Susan Prudhomme Author

www.susanprudhomme.com[susanprudhomme.com]

The Forest: Book I of Menchian Journeys (OakTara 2011)

The Wisdom of Ambrose (OakTara 2011)

The Desert: Book II of Menchian Journeys (OakTara 2014)

Plura (blurb.com[blurb.com])

Strande, Hannah

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:34 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: FW: Syar/Skyline Park

-----Original Message-----

From: Nancy Johnson [<mailto:ezerider@pacbell.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:04 PM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Syar/Skyline Park

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Thank you,

Mark and Nancy Johnson

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From: McDowell, John
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:38 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: FW: Opposition to Syar Industries Quarry Expansion Proposal

From: Elaine Waterman Kearney [<mailto:elaine@kearney.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:00 PM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Syar Industries Quarry Expansion Proposal

Hi John,

I was just alerted to forward this to your attention, thank you for you help.

Elaine

Begin forwarded message:

From: Elaine Waterman Kearney <elaine@kearney.com>
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Syar Industries Quarry Expansion Proposal
Date: January 6, 2015 at 3:33:37 PM PST
To: donald.barella@countyofnapa.org

I forgot to copy you the first time.

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Date: January 6, 2015 at 3:30:40 PM PST
Subject: Opposition to Syar Industries Quarry Expansion Proposal
Cc: Dave Kearney <dk@boomerang.com>
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,

Elaine W. Kearney
 305 Ashlar Drive
 Napa, CA 94558

Strande, Hannah

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:41 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: FW: Please read this objection to Syar's expansion into the record at the 1/7/15 Planning Commission Meeting

From: roslyn potter [<mailto:rozpotter1@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:45 PM
To: McDowell, John
Cc: roslyn potter
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To: donald.barella@countyofnapa.org
Cc: roslyn potter <rozpotter1@gmail.com>, Sandra Booth <juniperbooth@hotmail.com>

Napa Planning Commission Members,

Vote NO to Syar's Napa Quarry Expansion Project.

The Syar project includes expansion of asphalt production. The current Syar facility includes an asphaltic batch plant. A yes vote will expand this plant to 300,000 tons per year and add a Reclaimed Asphaltic Product (RAP) handling facility

Asphalt plants mix gravel and sand with crude oil derivatives to make the asphalt used to pave roads, highways, and parking lots across the U.S. These plants release millions of pounds of chemicals into the air during production each year, including many cancer causing toxic air pollutants such as arsenic, benzene, formaldehyde, and cadmium. Other toxic chemicals are released into the air as the asphalt is loaded into trucks and hauled from the plant site, including volatile organic compounds, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and very fine condensed particulates (EPA).

Asphalt processing and asphalt roofing manufacturing facilities are major sources of hazardous air pollutants such as formaldehyde, hexane, phenol, polycyclic organic matter and toluene. (Source EPA) “

“According to one health agency, asphalt fumes contain substances known to cause cancer, can cause coughing, wheezing or shortness of breath, severe irritation of the skin, headaches, dizziness, and nausea. Animal studies show PAHs (Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) affect respiratory reproduction, cause birth defects and are hazardous to the immune system. (NJDHSS). The US Department of Health and Human Services has determined that PAHs may be carcinogenic to humans. “

In addition to smokestack emissions, large amounts of harmful “fugitive emissions” are released as the asphalt is moved around in trucks and conveyor belts, and is stored in stockpiles. A small asphalt plant producing 100 thousand tons of asphalt per year may release up to 50 tons of toxic fugitive emissions into the air. (Dr. R.

Nadkarni). Stagnant air and local weather patterns often increase the level of exposure to local communities. In fact, most asphalt plants are not even tested for toxic emissions. ⁷⁵

The amounts of these pollutants that are released from a factory are estimated by a computer and mathematical formulas rather than by actual stack testing, estimates that experts agree do not accurately predict the amount of toxic fumes released or the risks they pose”

Source:

http://www.bredl.org/pdf/BeSafe_Asphalt.pdf[bredl.org]

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Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:53 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar and Skyline Park- Oppose

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From: Chris Sullivan <sully67@gmail.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 5:30:30 PM PST
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: Syar and Skyline Park- Oppose

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Christopher, Leslie, Nico, Kristen, Patricia and Jim Sullivan
3rd, 4th, and 5th generation Napa natives

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 7:02 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park / Syar

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: db <debe@napanet.net>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 6:48:14 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com
Subject: Skyline Park / Syar

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of 10 jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

Thank you,
Dennis Bertolucci

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 7:02 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Sandy Sagraves <sasa@sandysagraves.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 6:46:11 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com
Subject: Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa, This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday. Thank you, Sandy Sagraves

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:16 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Mining at Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Sue Bradford <sehbstudio@aol.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 9:43:14 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Cc: "Andy Bradford (husband)" <andycufe@aol.com>
Subject: Syar Mining at Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This email is to inform you of my strong opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs or revenue to be gained by Syar.

There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. According to the Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District letter of December 24, 2014, in the Draft EIR, "it has been noted that the Pasini property has historically never been part of the quarry and that expansion into this parcel would represent a significant shift of land use policy." According to this letter to the Napa Planning Commission, the recent State mapping of this area show much of Skyline Wilderness Park as a mineral resource area, which says to me that this desire to expand into Skyline Park or Pasini property has more to do with greed than responsible land stewardship.

Once this land is gone, it is gone.

Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

*Thank you,
Susan Helman-Bradford*

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:16 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Project

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Candy <cdusky@sbcglobal.net>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 9:33:35 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Cc: Glenn Dusky <gdusky@sbcglobal.net>, Candy Dusky <cdusky@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Syar Project

Dear Planning Commission:

Please look at the destructiveness that rock mining does - not just to the environment but to the people that live near it. This isn't safe to do for those that live around the State Hospital and to the North of the mining area...

[http://www.earthworksaction.org/files/publications/MiningHealthReport_WVE.pdf?pubs/MiningHealthReport_WVE.pdf\[earthworksaction.org\]](http://www.earthworksaction.org/files/publications/MiningHealthReport_WVE.pdf?pubs/MiningHealthReport_WVE.pdf[earthworksaction.org])

Please do not approve this project by Syar!!!!

The Dusky Family
Granada Street, Napa 94559

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:17 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park quarrying

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Wendy Lindroos <wendylindroos@gmail.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 9:28:40 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: Skyline Park quarrying

Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,

This note is to inform you of our vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present our opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Wendy and Steve Lindroos

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:17 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Industries

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Janet James <jejames85@yahoo.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 8:07:03 PM PST
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Subject: Syar Industries
Reply-To: Janet James <jejames85@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners,

I am firmly against the expansion of Syar Industries in or next to Skyline Park and particularly against the expansion of asphalt production. Asphalt production will cause the air quality already notoriously bad in the north bay to become worse exposing residents within a few miles of the plant to many carcinogens and harmful substances. How can you knowingly allow such a plant so close to residential homes? It is most despicable to allow asphalt production now that so many homes will be built and families move into the Napa Pipe area exposing them to chemicals known to cause cancer. Napa is a tourist destination and the smell of asphalt when entering the valley may impact the tourist industry. There are many other wine growing regions in California that would like to take Napa's place.

I would also like to say that Skyline Park is a beautiful asset to Napa and should be kept as pristine as we see it now. It should be preserved for the residents of the valley just as the redwoods, Yosemite and San Francisco bay were preserved. It is just a smaller park but just as important.

Respectfully,
Janet James
1252 Cayetano Dr.
Napa, Ca 94559

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:17 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Keep Skyline park in tact

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Meredith Rebolledo <meredith.rebolledo@me.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 8:08:10 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: **Keep Skyline park in tact**

*Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.*

*Thank you,
Meredith Rebolledo*

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:18 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: margop@napanet.net
Date: January 6, 2015 at 7:54:48 PM PST
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com
Subject: Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.
Thank you,
Margo Pruyn

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:06 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar Skyline Expansion

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From: Erik Harvey <erikclimate@sbcglobal.net>

Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 8:14 AM

Subject: Syar Skyline Expansion

To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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My family has been hiking here for years and it would be a shame to lose such a beautiful site. The exchange is not worth it.

Thank you,

Erik Harvey

1029 Summit, Napa

Erik Harvey

707.363.5763

erikclimate@sbcglobal.net

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:06 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Amara Schoenberg <amara_schoenberg@nvlacharter.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 8:26 AM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: mattpoppe384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

*Thanks you,
Amara Schoenberg*

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:06 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: **Patty Magro** <pmagro@nvusd.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 8:15 AM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

*Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.*

*Thanks you,
Patricia Magro*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:07 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar taking Skyline

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From: **Ann Morley** <ann.morley@att.net>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 8:06 AM
Subject: Syar taking Skyline
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

*Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
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*Thank you,
Ann Morley*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:04 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: No to Syar Industries

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From: **Morgan Gmelch** <morgangmelch@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 9:34 AM
Subject: No to Syar Industries
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

I am writing to express my opposition to the increase in quarrying activity around Skyline Park. The impacts to the environment outweigh any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Allowing our hills to be blasted away is in direct contradiction to the land use protection that Napa has pioneered. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Morgan Gmelch

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:04 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Karen Stern <kwstern@sonic.net>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 9:44 AM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,

Karen Stern

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Strande, Hannah

From: Frost, Melissa
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 11:05 AM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Syar quarry proposal

Melissa Frost

Administrative Clerk
Napa County
Planning, Building & Environmental Services
707.299.1380

From: Matt Pope [<mailto:mattpoppe384@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:03 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar quarry proposal

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From: Lars Christianson <LChristianson@napavalley.edu>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 10:33 AM
Subject: Syar quarry proposal
To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,

Lars Christianson
Instructional Assistant

Napa Valley College



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Strande, Hannah

From: Frost, Melissa
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 11:05 AM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

Melissa Frost

Administrative Clerk
Napa County
Planning, Building & Environmental Services
707.299.1380

From: Matt Pope [<mailto:mattpoppe384@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 5:01 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Gwen Kell <GKell@napavalley.edu>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 11:06 AM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>

Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Sincerely,

Gwen Kell

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Counselor/Professor

707-256-7238

gkell@napavalley.edu



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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:58 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd:

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From: **John D. Laughlin** <johndlaughlin@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 12:25 PM
Subject:
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. As a frequent user of the park and an regular consumer in Napa, I am insulted by this idea. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thanks,
John Laughlin
Santa Rosa

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:57 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Amy Brown <ahbrown@nvusd.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 12:36 PM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com, matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

Thanks you,

Amy Brown

Read 180/System 44 Teacher



Napa Valley Language Academy

"Know thy impact on student learning." John Hattie

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From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:57 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: **Emily Duncan** <emily2294@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 12:37 PM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,
Emily Duncan

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:57 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: skyline park

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From: Lori Piombo <lpiombo@nvusd.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 12:47 PM
Subject: skyline park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

Thanks,

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Lori Piombo
Enrichment Coordinator
Napa Valley Language Academy

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:56 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar

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From: Joan Conversano <jpconversano@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 1:08 PM
Subject: Syar
To: "tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com,>

matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thanks you,
Joan Conversano

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:56 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Susan Velani <velani.susan@gene.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 1:40 PM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Cc: Susan Velani <sswartz@gene.com>

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my strong opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. We are regular hikers at Skyline and enjoy the peaceful and convenient retreat that the park provides. The Syar project would significantly impact this public space and the list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Susan Velani
220 Lakeview Dr
Napa

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:56 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar
Attachments: image001.jpg

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From: Ian Fenwick <if@maisonry.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 1:42 PM
Subject: Syar
To:

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,

Ian

Ian Fenwick

Private Client Leader

if@maisonry.com

P: [707.944.9889](tel:707.944.9889) | C: [707.888.7611](tel:707.888.7611) | F: [707.944.0880](tel:707.944.0880)

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:55 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Jill Applegate <jkdredhead@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 2:19 PM

Subject: Skyline Park

To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,

Jill K. Applegate

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:54 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: regarding vote for quarry tomorrow

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From: **lisa henry** <lisahenrysemail@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 2:32 PM
Subject: regarding vote for quarry tomorrow
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

*Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
I am concerned about the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.*

*Thank you,
Lisa Henry*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:53 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd:

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From: Helen McNutt <hvmcnutt@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:20 PM
Subject:
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa:

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Thank you,

Helen V. McNutt
651 Montecito Blvd.
Napa, CA 94559

Save a Life: Spay/Neuter and Adopt!

