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From: Jesse-Rae Roesner <jesseraeroesner@yahoo.ca> Sent: Monday, July 11, 2022 3:26 PM Subject: Letter of Concern - Quarry

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to express my opposition to the quarry proposed being proposed adjacent to 664472 primarily due to the size of the operation in that location. The following are my concerns with a quarry to process up to 450,000 tonnes of aggregates.

- <u>Truck Traffic</u>: It is my understanding that the hours of operations will be Monday to Friday from 7 am to 9 pm. Based on this, it will take approximately 22,500 loads if using a triaxle which represents more than 86 trucks leaving the pit/day or more than 6/hour. Therefore, when you consider empty trucks arriving at the pit/quarry to load, there would be approximately 2 trucks arriving/leaving the site every 10 minutes. If using a tandem truck, it would take even more.
- <u>Noise Pollution</u>: the addition of that many vehicles to the area will result in a huge noise increase from engines, air brakes, gear changes, slamming of tailgates, back up alarms etc. In addition, there will be an increase in the noise pollution caused by the blasting, heavy equipment to move material within the quarry, crushing and conveying equipment.
- <u>Water Quality/Quantity</u>: I'm concerned with the number of blasts that will be required and the impact it will have on the ground water for wells in the area.

- <u>Air Pollution</u>: Blasting and processing the rock to aggregates produces a large amount of dust. The dust will be blown around as the aggregates are stockpiled in the quarry. As vehicles move around the quarry the dust is blown around. Wind easily spreads the dust from the quarry to the surrounding area. Also, loaded trucks move the dust down local roads.
- <u>Deterioration of the local roads:</u> Has a study been completed to determine if the existing roads can adequately handle the increase in truck volume? If the roads are not designed for the increased truck traffic, it will lead to increased deterioration of the roads.
- <u>Property Value</u>: MPAC generally will apply a reduction to property values based on the distance to a pit/quarry operation and the size of the operation is considered.

I support the construction/infrastructure industry and development of the area and have no concerns with the current operation that is approved for 20,000 tonnes per year. But an expansion of the pit/quarry to remove up to 450,000 tonnes of aggregate should be a concern for all local residence even if they are not in the immediate vicinity of the quarry operation.

In summary, I'm opposed to a quarry of this size in this location. Corbeil is a beautiful, natural area that has grown with people seeking this natural beauty. I think a quarry of this size detracts from this.

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