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From: Residents of South West Riverton, WY

Subj: Protesting 2M Construction's application for a small mining permit

Attn: Rick Chancellor

We are protesting the application of 2M construction for a small mining permit located in section 33, T1N, R4E, WRM, Fremont Co. WY; beginning operation May 2007 through 2017.

The most obvious environmental impact from aggregate, stone, and industrial mineral mine is degraded air quality, and associated health effects, resulting from airborne emissions from both stack and the disturbed areas at the mine.

Below is a partial list of the potential cumulative impacts from the development of a sand and gravel mine;

1. Dust and diesel fumes generated on the haul road to and from the mine.
2. Fugitive dust blowing from the uncovered dump trucks.
3. Fugitive dust from crusher operations.
4. Fugitive dust from piles of sand and gravel at the construction site.
5. Increased traffic with a concomitant increase in air pollution from more vehicles (highways and rural roads) and more disturbed land.
6. Public nuisance: The mine operation is emitting dust that disturbs neighbors. Nearby homes are covered with a fine layer of dust from the mine. If they were to operate at night they would make enough noise to disturb neighbors as far as a mile away. The combination of bright lights to aid night operations, loud noises from crushers and equipment would create a public nuisance for those people unfortunate enough to live near this operation.

A large majority of the people living in close proximity to the mine are senior citizens and already suffer from a myriad of health problems. There is a soccer field in close proximity to the mining operation that the entire city of Riverton utilizes for the children. The resultant air pollution from the mine, impacts the health and welfare of not just the neighborhood but the entire town.

Concerned neighborhood residents

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