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 4:53 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Increase in quarrying activity in Skyline Park

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From: Jose Cerda <jose_cerda@nvlacharter.org>
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 3:26 PM
Subject: Increase in quarrying activity in Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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*Thank you,
Jose G. Cerda
Teacher at Napa Valley Language Academy*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 10:18 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Proposed Syar Expansion to Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Matthew Schmitz <schmitzler@yahoo.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 7:42:22 PM PST
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "heather@vinehillranch.com" <heather@vinehillranch.com>, "fidd@comcast.net" <fidd@comcast.net>
Subject: **Proposed Syar Expansion to Skyline Park**

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Thank you,

Matthew Schmitz

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:21 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar vs. Skyline

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Amy Zuidema <amyz6@att.net>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 11:20:51 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: Syar vs. Skyline

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*Thank you,
Amy Zuidema
4334 E 3rd Avenue
Napa, CA 94558
707.363.5574*

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:22 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Proposed Syar Expansion to Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: woodrowbanta@aol.com
Date: January 6, 2015 at 10:57:39 PM PST
To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "heather@vinehillranch.com" <heather@vinehillranch.com>, "fidd@comcast.net" <fidd@comcast.net>
Subject: Proposed Syar Expansion to Skyline Park

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Thank you,

Woodrow Banta

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Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:22 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar at Skyline Park

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Andy's Yahoo <copperirondesigns@yahoo.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 10:48:28 PM PST
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>
Subject: Syar at Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,

This email is to inform you of my strong opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs or revenue to be gained by Syar.

There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. For the last 23 year my family and I have enjoyed Skyline Park for hiking, group events, earth day, a wedding, camp outs, school field trips and BBQs. I would hate to lose this untouched native area not only for myself and my family but for our future generations.

Once this native Napa Valley land is gone, it is gone.

Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

*Thank you,
Andrew Bradford*

Sent from my iPhone

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:22 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Barbara Petersen <barbarapetersen201@gmail.com>
Date: January 6, 2015 at 10:37:05 PM PST
To: "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>
Subject: Skyline Park

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Thank you,
Barbara Petersen

Sent from my iPad

Strande, Hannah

From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:09 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Syar napa quarry expansion project, permit#PO8-00337-smp

From: June Dougherty [<mailto:fractallog@aol.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 06, 2015 11:02 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: Syar napa quarry expansion project, permit#PO8-00337-smp

January 6, 2015

Mr. Donald Barrella
 Planner III
 Napa County Planning, Bldg, and Envir. Services Dept

Dear Mr. Barrella:

Thank you for receiving my comments at this time. Below are a few brief comments on the Final EIR for the Syar project. I have only just reviewed the document and will provide more detailed comments should the response period be extended to January 21.

My comments on the document and the impacts are focused on 2 primary impact areas, aesthetics and noise, and on the general approach of the comment responses.

Aesthetics:

In general the photos and simulations, and lines of site are generally too far away to adequately visually define the true nature of the visual change that will be evident to the residents that live to the north and east of the project area. Also there should be an overlay of the topos and photos to accurately display the true nature of the mining operations and its affect on the view. Presently no such image exists in the report and this omission thus downplays the severity of the visual impact. An impact that can not ever be mitigated.

Based on information available in the report the reader is left to make their own conclusions of the future state of the view from the north and east. I am a resident on Penny Lane and I have included photos (in the next email) of the view of the backside of the project area from my home. I suggest that this close up view be or similar be incorporated into the document, with a simulation showing how much of the south west portion view of the hillside will be gone if the proposed expansion is permitted. In addition, property value declines should be assessed in the areas north of Imola over to the middle school, as the aesthetic view from these properties would be permanently marred and altered. This impact had not been adequately addressed in the document.

Noise:

The noise impact section is pedestrian at best. While it contains basic information and preliminary baselines, it does not take into account the actual noise levels within the residential areas away from Imola avenue, nor does it account for the alteration in the travel of the additional noise once the current terrain barrier is lowered. Noise levels that were taken within 180 feet of Imola are not representative of actual residential noise levels, and should not be used as the baseline. Also, as quarry activities proceed up in elevation and terrain is removed, noise will travel much further along the valley floor than it currently does, and the reverberation/echo affect from the western and eastern hills will increase the "canyon affect" across larger expanses of the valley floor than just the immediately adjacent properties that are included in the report. The noise impact needs to be better analyzed.

Response to comments:

In general this area of the document is dismissive and repetitive in its responses without substantial basis. For example, the use of the historical use of the property as a precedence for future use is erroneous in this context for numerous reasons, that I will not detail here, yet it is used repeatedly as an assumed acceptable reason for ignoring the true severity of future impacts. Several commenters have described this error in great detail in the draft, but it has not been

addressed in the final document. Furthermore, the "we were here first" argument does not hold weight in today's development negotiations.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments,
Sincerely,

June Dougherty
Resident, 2168 Penny Lane
Environmental Scientist, Air and Noise Specialist

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From: Matt Pope <mattpop384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 7:43 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Miguel Gutierrez <miguel_gutierrez@nvusd.org>
Date: January 7, 2015 at 6:10:34 AM PST
To: mattpop384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: Skyline Park

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*Thanks you,
Miguel Gutierrez*

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:44 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Against SYAR expansion

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From: Katherine Novick <novick.katherine@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 8:35 PM
Subject: Against SYAR expansion
To: mattpope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com,
John.McDowell@countyofnapa.org

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Thank you,

Katherine Novick
3230 Vichy Ave
Napa, CA

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:44 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Template Letter

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From: no_franks <no_franks@hotmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 8:18 PM
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Template Letter
To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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> Thank you,

> Sandra K. Ross

> 34 year employee of Napa Valley College, current Skyline Park User and former Napa citizen

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:21 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar wants to do what???

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Victoria Swan <vicky3396815@gmail.com>
Date: January 7, 2015 at 12:03:54 AM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Subject: Syar wants to do what???

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Victoria Swan, a resident of Napa. I am very much opposed to Syar having permission to any quarry activity inside Skyline Park or increased activity around it. This park is not "disposable". It is important for the community to have a peaceful place to be in nature.

Thank you,
Victoria Swan

Victoria Swan
650-556-3883
vicky3396815@gmail.com

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:45 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to the Syar Quarry expansion

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From: Chris Page <chris_m_page@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 5:51 PM
Subject: Opposition to the Syar Quarry expansion
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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*Thank you,
Christopher Page*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:47 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to increase in quarrying around Skyline Park

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From: **Roberta Manell Montero** <montero.roberta@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 4:54 PM
Subject: Opposition to increase in quarrying around Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com, tkscottco@aol.com

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Thank you,

Roberta Montero
3 Ramona Ave.

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:48 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park quarrying

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From: **Judy Behrendt** <judybehrendt@earthlink.net>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 4:44 PM
Subject: Skyline Park quarrying
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,

Judy Behrendt and Dave Baraff

231 Berna Ave

Napa

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:48 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park - Syar

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From: Randy Martinsen <rm@randymartinsen.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 3:40 PM
Subject: Skyline Park - Syar
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,

Randy Martinsen

1531 East Ave, Napa, CA 94559

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Strande, Hannah

From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:57 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Syar Expansion, Sudden Oak Death, and Mountain Lion Habitat.

From: Fred Kukowski [<mailto:frederickparker0@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 9:07 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: Syar Expansion, Sudden Oak Death, and Mountain Lion Habitat.

My Name is Frederick Parker,

I am a concerned neighbor of Skyline Park, as-well as an employee.

Syar mining plans to overtake Passini Knoll, and continue mining the state blue pit, and remove thousands of Trees.

There is a known infection of Sudden oak Death in this area, and wondered if there was any regard to removing these trees, while causing the spread of the disease with debris, and the inoculation of uninfected plants through water-shed, vehicular movement, and possible effects of wind and rain.

As-well,

It is known that these areas may contain habitat for the local wildlife, a food source for the Mountain lions living in the area. I question whether or not the area of Syar's expansion might be the actual habitat of the Mountain lion. I'd like to discuss what kind of protection, or laws, might be in place for designating a piece of land habitat for these creatures, and to assess, whether or not the expansion of Syar Mining, onto the Passini Knoll and State Blue Pit, will affect the well-being of these creatures. Along with the idea of machinery vibration, and blasting, as-well as the possible true displacement of this creature.

Syar is planning to expand it's borders into a wilderness area, where it is known that a mountain lion possibly lives, along with it's food source, and possible shelter.

Any information you can present, regarding these two impacts, would be greatly appreciated.

Frederick Parker

707-246-4570

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From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:13 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 7:19 AM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

From: Karen Stern [<mailto:kwstern@sonic.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:56 AM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Skyline Park

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Thank you,

Karen Stern

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:50 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd:

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From: Sue Berry <sueberry@pacbell.net>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 12:56 PM
Subject:
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,
Sue Berry

532 E. Spring St.

Napa CA 94559

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:50 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: I VOTE NO FOR SKYLINE PARK TO GET TAMPERED WITH....

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From: Sergio Ortega <sergio_ortega@nvusd.org>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 12:55 PM
Subject: I VOTE NO FOR SKYLINE PARK TO GET TAMPERED WITH....
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thanks you, Sergio Ortega

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:51 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd:

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From: **Stephanie Grohs** <grohs@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 12:48 PM
Subject:
To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,
Stephanie Grohs

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:52 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: My beloved Skyline Park

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From: Sara Featherstone <SFeatherstone@napavalley.edu>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 9:42 AM
Subject: My beloved Skyline Park
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Cc: "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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Thank you,

Sara Featherstone

Child Development Specialist II

Napa Valley College

Child Development Center

Let's keep Skyline Park preserved for generations to come. Let's think about the big picture here!

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:53 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Skyline Park issue

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From: **Allen Balik** <allenbalik@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 9:12 AM
Subject: Opposition to Skyline Park issue
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com

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Thank you,
Allen Balik and
Barbara Balik
Full time residents of the city of Napa

Allen R. Balik
[707-252-1001](tel:707-252-1001) Office
[818-590-9455](tel:818-590-9455) Cell
[707-253-9119](tel:707-253-9119) Fax
allenbalik@gmail.com
www.savorlifethroughwine.com

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Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:54 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Opposed to Syar expansion near Skyline Park

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From: Rich Whitall <rdwhitall@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 9:05 AM
Subject: Opposed to Syar expansion near Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com,
david_allred@nvlacharter.org

Dear Commissioners;

I live across the river from Syar Industries, and every day look at the scarred hillside and see the dust rising over there. Adjacent to this eyesore is a beautiful open space, wild and now green - Skyline Park. I am appalled that Syar wants to expand this eyesore - especially into our park boundaries (if you have walked the skyline trail you know how close their existing quarry is to the park already.

Is this what we want? The permanent destruction of our viewshed, the degradation of our premier park, the environmental impacts - all for a few more jobs and some tax revenue?

Please stop this expansion. Syar has many other options for acquiring their "product".

Sincerely,

Rich Whitall
926 Marina Drive
Napa, CA 94559

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Save a Life: Spay/Neuter and Adopt!

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:59 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar/Skyline

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From: **Matt & Pam Blume** <mattpam@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 8:39 AM
Subject: Syar/Skyline
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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*Thank you,
Pam Marietti & Matthew Blume*

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Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 10:59 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: No to SYAR!

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From: Carole Arcellana <carcellana@nvusd.org>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 8:19 AM
Subject: No to SYAR!
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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Additionally, as a Napa Valley Unified School Nurse, I am well aware of high rates of asthma in our valley. This project will impact people with existing respiratory conditions (asthma, COPD) as well as being a potential for causing further increased rates of respiratory problems. I am 100% against this project.

Thank you,

~Carole S Arcellana RN, Credentialed Nurse NVUSD~

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 11:00 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline

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From: **Christine Sully** <christine@somerstonwineco.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 8:13 AM
Subject: Skyline
To: "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>

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Thank you,

Christine Sully

Somerston Wine Co., LLC

Vineyards & Winery Office Manager

707-967-8414

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 11:01 PM
To: Barrella, Donald; Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Ed Maass <edmaass@hotmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 8:12 AM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>
Cc: Ed Maass <edmaass@hotmail.com>

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Thank you,

Ed Maass
707-363-9606

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From: Matt Pope <mattpop384@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 11:02 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar industries

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From: Larry <loff15@msn.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 7:46 AM
Subject: Syar industries
To: "mattpop384@gmail.com" <mattpop384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com" <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com" <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>

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*Thank you,
Larry & Lynne Freeman*

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2015 12:51 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Maria Rohe <maria@vintagetrunkonline.com>
Date: Thu, Jan 8, 2015 at 12:00 PM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2015 12:52 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; McDowell, John
Subject: Fwd: Anthem Winery Public Comment

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From: Patricia Damery <pdamery@patriciadamery.com>
Date: Thu, Jan 8, 2015 at 8:03 AM
Subject: Anthem Winery Public Comment
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

Dear Commissioner Pope:

I want to put in print most of my open comments to the Commission Meeting on January 7, 2015. I celebrate your move to have public forums over the next year to discuss these land use issues which are becoming so important for our survival.

My husband, Donald Harms and I live at 3185 Dry Creek Rd. We are a certified Biodynamic organic ranch growing grapes, lavender and other aromatics, and some fruit. Most of our ranch is forested and rugged. We share a property line with our neighbors which has a tree easement protecting a portion of one of the few remaining oak savannas in our Napa Valley. This consists not only of huge old Valley Oaks but native grasses and plants and many animals. To them, this looks like a good place for vines; to us, we see a vital part of an ecology that helps sustain a healthy watershed.

There are so many issues to address and I will continue to be in contact with you and the Board of Supervisors. But today I want to voice my sincere wish that as we all move forward in 2015, that our county government in its many facets will work with citizen groups, several which have worked long and hard, some which are just now forming, to develop guidelines that protect the agricultural preserve but also the watersheds.

