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Re: Objection to Evans Construction Application for Small Mining Permit

Dear Administrator of Office of Land Quality Division,

This letter is to advise you of my <u>objection</u> to the Small Mining Permit, being applied for by Evans Construction for the mining of sand & gravel at the existing River Springs Gravel Pit located in Section 23, Township 41 North, Range 117 West, Teton County, Wyoming which is approximately ¼ mile north of the junction of Highways 22 and 390.

Since 1988, I have owned the property directly north of the existing River Springs Gravel Pit operated by Evans Construction. Twenty-one years ago, this land where the present River Springs Gravel operation is located was zoned residential and was not subject to a Special Use Permit.

In 1996 Teton County granted a Special Use Permit to River Springs for ten years and in 2007, Teton County renewed the Special Use Permit until December 1, 2011.

The subject property is allowed by the county to have a gravel processing operation until 2011. After 15 years of gravel operations on property that was zoned residential, allowing a Small Mining Permit with NO term limit is objectionable.

I object to allowing small mining in an area that is primarily residential.

Sincerely yours,

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