Watersheds are like mothers. When mothers are healthy and functioning properly, the children flourish. The mother for the most part is invisible, taken for granted. That was always my wish as mother: that my sons could take me for granted! But when the mother is sick or depleted, she's noticed. The children suffer.

In the case of watersheds, if we ignore the importance of our watersheds, if we don't maintain the conditions that provide healthy watersheds, and restore those which have been depleted, our water is at risk. Water is our lifeblood. It is what unites us. It is the commons, belonging to no one person, but to all of us.

In my husband's and my own situation, if we look at that oak savanna and see open space for vines, drill wells, and several wells, because they're not great wells, if the water is sucked up for new vines and expansion of a winery (Anthem winery), we are depleting an important part of a watershed. And believe me, in this drought, our trees are suffering. Way too many are dying or are sick, stressed by lack of water. Oak savannas and woodlands and all the plants and animals that are part of those communities are a vital part of our watersheds. The Native Americans maintained these hillsides for centuries, but a lot of that knowledge has been lost with them. These watersheds need study and protection and, yes, in many cases, restoration, certainly not exploitation for farming. In an Ag Preserve some things should be protected, and if they are not, we will all

suffer the consequences. Water unites us, water reminds us that we are of one piece. Fire will do this ¹³⁶.

Respectfully yours,
Patricia Damery

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2015 12:52 PM
To: Frost, Melissa; Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Skyline Park

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From: Minna Nummelin <minna_nummelin@nvlacharter.org>
Date: Thu, Jan 8, 2015 at 7:32 AM
Subject: Skyline Park
To: matt pope384@gmail.com

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*Thank you,
Minna Nummelin*

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Strande, Hannah

From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:49 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Against the mine

From: Sandra Meyer [<mailto:sandrakaymeyer@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2015 6:40 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: Against the mine

Please include my voice amongst the many who are opposed to the expansion of mining by syar. It is unconscionable to exchange health and nature and beauty for financial profits for the few. Please stand up for preserving the resources of Napa, for now and for the future.

Thanks,
Sandra Meyer

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Strande, Hannah

From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:51 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Syar Napa Quarry Asphalt Mining Permit.

From: Ann Nunziata [<mailto:ann.fitch@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2015 4:49 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Cc: Jon Fitch
Subject: Syar Napa Quarry Asphalt Mining Permit.

My family is opposed to granting a permit to Syar to operate within Skyline park.
My husband is a Napa native and we have returned to live in Napa since 2003.

I am aware that there is a shortage of asphalt since my brother-in-law is a civil engineer.
However, I feel strongly that such an operation should not be within our park system.
Napa is known to have a very weak parks system, and our citizen parks are a shining example of how parks can be managed on a local scale. This mining proposal would ruin that example.

My family lived in the shadow of Kaiser Cement in Cupertino for 20 years. Our home was covered in dust, and I am now reading of ongoing litigation regarding the health effects on the residents of Cupertino. Our home in Napa is also covered in dust, I thought from the vineyards, but am now realizing Syar's contribution . Please don't make it worse.

Regards,

*Ann Nunziata, wife of
Jonathan Fitch
1080 Fourth Avenue
Napa*

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From: McDowell, John
Sent: Friday, January 09, 2015 2:55 PM
To: Barrella, Donald; Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Please save skyline

-----Original Message-----

From: Sally Buchanan [<mailto:bskj123@icloud.com>]
Sent: Friday, January 09, 2015 2:42 PM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Please save skyline

My family and I have enjoyed the park weekly for over 15 years now. Sayer's proposal would ruin the entire experience

Sally Buchanan
463 Adams street

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From: Matt Pope <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2015 7:11 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar's expansion

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jane Friedman <janef11@hotmail.com>
Date: January 10, 2015 at 5:46:58 PM PST
To: "matt pope384@gmail.com" <matt pope384@gmail.com>
Subject: Syar's expansion

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Thank you,

Jane Friedman

Strande, Hannah

From: Matt Pope <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2015 7:11 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Objection to increased quarrying

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: lynnehooley@yahoo.com
Date: January 10, 2015 at 3:19:40 PM PST
To: "mattpoppe384@gmail.com" <mattpoppe384@gmail.com>
Subject: **Objection to increased quarrying**

Dear Commissioners of the City of Napa,
As a resident of the Alta Heights neighborhood of Napa, I am vehemently opposed to the proposal to increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. Please present my opposition to this plan at the hearing this Wednesday.

Thank you,
Lynne Hooley
1406 East Ave, Napa

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Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2015 7:11 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: Fwd: Syar/Skyline park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <enrique@encantovineyards.com>
Date: January 9, 2015 at 7:12:12 PM PST
To: matt pope384@gmail.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com
Cc: tkscottco@aol.com
Subject: Syar/Skyline park

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Thank you

Enrique Lopez

Strande, Hannah

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2015 1:20 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

From: Jeni Olsen [<mailto:jeni@jeniolsendesign.com>]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2015 2:02 PM
To: donald.barella@countyofnapa.org; mattpope384@gmail.com; tkscottco@aol.com; napacommissioner@yahoo.com; McDowell, John; heather@vinehillranch.com
Subject: Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of Napa,

I am an avid hiker and frequent Skyline Park often with my friends and family. I am opposed to the increase in quarrying in and around Skyline. Please protect our accessible and recreational wilderness from the severe destruction that the mining expansion will cause.

Thank you,

Jeni Olsen

18 Riverton Ct.

Napa CA 94558

707-479-1734

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Jeni Olsen

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From: McDowell, John
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2015 1:21 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Skyline Wilderness Park

From: Benita Duncan [<mailto:benitad@sbcglobal.net>]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2015 12:25 PM
To: donald.barella@countyofnapa.org; mattpope384@gmail.com; tkscottco@aol.com; napacommissioner@yahoo.com; McDowell, John; heather@vinehillranch.com
Subject: Skyline Wilderness Park

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Thanks you,
Benita Duncan
218 E. Berna Avenue
Napa, CA 94559

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To: Donald Barrella
 Napa County Department of Planning, Building & Environmental Services
 Engineering and Conservation Division
 1195 Third St. #210
 Napa CA 94559

January 13, 2015

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Napa County Planning, Building
 & Environmental Services

From: Patrick K. Gilleran- Napa Resident
 2164 Patton Ave
 Napa, CA 94559

Subject: Syar Napa Quarry Final EIR and Surface Mining Permit-Fugitive Dust Mitigation FEIR

Donald,

I wanted to touch base with you; I made a public comment January 7, 2014 addressing the fugitive dust mitigation language in the EIR as not being forward thinking and does not address the potential impact to the Napa resident downwind of the quarrying operation.

First I would like to give you some of my background; I'm a retired engineer who worked for the Judicial Council of California, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), Office of Court Construction Management. The Judicial Council is the policymaking body of the California courts, the largest court system in the nation.

Senate Bill 1407 made way for the transferring of 532 facilities from county control to the AOC. This was a radical change for the AOC, there were no policies or procedures dealing with facility management, every aspect of facility management in the organization had to be developed.

I had a number of opportunities to work on air quality issues as a Regional Engineer and then as the Senior Engineer for the AOC. I was tasked with developing AOC documentation to support regulatory compliance in a number of areas, one of which was ozone depleting substances/ refrigerant management plan which would cover the entire state.

The California Air Resources Board has oversight of the 35 quality management districts however each district can impose additional requirements exceeding the federal requirements or the Air Resources Board requirements. While researching the requirements for the 35 different districts, I found the most robust regulatory requirements from the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). Based upon the SCAQMD requirements I developed a refrigerant management plan, it was the best available management practice available.

I sought this path for the AOC's because it was the right thing to do; to exceed the regulatory requirements of the other 34 districts. This would insure that the AOC was doing everything possible to decrease the impact of ozone depleting substances and protect the environment. The AOC leadership looking to the future approved the plan I submitted. The plan did cost more to implement however it was the right thing to do to protect the citizens of California and the environment.

Quality of the EIR

I've worked with Winzler and Kelly (W&K) a number of times during my 38 years in public service. I have not been impressed with their work; W&K always appeared to be the lowest bid but not always the best value.

With regard to air quality, how can W&K suggest that one sampling / monitoring point for air quality is representative sampling and there will be no impact to residents downwind of the quarry operation? One sample is not a representative sample. If an engineering student in college tried to submit an assumption as did W&K in a report, the student would not make the grade. It takes multiple samples to support a statement with such assurance otherwise the statement is conjecture.

Regarding wind in the valley the EIR states regarding wind: *"During the day, the prevailing winds flow up valley from the south about half of the time. A strong up valley wind frequently develops during warm summer afternoons, drawing air in from the San Pablo Bay. Daytime winds sometimes flow down valley from the north. During the evening, especially in the winter, down valley drainage often occurs. Wind speeds are generally low, with almost 50 percent of the winds less than 4 mph. Only 5 percent of the winds are between 16 and 18 mph, representing strong summertime up valley winds and winter storms."*

Despite this being a BAAQMD quote, this observation does not make sense, base upon the information from "Weatherspark" the wind is much more than 5% of the time. The chart below is based on the historical records from 1998 to 2012 from the weather station at the Napa County Airport. Over the past 14 years wind had exceeded the percentage noted in the FEIR on numerous occasions.

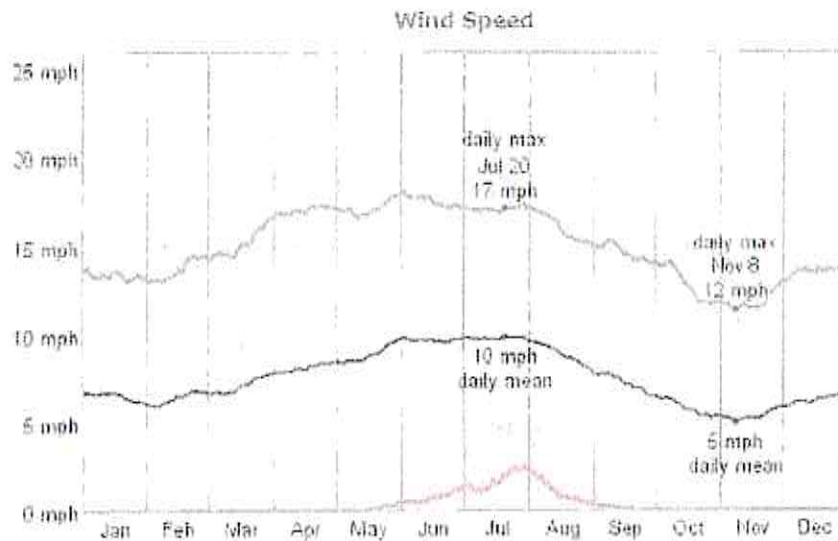
<https://weatherspark.com/about> :The data that powers WeatherSpark comes from several sources:
Weather.gov: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration serves up both historical data for the world and forecasts for the United States.
met.no: The Norwegian Meteorological Institute provides weather forecasts for the world.
World Weather Online: A for-fee weather forecasting service that offers a web API.

Wind

Over the course of the year typical wind speeds vary from 0 mph to 18 mph (calm to fresh breeze), rarely exceeding 23 mph (fresh breeze).

The highest average wind speed of 10 mph (gentle breeze) occurs around July 20, at which time the average daily maximum wind speed is 17 mph (moderate breeze).

The lowest average wind speed of 5 mph (light breeze) occurs around November 5, at which time the average daily maximum wind speed is 12 mph (gentle breeze).



The average daily minimum (red), maximum (green), and average (black) wind speeds with percentile bands (inner band from 10th to 75th percentile, outer band from 10th to 90th percentile).

The wind is most often out of the west (19% of the time), south west (15% of the time), and south (17% of the time). The wind is least often out of the north east (2% of the time), south east (4% of the time), and north west (4% of the time).

<https://weatherspark.com/averages/29638/Napa-California-United-States>

The EIR data does not take into account the effect of the wind velocity, turbulence and wind speedup effect associated with wind hitting the slope and terrain of the hill side. It should be noted the windiest months are during peak operational times of the quarry April-November. The FEIR mean wind speeds are not correct; the bottom line it is much windier in the hilly areas of the quarry than stated in the EIR, there is a greater opportunity for blowing fugitive dust.

What's next?

With that said the Syar "Finale" EIR fugitive dust control mitigation deserves more than six items noted in the present Syar EIR to protect the residents and sensitive receptors downwind of the quarry.

Attached are the Marin County's (8) pages of mitigation measures noted in the San Rafael quarry operations FEIR (see attachment see link below for the full FEIR), you will see Marin County has looked forward and placed safe guards to protect the residents and sensitive receptors downwind of the quarry.

I have not counted the number of pages that take into account the safe guarding of flora and fauna but they greatly exceed the few words that are in the EIR to protect the residents and sensitive receptors downwind of the quarry.


Please take the time to look at these links:

- Marin County's mitigation measures on the San Rafael quarry
<http://www.marincounty.org/~media/files/departments/ow/land-use/feir-response-to-comments-amendment.pdf>.
- SCAQMD Rule 403 <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-403.pdf?sfvrsn=4> and their Fugitive Dust Handbook the best available management practice
- SB 656 List of Air District Measures that Reduce Particulate Matter.
http://www.arb.ca.gov/pm/pmmmeasures/board_approved_list.pdf.

Please review the attached Lehigh Southwest Cement Company, "Fugitive Dust Control Plan" It is a great plan.

All of these items once reviewed will make a reasonable person see the mitigation measures are sub standard for the Syar expansion. The FEIR must address fugitive dust with the best available management practice it is the right thing to do for the residents of Napa.

Best Regards,



Patrick K. Gilleran

2.2 Master Responses

Master Response 101: PM2.5

Two comments (C-4, C-9) express concern with health effects of PM2.5 emissions (fine particulate matter with a diameter of 2.5 microns or less) from Quarry operations and reclamation grading. In addition, since the close of the comment period on the final EIR, the County's Health and Human Services agency has expressed concern regarding potential exposure of neighbors of the Quarry to elevated PM2.5 levels, in light of recent research on health effects of PM2.5 exposure. This master response reviews recent information on PM2.5 health effects, the regulatory standards for PM2.5 concentrations, PM2.5 concentrations in the vicinity of the Quarry, and the mitigation measures contained in the Final EIR that reduce PM2.5 emissions.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB), in collaboration with the Office of Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) established a new state PM2.5 standard in 2002, in which the annual average standard was lowered to $12 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (twelve micrograms per cubic meter; a microgram is one millionth of a gram). This standard is more stringent than the annual federal standard of $15 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (the federal 24-hour standard is $35 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$; the State does not have a 24-hour standard). In April 2006, CARB staff informed the Board that they planned to revise and improve the health impacts methodology by updating methods for evaluating changes in PM2.5 exposure and premature death. CARB acknowledged that new studies had appeared in the literature indicating that adverse health effects can occur at exposure levels lower than the State standard. In October, 2008, CARB published a report that reviews the latest information regarding exposure to PM2.5 and consequent health outcomes (CARB, 2008). In this report, the relationship of changes in health outcomes to different levels of PM2.5 exposure is examined, and recommendations are made for assessing health outcomes of PM2.5 exposure. The report, which was authored by 6 staff members of CARB, was peer reviewed by 13 scientists working in the field and located throughout the U.S.

In the CARB report, the relative risk of premature death associated with PM2.5 exposure is evaluated based on a review of all relevant scientific literature, and a new relative risk factor is developed. This new factor is a 10% increase in risk of premature death per $10 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ increase in exposure to PM2.5 concentrations (uncertainty interval: 3% to 20%). Using this new factor, CARB staff estimates that in the year 2005, PM2.5 as a component of diesel particulate matter emissions (DPM) contributed to 3,500 premature deaths statewide (uncertainty interval 1,000 to 6,400). Also, staff estimates that exposure to ambient PM2.5 concentrations above $5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ can be associated with about 18,000 premature deaths statewide annually, with uncertainty ranging from 5,600 to 32,000 deaths, based on 2004-2006 air quality data.

The 2008 CARB publication reports a linear relationship between mortality and long-term exposure to PM2.5 but acknowledges that definitive studies to establish a cut-off level below which adverse health effects would not occur would be difficult or impossible to conduct, since a very large and diverse population with high variation would have to be included, and they noted that there are very few observations of health outcomes from exposure to PM2.5 at low levels.

The reviewers recognized that selecting a cut-off level involves professional judgment due to limited empirical evidence in the low PM_{2.5} concentration range. The consensus of the peer review panel was that a cut-off level of 4 to 5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ was reasonable based on the lowest observed short-term levels associated with mortality. The report concludes that empirical evidence indicates that mortality can be associated with long-term exposure to PM_{2.5} levels as low as 6 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, and the consensus of the reviewers was that effects are likely to occur down to the level of 4 to 5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. (The report also notes that the non-anthropogenic, i.e., natural, background level of PM_{2.5} in California is 2.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$.) Therefore, in consideration of the more recently published reports, and the outcome of the CARB independent peer review, the report recommends that a cut-off level of 5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ be established; below this level, adverse health effects are not expected to occur. To date, the State has not taken up the possible revision of the annual PM_{2.5} standard, which remains 12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$.

The County-sponsored study of ambient air quality downwind of the Quarry in 2004-2005 by Sonoma Technology, Inc. (STI) included monitoring of PM_{2.5} concentrations at the Via Montebello Pump site for a period of approximately 3 months (STI, 2005). The results of this monitoring effort found average concentrations at this location to be about 3 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ during the monitoring period. STI also monitored PM₁₀ concentrations over a 14-month period, including during the PM_{2.5} monitoring period, and found a good correlation between PM_{2.5} levels and PM₁₀ levels, with PM_{2.5} levels about one-third PM₁₀ levels. Using this correlation, STI estimated the annual concentration of PM_{2.5} at the Via Montebello Pump site to be between 5-6 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. Using the same methodology, the annual concentration at the Marin Bay Park monitoring site would be about 6 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. Note that the annual PM_{2.5} concentrations reported by CARB at greater Bay Area monitoring sites in 2004 ranged from 8.3 to 12.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (9 stations), and in 2005 from 7.6 to 11.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (eight stations).¹ The annual average PM_{2.5} levels at both of STI's monitoring sites therefore were below levels found at other monitoring stations around the Bay Area, below the State standard, and near the cut-off level below which no adverse health effects are expected.

Quarry operations and planned reclamation grading result in PM_{2.5} emissions as a component of dust emitted during blasting, transport and processing of rock, and other activities. PM_{2.5} is also a component of DPM emissions. Dispersion of PM_{2.5} emissions from the Quarry were not modeled as part of the Health Risk Assessment (HRA) conducted for the EIR. However, based on the modeling of PM₁₀ emissions and dispersion conducted for the Final EIR, it is possible to estimate PM_{2.5} concentrations at residential locations near the Quarry. Assuming that the fraction of PM₁₀ from fugitive dust that is PM_{2.5} is 30 percent², the maximum annual average concentration of PM_{2.5} from fugitive dust at a residential location near the Quarry would be about 1.29 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. In addition, DPM emissions from heavy duty trucks and diesel-powered mining equipment contribute to PM_{2.5} levels. Measurement of diesel exhaust has shown that nearly all of particle emissions from diesel exhaust are one micron or smaller in size (Ecopoint, 2002). If we assume that 100% of DPM emissions are PM_{2.5}, then the modeled maximum annual average DPM concentration of 0.026 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ would be added to the predicted concentration of

¹ California Air Resources Board, Select 8 Summary, www.arb.ca.gov/adam, accessed June 17, 2009.

² USEPA, AP-42, 11.19.2 Crushed Stone Processing and Pulverized Mineral Processing.

1.29 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ from fugitive dust to result in a total average annual PM_{2.5} concentration of 1.31 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. This is the maximum modeled concentration of PM_{2.5} at a residential location near the Quarry attributable to Quarry emissions, and should be considered a worst-case (high-end) estimate. It is very likely that actual dispersal of dust and DPM to the surrounding neighborhood results in lower concentrations of PM_{2.5}. These figures do not account for PM_{2.5} from other sources other than the Quarry, including other anthropogenic sources and natural sources.

The Quarry's existing permits include several requirements to reduce dust emissions. These are noted on page 4.2-13 of the Final EIR, and include the following:

Existing Particulate Control Measures (required by BAAQMD permit)

- Use of baghouses, scrubbers and pulse jets on applicable stationary sources;
- Throughput restrictions for crushers and screening equipment, conveyors and storage piles;
- Facility-wide particulate emission limitation of Ringelmann 0.5³;
- Watering of storage piles and roads;
- Particulate emissions restriction of 0.01 grains per cubic foot for primary crushers and screening equipment to be confirmed with source testing; and
- Maintenance of throughput records for crushers and screening equipment.

Dust Control Measures Required by County Surface Mining and Quarrying Permit

11: The Permittee shall employ such measures to keep the dust nuisance to a minimum and at the request of the Department of Public Works will water the working area to reduce the amount of dust when it is excessive.

The Final EIR also notes on page 4.2-13 the following:

An independent assessment of air quality permits and emissions at SRRQ was conducted for the County in August of 2005 (ST1, 2005). This assessment found that all applicable stationary sources on site were operating under BAAQMD permit. The study also concluded that BAAQMD inspectors had found the facility to be operating in compliance with its permits, with historical violations occurring in 1996 and 2004 as the result of non-permitted equipment installation and visual emissions in excess of standards, respectively. The assessment identified improvements to water spraying techniques as the appropriate method of further particulate matter emissions control.

In addition, numerous mitigation measures are specified in the final EIR to reduce fugitive dust and DPM emissions from Quarry operations and reclamation grading. These include the following:

³ A series of shaded illustrations used to measure the opacity of air pollution emissions, ranging from light grey through black; used to set and enforce emissions standards.

Dust Control Mitigation Measures Contained in the Final EIR

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1c: SRRQ already implements several measures to control dust. These will be continued under the project:

- *All trucks leaving the Quarry shall be washed down, including the undercarriage, prior to entering Point San Pedro Road (except trucks transporting asphalt). The wash down and adjoining areas shall be paved to minimize tracking of dust and dirt. Point San Pedro Road will be swept up to two times per day, except on rain days, when no sweeping will occur, subject to the approval of the City of San Rafael;*
- *The Quarry shall maintain all required erosion control measures and stormwater management plans, and shall keep current and comply with all permits required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board; and*
- *The Quarry shall maintain all dust abatement devices [such as baghouses on screening and crushing equipment] and shall keep current and comply with all permits required by the BAAQMD;*

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1d: The project sponsor shall be required to continue existing emission reduction practices, including use of alternative fuels, use of low-emission diesel equipment, and dust abatement measures.

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1e: The applicant shall implement additional dust abatement measures identified by BAAQMD as feasible dust control, during all reclamation grading activities:

- *Cover all trucks hauling soil, sand, and other loose materials as a part of reclamation activities, or require such trucks to maintain at least two feet of freeboard between the top of the material and top of truck;*
- *Pave, apply water at a minimum three times daily in dry weather, or apply non-toxic soil stabilizers on all unpaved access roads, parking areas, and staging areas at the Quarry;*
- *Sweep daily (with water sweepers) all paved access roads, parking areas, and staging areas at the Quarry;*
- *Hydroseed, apply non-toxic soil stabilizers, or water to inactive reclamation areas (previously graded areas inactive for ten days or more);*
- *Limit traffic speeds on unpaved roads to 15 miles per hour;*
- *Install sandbags or other erosion control measures to prevent silt runoff to public roadways;*
- *Replant vegetation in disturbed areas as soon as the growing seasons dictates;*
- *Install wind breaks or plant trees/vegetative wind breaks at the windward sides of the reclamation areas until such time as the vegetation is established;*

- *Suspend reclamation-related excavation and grading activities when wind (as instantaneous gusts) exceeds 25 miles per hour; and*
- *Limit the area subject to reclamation-related excavation, grading and other construction activity at any one time.*

Mitigation Measure P4.2-6b: *Implement Mitigation Measures R4.2-1d through R4.2-1j [see below] for ongoing quarrying operations as well as reclamation activities.*

DPM Reduction Mitigation Measures Contained in the Final EIR

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1a: *The project applicant has recently initiated the use of biodiesel fuel in all quarry rolling stock.... The most common blend, and that currently used at SRRQ, is a 20 percent biodiesel and 80 percent conventional diesel (B-20). B-20 will reduce particulate and CO emission by approximately 12 percent, and reduce hydrocarbon emissions by approximately 20 percent. Use of biodiesel may increase or decrease NOx emissions (McCormick et al, 2006).*

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1b: *SRRQ has already upgraded SRRQ's entire fleet of off-road diesel equipment to USEPA Tier 3 standards, ahead of regulatory requirements that at least 10 percent of the fleet be upgraded each year. SRRQ also plans to upgrade its tug boat fleet to Tier 2 standards prior to the end of 2008.*

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1d: *The project sponsor shall be required to continue existing emission reduction practices, including use of alternative fuels, use of low-emission diesel equipment, and dust abatement measures.*

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1f: *The project applicant shall keep all off-road equipment well-tuned and regularly serviced to minimize exhaust emissions, and shall establish a regular and frequent check-up and service/maintenance program for all operating equipment at the Quarry.*

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1g: *To further reduce emissions from off-road diesel equipment, the applicant shall fuel on-site diesel-powered mobile equipment used in reclamation activities with a minimum 80 percent biodiesel blend (B-80) or use other equipment and/or fuel that achieves the same reduction in particulate (PM10) and CO emissions.*

Mitigation Measure R4.2-1h: *Off-road diesel equipment operators shall be required to shut down their engines rather than idle for more than 5 minutes, unless such idling is necessary for proper operation of the vehicle.*

Mitigation Measure P4.2-6b: *Implement Mitigation Measures R4.2-1d through R4.2-1j for ongoing quarrying operations as well as reclamation activities.*

Mitigation Measure P4.6-6a: *The applicant proposes to limit daily truck traffic to 250 one-way trips per day (125 in and 125 out). This appears to be less than the daily average during the period 1980-1982 and within the baseline for Quarry operations.*

Mitigation Measure P4.6-6b: *Quarry operations shall be limited to the levels of intensity extant in 1982, at the time that the Quarry became a legal nonconforming use.*

Together, the above mitigation measures are expected to reduce emissions of dust, DPM, and PM_{2.5} substantially.

In conclusion, County-sponsored monitoring in 2004-2005 at residential sites downwind of the Quarry indicate relatively low levels of PM_{2.5} concentrations. Monitored levels are well below state standards, and near the cut-off level below which adverse health effects are not expected to occur. The contribution of the Quarry to PM_{2.5} concentrations in the surrounding neighborhoods is small. The Final EIR contains numerous mitigation measures to further reduce dust and DPM emissions, which will further reduce PM_{2.5} concentrations in the vicinity of the Quarry.

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**Subject: Lehigh Southwest Cement Company - Permanente Plant:
Fugitive Dust Control Plan**

To Whom It May Concern:

In agreement with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), the Fugitive Dust Control Plan (FDCP) at Lehigh Southwest Cement Company's Permanente Plant is designed to control fugitive dust emissions and their potential impacts on the environment and the surrounding community. The Plan consists of mitigation measures to control fugitive dust emissions generated by activities at the facility. The Plan outlines ways for preventing dust emissions, guidelines for training of employees, and procedures to be used during operations and maintenance activities.

This Plan does not address particulate or gaseous emissions from the kiln, cooler or other permitted point sources which are regulated under the plant's operating permits. Additionally, the plan is meant to work in conjunction with the Plant's *Operations and Maintenance Plan* (O&M Plan) per the *National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants* (NESHAPs) requirements, the *Continuous Assurance Monitoring* (CAM) requirements, and current operating permit's regulations and requirements. The FDCP addresses fugitive dust emissions from material handling equipment and operations, non-point sources and area sources.

Please contact me with any questions or comments regarding this FDCP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Wesseling", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Control Plan

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Fugitive Dust Control Plan

Introduction:

The Fugitive Dust Control Plan (FDCP) at the LEHIGH SOUTHWEST CEMENT COMPANY (Lehigh) – Permanente Plant consists of dust mitigation measures to control fugitive dust emission generated by activities at the facility and their potential impacts on the environment and the surrounding community. This plan does not address particulate or gaseous emissions from the kiln, clinker cooler, or other permitted point sources. The purpose of this plan is to establish and implement dust control measures to limit particulate emissions from material handling operations, non - point sources and area sources that may occur during operation and maintenance activities.

Preventing fugitive dust emissions is the prime objective. Some of the newest and most efficient pollution control equipment is being utilized at the Permanente Plant. This plan is intended to work in conjunction with Plant's *Operations and Maintenance Plan (O&M Plan)* per the *National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs)* requirements, the *Continuous Assurance Monitoring (CAM) Plan*, and current and future operating permit regulations and requirements

The FDCP is intended to provide guidelines for the implementation of control procedures and the creation of a training program at the cement plant, rock plant and quarries. The plan, upon acceptance by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) will further enable the facility to comply with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's visible emissions regulation and Public Nuisance Rule. The FDCP outlines techniques and practices for monitoring and preventing dust emissions, guidelines for employee training, and procedures that can be used during operations and maintenance activities.

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Background:

Site Location and Description:

Lehigh Southwest Cement Company's Permanente Plant is located on a 3600(+) acre parcel at 24001 Stevens Creek Blvd. in Cupertino, California (Figure 1). The property is located within an unincorporated foothill area of Santa Clara County, approximately 2 miles west of the City of Cupertino. The main access road to the facility is at the west end of Stevens Creek Boulevard. The nearest freeway is Interstate I-280, which lies approximately one mile to the north, or two miles from the main access gate by surface roads utilizing Foothill Boulevard.

The Portland cement manufacturing process at this site involves mining and processing of raw materials, raw material milling and kiln feed preparation, pyroprocessing, coal preparation, clinker cooling, and finish milling. Additionally, the site supplies the local market with commercial bulk and bagged Portland cement, and construction grade bulk aggregate materials. Local transportation of these materials, and incoming supply of fuel and raw materials utilized in the production of Portland cement, is predominately via bulk truck. Lehigh does not own or operate any of the bulk transportation trucks: these are owned and operated by the facility's customers or 3rd party independent contractors.

The facility area consists of gentle to steep terrain, and a series of ridges and valleys which build in elevation following a general east-west direction. Elevations range from about 500 to 2,000 feet above sea level. The prevailing climate conditions feature rainfall averaging between 20 – 25 inches annually, with the majority falling during the October – April wet season designation. Temperatures range from approximately 40 – 65 degrees Fahrenheit from November through April, and high 40's through high 80's during the remainder of the year. There is not a prevailing wind direction, and wind speeds rarely approach + 25mph except during winter wet weather conditions. The facility maintains a 10 meter metrological station on-site, sharing the data with BAAQMD. A wind rose pattern from 2008 indicates the site varied wind directions (Figure 3)

Site History:

The site's quarry has been in operation for over a century. A California State Geologist's report dated 1906 indicates that the quarry was in operation and producing limestone as early as 1903. In 1939, the quarry site and surrounding 1,300 acres were purchased by the Permanente Corporation, an enterprise headed by industrialist Henry J. Kaiser. The Permanente Corporation limestone mine and subsequent Portland cement facility supplied the major building supplies for the Shasta Dam. In the 1940s, the facility provided cement and limestone to support the U.S. Military effort in World War II.

After the war, the production levels for cement and aggregates remained and increased, and the Bay Area commercial and residential population swelled. The plant went through a major permitting and cement manufacturing modification from 1979 through 1982, utilizing high heat and energy efficient preheater / precalciner rotary kiln cooler process technology. Additionally, the use of dynamic separators on the raw finish grinding circuits, in addition to a minimization of mobile transportation of materials, makes this facility a leader in cement quality energy efficiency.

The Permanente facility is strategically located within the San Francisco Bay Area Market, supplying the majority of the area's cement supplied. Lehigh, the current operator, accounts for an estimated 65% of all cement used in the Santa Clara County, 55% of all cement used in the Bay Area, and 18% of all cement used in Northern California.

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SECTION I -- LOCAL AND STATE REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO FUGITIVE DUST

In 2008, during initial discussions with BAAQMD pursuant to Title V operating permit renewal, Lehigh agreed to define and implement a FDCP for the Permanente Plant. This plan addresses sources of fugitive dust, lists control measures and actions that will reduce or minimize fugitive dust, and implements an employee training program to recognize potential sources of and best management practices to avoid fugitive dust occurrences.

The Plan was designated and designed to supplement the facility's Federal requirements for a NESHAPs O&M Plan and additional CAM applicability. The FDCP addresses fugitive dust emissions associated with material handling equipment, non – point and area sources.

I. BAAQMD Rules and Regulations

Note: The following District Rules and Regulations are enforced for the facility regardless of CEQA lead agency or Board approved project CEQA control requirements.

REGULATION 1 – General Provisions and Definitions

1-301 Standard

Public Nuisance: No person shall discharge from any source whatsoever such quantities of air contaminants or other material which cause injury, detriment, nuisance or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or the public; or which endangers the comfort, repose, health or safety of any such persons or the public, or which causes, or has a natural tendency to cause, injury or damage to business or property. For purposes of this section, three or more violation notices validly issued in a 30 day period to a facility for public nuisance shall give rise to a rebuttable presumption that the violations resulted from negligent conduct.

REGULATION 6 - PARTICULATE MATTER - RULE 1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

6-1-100 GENERAL

6-1-101 Description: The purpose of this Regulation is to limit the quantity of particulate matter in the atmosphere through the establishment of limitations on emission rates, concentration, visible emissions and opacity.

6-1-110 Exemption, Temporary Sandblasting Operations: Temporary Sandblasting operations are exempt from the provisions of this Rule. Such operations are subject to the provisions of Regulation 12, Rule 4.

6-1-111 Exemption, Open Outdoor Fires: The limitations of this rule shall not apply to emissions arising from open outdoor fires.

6-1-200 DEFINITIONS

6-1-201 Exhaust Gas Volume: The volume of gases discharged from an operation; or an emission point.

6-1-202 Particulate Matter: Any material which is emitted as liquid or solid particles or gaseous material which becomes liquid or solid particles at the testing temperatures specified in the Manual of Procedures, excluding uncombined water.

6-1-203 Process Weight: The total weight of all material introduced into an operation, excluding liquids and gases used solely as fuels, air which is not consumed as a reactant, and combustion air.

6-1-204 Process Weight Rate: A rate established as follows:

204.1 For continuous or long-run steady-state operations, the total process weight for the entire period of continuous operation or for a typical portion thereof, divided by the number of hours of such period or portions thereof.

204.2 For cyclical or batch operations, the total process weight for a period which covers a complete operation or an integral number of cycles, divided by the hours of actual process operation during such period. Where the nature of any process or operation or the design of any equipment is such as to permit more than one interpretation of this section, that interpretation which results in the minimum value for allowable emission shall apply.

6-1-300 STANDARDS

6-1-301 Ringelmann No. 1 Limitation: Except as provided in Sections 6-1-303, 6-1-304 and 6-1-306, a person shall not emit from any source for a period or periods aggregating more than three minutes in any hour, a visible emission which is as dark or darker than No. 1 on the Ringelmann Chart, or of such opacity as to obscure an observer's view to an equivalent or greater degree.

6-1-302 Opacity Limitation: Except as provided in Sections 6-1-303, 6-1-304 and 6-1-306, a person shall not emit from any source for a period or periods aggregating more than three minutes in a any hour an emission equal to or greater than 20% opacity as

perceived by an opacity sensing device, where such device is required by District regulations.

Enforcement: The District has trained staff capable of performing a Visible Emissions Evaluation (VEE). VEE courses are offered to regulators and the regulated community (for a fee) at regular intervals by staff of the California Air Resources Board.

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II. State Laws

California Health and Safety Code

Section 41700. Except as otherwise provided in Section 41705, no person shall discharge from any source whatsoever such quantities of air contaminants or other material which cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or to the public, or which endanger the comfort, repose, health, or safety of any such persons or the public, or which cause, or have a natural tendency to cause, injury or damage to business or property.

Section 41701. Except as otherwise provided in Section 41704, or Article 2 (commencing with Section 41800) of this chapter other than Section 41812, or Article 2 (commencing with Section 42350) of Chapter 4, no person shall discharge into the atmosphere from any source whatsoever any air contaminant, other than uncombined water vapor, for a period or periods aggregating more than three minutes in any one hour which is: (a) As dark or darker in shade as that designated as No. 2 on the Ringelmann Chart, as published by the United States Bureau of Mines, or (b) Of such opacity as to obscure an observer's view to a degree equal to or greater than does smoke described in subdivision (a).

California Vehicle Code

Section 23114 requires: No vehicle shall transport any aggregate material upon a highway unless the material is covered. Exception 23114(e) (4): Vehicles transporting loads of aggregate materials shall not be required to cover their loads if the load, where it contacts the sides, front, and back of the cargo container area, remains six inches from the upper edge of the container area, and if the load does not extend, at its peak, above any part of the upper edge of the cargo container area. For purposes of this section, "aggregate material" means rock fragments, pebbles, sand, dirt, gravel, cobbles, crushed base, asphalt, and other similar materials.

SECTION II – Sources and Controls

I. Potential Sources of Emissions

Facility activities that have the potential to generate fugitive dust emissions include but are not limited to the following:

- **Material Stockpiles** – Stockpiles of delivered fuels and raw materials, of intermediate limestone and cementitious materials, overburden, and of finished aggregate materials may contribute to windborne dust emission.
- **Active Areas** – areas that are in process of being excavated or quarried, where soils or rock are being removed, or areas that are being graded for reclamation
- **Materials handling stationary equipment** – conveyor belts, transfer points, crushers, and material screens have the potential to emit fugitive dust.
- **Inactive Areas** – areas that have been excavated, where soils or rock have been removed, or areas that have been graded for reclamation.
- **Mobile equipment on paved and unpaved roads** – movement of personnel or material mining equipment on paved or unpaved roads has the potential to produce fugitive emissions.
- **Fine material transportation** – the loading / unloading and transportation of fine material via mobile equipment may cause fugitive emissions.
- **Track-out** – truck or other road accessible vehicles may carry dry or wet and mudding material outside the facility. This material may spill onto public roadways, causing fugitive dust emissions.
- **Maintenance activities** – accessing de-energized equipment for preventive maintenance activities may allow release of fine material into the atmosphere. This material may lead to wind borne fugitive dust emissions.
- **Housekeeping and materials cleanup** – fine material that may accumulate in, around and under moving machinery needs to be cleaned up. The actions used in the cleanup procedures, including: clearing, shoveling, loading into / out of transporting equipment, disposal or reuse, could lead to fugitive dust emissions

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SECTION II – Sources and Mitigations

II. Fugitive Dust Mitigation Control Measures

This section presents mitigation measures to control sources of fugitive dust.

1. Disturbed open areas and unpaved roads – Fugitive dust emissions from disturbed open areas and unpaved roads will be controlled with the following mitigation measures. Inactive areas are defined as areas not having vehicular traffic for more than 7 days.
 - a) Accessed open areas and unpaved roads shall be watered, as needed, to maintain adequate wetness.
 - b) At inactive areas, the exposed soils will be stabilized by the use of water, aggregate and / or approved non-toxic soil stabilizers.
 - c) At inactive areas, limit vehicular access to these designated areas through the use of signage and vehicular access barricades.
 - d) Reestablish ground covering on the disturbed area as soon as possible through use of aggregates, berms or permanent blockage in combination with hydroseeding or seeding and watering.
 - e) Use of aggregated material to control and stabilize soil in limited vehicular locations.
2. An operational water truck will be onsite at all times to prevent fugitive dust emissions.
 - a) Apply water to control dust frequently or as needed to prevent visible emissions and offsite dust impacts from all mining, aggregate and cement plant operations.
 - b) Water truck operations may be curtailed during wet and incumbent weather.
 - c) Plant will incorporate a daily District approved log of all water truck operations including date, time, locations and activities.
3. Active Storage Piles – Fugitive dust emissions from active storage piles will be controlled with the following mitigation measures. NOTE: material may be defined as “dry” with less than 5% moisture content. Fine material may be defined as “fine” if fugitive dust emission may occur from wind speeds in excess of 10 mph.
 - a) Fine, dry material will be covered and have wind breaks installed. This type of material is not available for water dust suppression due to negative quality association with water.
 - b) Water and/or soil stabilizers will be employed to reduce windblown dust fugitive emissions. Water may be supplied by mobile water truck operations and / or temporary / permanent water spray equipment.

- c) In areas around the storage piles, the soils will be stabilized by the use of water, aggregate and / or approved non-toxic soil stabilizers.
4. All transfer processes involving a free fall of any mined, purchased or manufactured materials – these operations / processes may involve material pile addition / reclamation utilizing fixed or mobile equipment. Examples are stockpiling from belt (tripper) conveyors, front end loading of materials to vehicular transport and bin transfer to vehicular transport. Fugitive dust emissions will be controlled with the following mitigation measures.
- a) Drop heights will be minimized when dropping any mined, purchased or manufactured materials. This is a practice for all front end loaders transferring materials for mobile transportation (quarry haul truck, transfer truck, bulk truck).
 - b) Incorporate wind breaks, enclosures, and area covers.
 - c) Installation of temporary or permanent water sprays systems.
 - d) For infrequent material transfer operations, water truck may be incorporated to increase material moisture content and / or suppress fugitive dust emission from transfer operation.
 - e) Hepa filter vacuum available for vacuuming of any spilled cement powder (fine material) during cement bulk loading operations into mobile equipment.
5. Track-out Prevention and Control
- a) Wheel and vehicle washers are installed where customer vehicles and/or equipment, if they traveled on unpaved roads, must pass prior to exit onto public paved streets.
 - b) Company vehicles and/or equipment shall be washed prior to each trip onto public paved streets.
 - c) Where customer vehicles and/or equipment do not travel on unpaved roads, an optional vehicle wash is installed and available.
 - These washers are located on-site near the guard gated entrance / exit at 24001 Stevens Creek Boulevard, Cupertino, CA 95014.
 - d) Any visible track-out on the paved roadway between the plant entrance and the facility boundary will be removed using a street sweeper on a daily basis.
6. Paved plant and public roads shall be swept frequently.
- a) 3rd party street sweeper utilization on Steven Creek and Foothill Boulevards on a weekly or more frequent basis as needed.
 - b) Material (cement, aggregate limestone, other) cleanup of all facility paved roads will be maintained using a facility-owned street sweeper.
 - Emphasis on plant entrance / exit and corridors and those areas frequently by vehicles that travel off site: bulk transfer trucks, employees, visitors.

7. Minimize, maintain and enforce vehicle traffic speeds on paved and unpaved roads, or any other location within the facility.
- a) Speed limit is a maximum of 15 mph at any and all facility locations.
 - b) Stevens Creek posted 25 mph truck speed limit posting on Stevens Creek Boulevard.
 - c) The facility has equipped and maintains video and photographic monitoring, and speed sensors. All visitors and employees must abide by the posted speed limits.
 - d) Provide appropriate training, onsite enforcement, and signage.
 - e) For customers or visitors who are deemed to be travelling in excess of posted speed limits, the following actions are taken in progressive order: 1) warning, 2) facility access limited, and then 3) facility access denial.
 - f) For employees who are deemed to be travelling in excess of posted speed limits, the following actions are taken in progressive order: 1) warning, 2) progressive discipline up to and including termination.
 - g) Contractors and subcontractors who are deemed to be travelling in excess of posted speed limits, the following actions are taken in progressive order: 1) warning, and then 2) site removal with access denial.
8. Quarries
- a) Blasting shall not occur if hourly averaged wind speeds are 25 mph or greater...
 - b) Quarried and graded materials shall be kept adequately wet to minimize airborne dust.
9. Material handling equipment – the facility employs a variety of dust mitigation techniques to prevent fugitive dust, such as spray bars on conveyors and shrouds on drop points.
- a) At the start of each shift or material handling equipment startup, the operators shall access the operational status of the water spray abatement equipment or confirm the materials are sufficiently wet as to not require water spray abatement and shall record these determinations in a District-approved log.
10. Housekeeping and material cleanup
- a) All housekeeping activities are to be performed so as to minimize fugitive dust emission.
 - b) Plant personnel will be trained on techniques and Best Management Practices (BMPs) to avoid fugitive dust emissions.

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SECTION III -- TRAINING

PURPOSE

Training of employees (company employees, contracted and subcontracted personnel) is an ongoing task. Employees frequently encounter new procedures and skill requirements. On some occasions, employees need to receive a refresher or reminder of proper procedures. Training will enhance each employee's job skills, especially those that involve safety and avoidance of dust emissions.

Training will deal with specific tasks/skills, addressing the specific problems associated with the job assigned to the employee, as opposed to the general approach taken in the sessions dealing with education. Education is attitude development. Training is skill development.

Many of the tasks that are outlined refer to the PM (Preventive Maintenance – Maintenance Work Order). Not all the tasks are listed in this program; however, many of the required checks and procedures are spelled out in the PM. A general outline is established which can be used on any selected task.

SCOPE

Training will point out specific pieces of equipment, operating procedures and activities which can cause dust emissions. It will outline steps to follow when considering a task which may create dust emissions. It will prescribe procedures to take when performing these tasks.

TASK/SKILL: Reporting a Dust Emission.

TAUGHT TO: All employees.

OBJECTIVE: The employee will take action when sighting a dust emission by contacting the Control Room Operator (CRO) and/or his/her supervisor or other management personnel.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Point out to the employee that when a dust source cannot be arrested or corrected by simple means, it should be reported as soon as possible. The report should be made to the Control Room where it will be logged. The employee may report the dust emission to his/her supervisor or any other management personnel who will see that it is recorded in CRO Operators Log.

A dust source should never be ignored. It should be reported, even if the employee thinks that someone else has reported the same source earlier.

The employee should be sure to provide the following information when reporting a dust emission:

- Location - Where, in the plant, the rock plant or the limestone quarry is the dust emission? Is it continuous or intermittent?
- Source - What piece of equipment is causing the emission? Can you name it? Use equipment numbers when possible, i.e. the 6-BC-13 Clinker Conveyor Belt at the south transfer point. This will help the Control Room Operator to select which department should be alerted. By doing so, the problem can be corrected as soon as possible.
- Suggestions - What is the problem? Have you tried to correct the problem? What type of maintenance/repair is required?

Remember, when reporting a dust emission contact the CRO, by radio or telephone, or the Shift Supervisor, and tell him the location of the emission, what piece of equipment is the source and what suggestions you have to stop the emission.

TASK/SKILL: Receiving Dust Emission Reports.

TAUGHT TO: Control Room Operators, Shift Supervisor, And Supervisory Staff.

OBJECTIVE: The Control Room Operator (CRO) who receives a dust emission report will record it in the Operators Log and will convey the information to the appropriate Department Supervisor and Shift Supervisor for the action needed to suppress the dust emission.

INSTRUCTIONS:

All employees should be made aware of the reporting procedure. It is as follows:

1. All fugitive dust emission events should be reported to the Control Room Operator (CRO) or a supervisor.
2. The Control Room Operator (CRO) or supervisor will contact the appropriate or assigned Department Supervisor responsible for the corrective actions. This should always include the Shift Supervisor.
3. The Control Room Operator (CRO) will make a notation in the Operators Log. It should include: the name of the person reporting; the time and location; and what action was taken. The Shift Supervisor or Department Supervisor will also make an entry into their

daily log, commenting on the origin and corrective action taken for each of the dust emissions reported.

4. The Quarry and Rock Plant Departments will report incidents to the Control Room Operator in addition to that department's supervisor.

TASK/SKILL: Initiating Appropriate Action for the Correction of Dust Emissions.

TAUGHT TO: Shift Supervisor, Quarry Supervisor, and Rock Plant Supervisor.

OBJECTIVE: The Supervisor will contact the appropriate Department Supervisor and request that the necessary action be taken to correct or arrest the dust source.

INSTRUCTIONS:

The Supervisor will convey the information provided by the person who made the initial report to the appropriate Department Supervisor. It may be necessary to contact more than one department. The Department Supervisor should then dispatch the personnel needed to correct the dust problem.

Thorough instruction should be given to the persons who will be responsible for correcting the dust problem. All precautions should be taken to insure that said action will not worsen the situation. If necessary, the equipment should be taken out-of-service and a work order prepared which would specify what actions are required to correct the problem.

TASK/SKILL: Examination of the Operator Logs.

TAUGHT TO: Environmental Department / Production Department.

OBJECTIVE: Environmental / Production Departments to review Operator Logs

INSTRUCTIONS:

The Environmental / Production Departments have the responsibility of acting as an advisor on specific dust control problems and will act to coordinate on extensive and follow-up procedures. The Environmental / Production Departments will utilize the Supervisor meetings for communication with various supervisors.

TASK/SKILL: Reporting an Upset-Breakdown to the District.

TAUGHT TO: Plant Manager, Rock Plant Supervisor, Quarry Supervisor, Control Room Supervisor, Shift Supervisor, and Environmental / Production Departments.

OBJECTIVE: Persons responsible for reporting upset-breakdown / deviations will do so subsequent to examination of dust emissions related to breakdown / deviation conditions.

INSTRUCTIONS:

The decision to report an upset breakdown / deviation will be made by the Environmental Department and / or Control Room Supervisor (during normal business hours, Monday – Friday) or the Shift Supervisor (when the Control Room Supervisor / Environmental Department are not at the plant). The Quarry Supervisor and Rock Plant Supervisor will contact the Environmental Department / Control Room Supervisor or Shift Supervisor if a breakdown / deviation occurs in their department. If any employee has a question about an occurrence, he or she should contact the appropriate supervisor. Because upset breakdown / deviation conditions must be reported to the District in a timely manner, it is necessary to contact the appropriate person as soon as is reasonably possible after any such condition is observed.

TASK/SKILL: Abating a Point Source Emission - Emergency Shutdown.

TAUGHT TO: All Plant Personnel.

OBJECTIVE: The employee will take the necessary steps required to remove a piece of equipment emitting dust from service.

INSTRUCTIONS:

No piece of equipment should be removed from service without first consulting the Control Room Operator, Shift Supervisor and / or appropriate supervisor. A procedure for emergency shutdown has been outlined in the SOP for the Control Room Operator's. Failure to follow established shutdown procedures could cause emissions to occur or to become worse.

TASK/SKILL: Operating Mobile Equipment.

TAUGHT TO: All Plant Personnel.

OBJECTIVE: Employees will operate mobile equipment in a manner which will minimize fugitive dust emissions.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Operating a vehicle in an environment where fugitive dust can be created requires the operator to exercise special concern. It is the operator's responsibility (1) to operate the vehicle so as to minimize the amount of dust created by the vehicle; (2) to avoid areas laden with fugitive dust;

and (3) to report dust problems to the Control Room Operator or his/her supervisor, as outlined previously and the supervisor should call for the water truck to wet the area down.

TASK/SKILL: Transporting Fine Dry Materials.

TAUGHT TO: Mobile Equipment Operators.

OBJECTIVE: Mobile Equipment operators will exercise precaution while transporting fine materials.

INSTRUCTIONS:

When transporting fine, dry material that may contribute to or be a possible fugitive dust emission, operators must take special care to insure that excessive dust is not emitted from the vehicle or vessel containing the material being transported. When operating a haul truck check that the load is minimized, thereby reducing the chance that material spills may occur. Material spills spread out along the road may cause fugitive dust as a result of the subsequent vehicular traffic. Wet the load down if possible. Check that the dust abatement system on the belt conveyor unloading system is activated when raw, fuel and / or cementitious materials. Check that skirting and suppression systems are in place while loading the haul truck. Operate the haul truck at a slow-to-moderate speed to prevent airborne dust.

All mobile equipment operators should take precautions. When loads are laden with fine, dry material, the operator should travel at a speed that helps to reduce the generation of airborne dust to a minimum. When transporting bins or hoppers care should be taken to insure that the hopper or bins are not too full; when possible, wet the load down. When mobile equipment is used to transfer fin material, drop heights should be limited to minimize visible emissions.

TASK/SKILL: Housekeeping.

TAUGHT TO: All Plant Personnel.

OBJECTIVE: Employees will exercise a conscious effort to reduce fugitive dust in the work place.

INSTRUCTIONS:

The need for housekeeping is ever present so that material does not accumulate and become a problem. When cleaning up a work area after a job has been completed take time to stack the material so that it is out of the way. This will prevent material from being scattered and creating "tripping" hazards. However, be sure to place the material in a location that is accessible to the machinery and equipment used to finish the cleanup job. If, for example, a bobcat / skid steer front-end loader may be used to do the final material transportation, place the pile in an area

where it will not have to move it more than twice. When the material has been accumulated, have it picked up and disposed of as soon as possible. Scrap material piles have a tendency to collect dust and are soon a source of dust, instead of just a pile of “junk.”

It is important to have this material cleaned up as soon as possible. It is not acceptable to wash this material down with excessive amount of water. In accordance with our storm water requirements we must eliminate excessive runoff, erosion, and washing dust or settlements down the drains.

TASK/SKILL: Shoveling and Sweeping.

TAUGHT TO: Laborers, Process Utility, Packhouse, Quarry, and Rock Plant.

OBJECTIVE: Employees will exercise caution when shoveling or sweeping dust and dust-laden materials.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Inform the employee that moving dust while using a shovel and broom requires care if the “fugitive dust” is to be kept at a minimum. The employee should not throw the dust from the shovel into a container or onto a lower work level; nor should the employee sweep so briskly that it creates airborne dust. Care in shoveling and sweeping can reduce a substantial amount of dust. After material has been accumulated into piles, it should be picked up as soon as possible. Material piles should not be left in the walkways and driveways where it can be scattered by passing pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Material/dust spills in high places should never be tossed over the side. Containers should be used to lower the material or the vactor or sweeper should be utilized. To help eliminate material from entering the drains, please run the vactor or sweeper before utilizing the water truck.

TASK/SKILL: Preventive Maintenance (PM) Inspection/Service.

TAUGHT TO: All Plant Personnel.

OBJECTIVE: Employees who perform PM inspections and/or servicing will use the procedures outlined on the PM Task Sheet and in the “EMPLOYEE AWARENESS PROGRAM,” Section III - Training, **TASK/SKILL:** Equipment Maintenance.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Each piece of dust control equipment or material transport equipment is potentially a dust source. When such pieces of equipment are inspected or serviced they should be examined for dust emissions. The schedule for examining the equipment is noted on the PM Task Sheet sent out each week. There is a procedure outlined on the Standard Description attached to the PM Task Cover Sheet. The employee performing the inspection or service should review the procedure. Should a point source or fugitive dust problem exist, it should be reported, as outlined previously, and noted on the PM Task Cover Sheet.

TASK/SKILL: Equipment Maintenance.

TAUGHT TO: Dust Collector Personnel, Belt Person, Instrumentation, Electricians, Welders, Mechanics, Machinists, and Repair Personnel.

OBJECTIVE: Employees will take into consideration those aspects of the task that could cause “dust emissions.”

INSTRUCTIONS:

When performing routine service or periodic or scheduled repair, one of the employees' responsibilities is to prevent fugitive dust. Before beginning any job an employee should, after taking into consideration all safety requirements and material needs, look at the task and determine if there is a dust source. If there is a possibility that dust may be generated, the employee should ask, “What precautions can be taken?” Each of the following tasks is a dust source. Take the appropriate actions to prevent “fugitive dust.”

Elevator Inspection/Service -

1. Check that unit is locked out or in local mode, depending on the service being performed.
2. Check that the elevator is empty before opening any access doors.
3. Clean any material buildup from around doors. Use care not to create fugitive dust. Use a vactor if available.
4. Do not operate elevator at a rapid rate without doors in place. Use the jog button only.
5. When securing doors, check that they seal well. Use sealing material, such as silicone, to obtain a good seal.
6. Start equipment and check seal. Correct if needed.

Bin or Hopper Entry -

1. Check that the bin or hopper is empty before opening any doors or gates.
2. Clean any material buildup from around the doors and hoppers. Use a vactor if available.
3. Remove any material buildup near the door that will be used for bin entry. Use a vactor if available.
5. Wear appropriate respiratory equipment when entering bins and hoppers.

6. When securing doors check that they seal well. Use sealing material, such as felt, rubber, or silicone.
7. Start equipment and check for leaks.

Feed and Conveyor Screws -

1. Check that equipment is properly locked out.
2. Remove appropriate covers.
3. If possible, remove material from screw with vactor before pulling out the screw flight. If excessive spillage is expected, or if the material is hot and cannot be removed with a tractor, refer to the task - "Managing Dust During a Breakdown" and follow those procedures.
4. Make the necessary repairs.
5. Secure lids on the conveyor or feed screw. Do not leave lids off of the screws. Be sure to use proper sealing materials to insure a good seal on the lids or covers.

Airslides -

1. Check that the equipment is properly locked out.
2. Remove covers. Be certain that the area around the covers has been cleaned so that fugitive dust will not occur during repair of the device.
3. Remove the covers. Extract the material in the airslide by using the vactor if possible. If excessive spillage is expected, or if material is too hot to handle, refer to this task - "Managing Dust During a Breakdown."
4. Never blow an airslide out with a compressed airline. This would also apply to any other piece of dust-conveying equipment.
5. Since many of the airslides in the plant are in high places, take care not to allow the dust to cascade over the floor deck or through the grated floor plates.
6. Perform repairs.
7. Secure lids or covers. Use proper sealing material.

Bins, Hoppers, Pneumatic Transport Lines -

1. Shut down conveying equipment if possible. If line can be taken out-of-service, perform complete repair or replacement. If a line cannot be taken out-of-service, place a patch over the hole and secure it in place using duct tape.
2. Repair the damaged line or replace it with a new one. Take care to empty the line before replacing.
3. Secure the line in place, insuring that proper gaskets and seals are used at each joint if required.
4. Place the line into service and check for leaks.

Managing Dust During a Breakdown –

Since breakdowns are unplanned events, it is quite possible that the dust conveying system, whether it be a drag chain, elevator, screw, airslide, belt, chute or pneumatic transport line, could be filled with material when a breakdown occurs. In some instances, this material is extremely hot. Failure to take immediate action could result in extensive damage or create a hazardous

situation. The prudent action at this time is to empty the conveying line. This does not relieve the employee of the responsibility to minimize the impact of the dust spill into the environment. Because each case is different, specific instructions cannot be given for every incident in advance. If it becomes necessary to empty a conveying system, the following actions should be taken:

1. Consider all options before taking action. The decision to empty a conveying system should be made after consultation with the Shift Supervisor and/or Production Manager. In cases where the decision is to be made by the Quarry Supervisor or Rock Plant Supervisor, the Environmental Department should be consulted prior to emptying any system or device. Immediate action should be taken to prevent equipment damage.
2. Minimize the impact on the environment by considering such items as:
 - Time of day. If the material can be emptied during day shift there is a larger workforce available to manage the spill.
 - The available equipment. It is always best to have equipment on hand that will be needed to clean the spill. In some cases, the water truck or vacator is all that may be required.
 - The size of the crew. The plant operates on a tight manpower basis. A skeleton crew may not be enough to manage a large spill. Consider calling out additional help.
3. Contain the spill. If possible, place the material in containers, such as a bin, a barrel or a bag. On large spill areas it may be necessary to construct a barrier or windbreak to keep the material within a designated space until a cleanup crew or a piece of cleanup equipment is available. Wet the fine material down with water, if possible, or cover small piles with plastic or other suitable material.
4. Monitor the activity. If emptying the conveying system constitutes an excessive emission it should be reported. Reference TASK/SKILL: Reporting an Upset-Breakdown to the District, outlined previously.

Material spills are undesirable. Good preventive maintenance will minimize the number of times breakdown spills will occur.

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SECTION IV -- OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

PURPOSE

An Operation and Maintenance Procedures outline is an essential part of an effective Dust Control Program. There are some specific tasks that require special handling, such as evacuation of material from bins or hoppers, purging transport lines, and bag and filter medium removal from dust collectors. Most of these tasks are performed on a regular basis. These tasks are outlined in the "PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR DUST CONTROL AT LEHIGH SOUTHWEST CEMENT COMPANY - PERMANENTE PLANT" Some other specific tasks are outlined in Section II - Training.

This section of the program is intended to provide general information for procedures involving possible dust emissions. Specific guidelines can be found in maintenance manuals and in Department SOP's.

SCOPE

This program is designed to provide a general outline or guide for dust control during operation and maintenance activities. The guidelines will include: methods of monitoring, provisions for detection of airborne dust, provisions for reporting and correcting dust emissions, and directions on how to clean up after a spill.

MONITORING -

During operations, equipment will be monitored on a regular basis. The frequency of the monitoring will be based on each piece of equipment's operating history. The information collected on the PM Notification is submitted to the Maintenance Department, which will input pertinent information into the PM work order system. Thus the history of each piece of equipment will be recorded.

DETECTION -

Detection of airborne dust is everyone's job. Dust sources can be classified as either "point source" or "fugitive dust" emissions. "Point source" emissions are emissions from a specific "point," such as a dust collector discharge duct. They may be the result of damaged or faulty equipment or carelessness in operation of said equipment. The key to minimizing point source emissions is early detection. Early detection will result from PM inspections, routine Departmental tours by operators and management and by observant employees performing their regular tasks.

“Fugitive dust” is defined, for the purpose of this program, as dust which has no specific “point source.” This type of dust usually is a result of wind blowing, vehicular or pedestrian traffic, malfunctioning dust collection equipment or poor/dirty work habits. Fugitive dust is difficult to control. There are, however, a number of ways to correct and prevent fugitive dust.

Once again, the key to controlling dust is detection. A detailed outline of the reporting procedures can be found in this program under Section II - Training, TASK/SKILL: Reporting a Dust Emission.

CORRECTION -

Point source and fugitive dust emissions are to be corrected as soon as possible. In some instances, shutting down a piece of equipment will be necessary; at other times, closing a hatch, sealing a hole or just sweeping up a pile of dust is all that is required for correction.

Equipment shutdown and procedures for sealing ports and doors are covered in Section II - Training, TASK/SKILL: Equipment Maintenance.

REPORTING -

It is necessary to report fugitive dust emissions resulting from maintenance and/or servicing activities. The same rules apply as shown in Section II - Training, TASK/SKILL: Reporting a Dust Emission.

CLEANUP -

Prompt cleanup after an operational spill or maintenance job is the first line of defense in preventing fugitive dust emissions. The second line of defense is containment. If an employee realizes that a certain amount of material will be spilled, that employee should take immediate steps to contain such a spill, thereby, reducing the manpower and equipment needed to perform the cleanup. This also prevents fugitive dust.

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Appendix: Figures

4. Regional Location Map
5. Vicinity Location
6. Wind Rose Diagram

Barrella, Donald

From: Milton Bosch <miltonbosch@comcast.net>
 Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 5:02 PM
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 Subject: Fwd: Syar asphalt processing/production expansion

To Napa County Commissioners and Staff,
 c/o Donald Barrella

Forwarded copy of letter sent to the recipients below.

Thank you,

Milton K.D. Bosch, MD

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Sent: Wed, 14 Jan 2015 00:54:34 -0000 (UTC)

Subject: Syar asphalt processing/production expansion

Dear Sirs,

I am writing you as a long time (26 year) resident of the City of Napa. My professional qualifications are 1) Chemist, and 2) Medical doctor, Board Certified in Internal Medicine and subspecialized in Addiction Medicine.

I strongly oppose Syar's request to expand their asphalt production/processing by 300,000 tons annually. For inexplicable reasons, toxic compounds released into the air by asphalt are rarely tested for, despite the emission fumes having known human carcinogens and toxins. These include PAH's (polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons such as those released when any carbon-containing substance is burned, such as tobacco, wood, charcoal, and neat - the best known of which is Benzo[a]pyrene), toluene, benzene (a substance known to cause leukemia), formaldehyde (a known human carcinogen), hexane (a known neurotoxin), and phenol.

If the Syar quarry was proposed as a new project in such close proximity to the City of Napa, it would be turned down with little or no debate.

This type of industrial activity in such close proximity to Napa residences and Napa State Hospital puts residents at risk of increased incidence of malignancies, respiratory illnesses, neurologic damage, depressed immune systems, and birth defects.

Rather than actual stack testing, the amounts of toxic compounds released by asphalt is done with mathematical formulas and computer models. These models estimate that the proposed asphalt production expansion of 300,000 tons annually releases approximately 150 tons of the above pollutants. Experts believe these models grossly underestimate the actual stack emissions and "fugitive" emissions. Fugitive emissions are those released as asphalt is moved by conveyor belt or stored in piles.

Asphalt is basically the heaviest fraction of petroleum...the gunk left behind after the more volatile substances have been boiled off. Crude petroleum contains many known carcinogens. Asphalt should actually be listed under California's Proposition 66 labelling law for any substances that might cause cancer or reproductive harm in humans.

I cannot overemphasize what danger this represents to our community, especially during the winter where high pressure systems prevent the air from mixing, and trigger Spare the Air days. We have tied last years record with 11 Spare the Air days this year. During these days, the concentrations experienced by nearby Napa residents would be substantially greater than similar days with wind or rain. I ask that you move to deny the Syar Quarry's request for expansion for the sake of the health of our community. It is a wonder we have tolerated Syar's presence so close to the hospital and residential housing for as many years as we have. It's an even greater wonder that Syar would expect this proposed expansion to be approved. You might as well just set up an apparatus to aerosolize 150 tons of a toxic mixture of PAHs, benzene, toluene, formaldehyde, hexane, and phenol directly into Napa's nearby neighborhoods, because the end result would be the same. It's like forcing people to smoke cigarettes, or directly breathe wood smoke, except that it is worse.

Actual stack emission tests would likely show that the 150 ton estimate is much lower than reality. This is a very serious issue. I cannot emphasize that enough. ¹⁸⁴

Sincerely,
Milton K.D. Bosch, MD
Napa, CA

Strande, Hannah

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Subject: Syar Expansion

Dear Commissioners,

I have submitted my comments regarding the Syar expansion and want to reiterate how opposed I am to it. Please do not approve this horrific project.

Kathy Wilson
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Subject: SKYLINE Park

*Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,
This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park.
The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs.
There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.
Skyline Park is enjoyed by MANY!*

Thank you,

Jennifer Boydston
(707) 252-6088 Phone/Fax

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Good afternoon Mrs. Phillips.

Below is the second email invitation I have sent to you, the first one was sent January 20th, in addition to our verbal invitation on January 14th. I have received no communication from you as yet. I do not want to junk up your emails or waste your time in sending you more invitations or any further communications.

Please respond and let me know of your wishes. I have not phoned you as during the January 14th meeting, it appeared you were all inundated by the phone calls and I felt emails were less invasive of your time. I will be more than happy to do as you wish.

Sincerely,
 Dorothy Glaros
 President Skyline Park

-----Original Message-----

From: Dorothy Glaros <dorothyglaros@aol.com>
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Subject: Good morning from Skyline Park

Good morning Mrs. Phillips.

I was speaking with Liz Moffitt last night at our Saddle Jackets meeting and she said some absolutely wonderful things about you. I mentioned that I hadn't heard from you and she said you were very busy and had children. It seems there are always more items than you can handle when you have children. We simply need to be able to be two people but I haven't figured out how to do that yet.

I just wanted to extend an invitation to you again to visit Skyline. I know you are not meeting until the 18th and at that time you may also decide to table the discussion to a future date. I intend the hike (to be started in a park vehicle to save time and your legs) to be very low key with just showing what will be affected. You could go up with just our Trail Master, John, and I could meet you in the parking lot afterward for maybe 10 minutes. I am not inviting anyone else on this unless one of your other commissioners wishes to go on the same date. In which case John would take one of you and I the other. I'm not sure if this eases your mind but I hope so.

Sincerely,
Dorothy

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Strande, Hannah

From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 12:04 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Syar Expansion

From: Terry Scott [<mailto:tkscottco@aol.com>]
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2015 4:09 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar Expansion

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Claudia Stevens <maebelle1@yahoo.com>
Date: January 15, 2015 at 11:18:21 AM PST
To: "donald.barella@countyofnapa.org"
 <donald.barella@countyofnapa.org>, "mattpope384@gmail.com"
 <mattpope384@gmail.com>, "tkscottco@aol.com"
 <tkscottco@aol.com>, "napacommissioner@yahoo.com"
 <napacommissioner@yahoo.com>, "John.McDowell@countyofnapa.org"
 <John.McDowell@countyofnapa.org>, "heather@vinehillranch.com"
 <heather@vinehillranch.com>
Subject: Syar Expansion
Reply-To: Claudia Stevens <maebelle1@yahoo.com>

Dear Commissioner,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity near Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched. The loss of the hill that now acts as a buffer to the surrounding neighborhood will cause noise and dust pollution which will have a negative impact on property values and quality of life to the citizens you represent.

Claudia Stevens
 6307 Wild Horse Valley Rd
 Napa, CA 94558

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From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:31 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

-----Original Message-----

From: McDowell, John
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 5:14 PM
To: Barrella, Donald; Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

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From: Laura McGinn [<mailto:swimfun60@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 5:03 PM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,

This note is to inform you of my vehement opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs. There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

I have lived in Napa since 1980 and have enjoyed the use of Skyline Park. It would be nice to preserve this beautiful area for generations to come.

Thank you,
Laura McGinn-Dougherty
192 Daisy Dr.
Napa, Ca. 94558

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From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:32 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Skyline Park

From: clove22@aol.com [<mailto:clove22@aol.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 12:41 PM
To: McDowell, John; Barrella, Donald; mattpope384@gmail.com; tkscottco@aol.com; napacommissioner@yahoo.com; heather@vinehillranch.com; Anne.Cottrell@lucene.com
Subject: Skyline Park

Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,

I am opposed to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of a few jobs.

There are many hills to quarry, but those few, pristine hills in our only extensive public hiking/recreational area should be left untouched.

Thank you,
Cindy Love
clove22@aol.com
cellph: 661-618-0346

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From: McDowell, John
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 5:17 PM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Syar Industries Expansion Letter
Attachments: SyarLetterPiazzola2.5.15.pdf

Don may have sent you this one already.

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Piazzola [<mailto:m.piazzola@earthlink.net>]
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 3:44 PM
To: McDowell, John
Subject: Fw: Syar Industries Expansion Letter

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>**From:** Michael Piazzola <m.piazzola@earthlink.net>
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napacommissioner@yahoo.com, fidd@comcast.net, tkscottco@aol.com, mattpope384@gmail.com
>**Subject:** Syar Industries Expansion Letter

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>Commissioners: I am a resident concerned about the expansion of Syar Industries. Thank you for your consideration.
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Strande, Hannah

From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 11:04 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: Syar Industries quarry expansion into Skyline Park

From: jsarrow s [<mailto:jsarrow@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 9:11 AM
To: Barrella, Donald; McDowell, John; napacommissioner@yahoo.com; mattpope384@gmail.com; heather@vinehillranch.com; Anne.Cottrell@lucene.com
Subject: Syar Industries quarry expansion into Skyline Park

Dear Mr. Barrella and Commissioners of the County of Napa,
This message is to inform you of my opposition to the increase in quarrying activity in and around Skyline Park. The list of potentially significant impacts to the environment outweighs any benefit to our community by way of the few jobs that this expansion *may* provide. As a resident on the City of Napa my family and I frequently visit and recreate (hike, ride bicycles, etc.) in Skyline Park. There are very few public open spaces in Napa County where a family, and *visitors*, can enjoy nature and Skyline Park is one of the most accessible and exceptional open space areas in Napa County. The City and County of Napa should be expanding open space in close proximity of the City of Napa, not reducing it. Syar has many other sites in which it can quarry aggregate including those in Sonoma, Solano and Yolo Counties, but the pristine hills in Skyline Park are the only extensive public hiking/recreational areas close to the City and should be left untouched.

I would like to request that this comment be read and recorded into the proposed Project record.

Respectfully,

Jeremy Sarrow
1760 Sycamore Street
Napa, CA
94559

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From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:47 AM
To: Frost, Melissa
Subject: FW: No permit for additional mining-Syar

From: Karen Olson [<mailto:miamiata@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:38 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: No permit for additional mining-Syar

Please deny the permit to Syar Industries to mine for rock and gravel in the South Napa site. We have so much particulate matter (dust) in our air already I could clean my house daily and still get more. My husband and several adult co-workers have developed breathing problems in the last few years and Napa is full of people with Asthma. The Smog in Napa has increased and was terrible these last few weeks. Every time we put more particulates into the air it causes Smog.

I also look out on the South Napa hills and love the view! I walk in Skyline Park and it brings my friends and I peace. Please deny the new permits.

I request that you read my comments into the record at the Feb. 18th meeting.

Sincerely long time Napa resident, Karen Olson, 1867 Seville Dr. Napa

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Subject: FW: Syar Industries Planning Meeting

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Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2015 4:08 PM
To: Barrella, Donald
Subject: Fwd: Syar Industries Planning Meeting

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tkscottco@aol.com, napacommissioner@yahoo.com,
John.McDowell@countyofnapa.org, heather@vinehillranch.com
Subject: Syar Industries Planning Meeting

Dear Commissioners of the County of Napa,

I am writing you this letter so that it can be entered as my comments at the February 18th meeting at 9 am regarding Syar Industries request for expansion of quarry operations in and around Skyline Park in Napa.

I am a homeowner in Napa. I was raised here and have been a homeowner here since 2008. I have been a member at Skyline Park since moving back here in 2008 and hike there on average 1-3 times per week.

Previous to this hearing for Syar Industries request for expansion I was actually unaware of the environmental and health impacts from the silica dust associated with operations. I am currently pregnant and use the park to keep healthy during my pregnancy and plan on using the park for birth recovery by hiking with my newborn. I am very concerned now about the potential toxic, carcinogenic exposure to myself, my developing fetus and to my child once born.

I am also concerned about the potential health impact on my family. I regularly hike with my father at the park and he has just finished treatment for cancer with unknown etiology that does not correlate with his lifestyle habits. I have to wonder if this chemical exposure has contributed already to his health in a negative way.

As a chiropractor and business owner with my office at 305 Post Street just off of Silverado Trail, within the wind trail of the park, I am concerned for myself and my clients. We must protect the air quality where we live for the best possible health for our citizens.

I will be quite saddened as well to lose access to hiking trails within the park, yet, I must say, my greatest concern is the health impact of this proposal and the lack of proper control over the silica dust release into the air/environment. I understand that if Syar owns land, they have a right to use it. They however do not have the right to use it in ways that will negatively impact others as evidenced by our county permitting processes.

Please heavily consider the impacts and whether or not the protection from exposure to dust will be absolutely sufficient to protect us as citizens of Napa. I will consider this expansion, if it goes through without absolute silica dust containment, to be a great health tragedy, and urge you not to wait for the future civil lawsuits from sick citizens to be what cancels a permit sometime in the future.

Thank you for your work and heavy consideration of this proposal. I believe our lives are at stake.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rhea Zimmerman Komarek

Chiropractor, Blossom Precision Chiropractic

707-257-1011 (Blossom Chiropractic & Assistant)

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From: Barrella, Donald
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:34 PM
To: Strande, Hannah
Subject: FW: Expressing my concern over proposed Syar expansion

From: gfg@ecogreengo.com [<mailto:gfg@ecogreengo.com>]
Sent: Sunday, February 01, 2015 9:16 PM
To: Barrella, Donald; Morrison, David
Cc: ridgetrailnorth@comcast.net; george@baykeeper.org; andrea@baykeeper.org; mpandone@att.net; phillblake@sbcglobal.net; carol@tuleyome.org
Subject: Expressing my concern over proposed Syar expansion

Dear Mr. Barrella -

I've perused the EIR and some of the documentation related to this project. And I've found a rapidly growing grass roots movement expressing their objection to Syar's expansion. While my inner libertarian wrestles with the idea of preventing a business from doing what they will with private property, the reality is that government regularly places limits on usage of private property when such usage would have adverse affects on neighbors and the broader community. In fact, I've always thought it was the obligation of government to weigh the benefits of economic growth against the need to protect public interests. If ever there were a public trust in Napa that needed protection, Skyline Wilderness Park is it. The economic interests in this case couldn't possibly outweigh the destruction of some of our last remaining natural habitat for flora, fauna and diverse wildlife, not to mention the public enjoyment of amazing hiking trails.

I'm neither a lawyer nor an expert in EIR's. I was pleased to see so many letters submitted from experts, articulating the many reasons why this quarry expansion would negatively impact Skyline and the environment. I was unfortunately appalled by what appeared to be the rubber stamp of the EIR, offering what seemed like flimsy rebuttals and inadequate "mitigation plans" to well-reasons arguments.

Scheduling the public hearing during the day during the middle of the week, when most citizens need to be at work, further promotes the *perception* that the planning commission isn't truly open to alternative points of view.

I sincerely hope that you give adequate weight to the growing body of concerned citizens, the myriad letters of concern from environmental experts and the potential litigation under the Clean Water Act. We have so little publicly accessible nature in Napa: areas where we can enjoy the wilderness without driving for hours. Please help us protect the slight remaining sliver of outdoor recreation.

Thanks,
 Georg Gerstenfeld
gfg@ecogreengo.com
 (415) 902-0314

<https://www.change.org/p/donald-barrella-petition-to-stop-rock-and-gravel-mining-expansion-impacting-skyline-wilderness-park>[change.org]

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Save-Skyline-Park-in-Napa/1522602814693992>[facebook.com]

[http://napavalleyregister.com/news/opinion/mailbag/everyone-should-be-concerned-about-quality-expansion/article_11904113-7b9d-5fb5-bffd-cf9c4814dcc9.html?comment_form=true%3Fcomment_form%3Dtrue\[napavalleyregister.com\]](http://napavalleyregister.com/news/opinion/mailbag/everyone-should-be-concerned-about-quality-expansion/article_11904113-7b9d-5fb5-bffd-cf9c4814dcc9.html?comment_form=true%3Fcomment_form%3Dtrue[napavalleyregister.com])

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