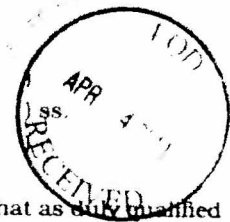


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Public Notice

The Owl Creek Gravel Products, LLC of Thermopolis, Wyoming has applied for a small mining permit from the Land Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality for the State of Wyoming. The mining permit area for the mining of gravel will be located in: Section 17, Township 43 North, Range 96 West, Hot Springs County, Wyoming. The proposed 61 acre mine permit area is approximately 10 miles northwest of Thermopolis, Wyoming adjacent to Jones Road. The proposed operation is scheduled to begin May 2011 and is estimated to continue until 2031. The land, after mining, will be returned to wildlife habitat and livestock grazing. Information regarding the proposed mining operation and reclamation procedures may be reviewed in the Office of the Land Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality in Cheyenne and Lander, Wyoming, the office of Owl Creek Gravel Products, LLC in Thermopolis, Wyoming, or the Hot Springs County Clerk's Office, Thermopolis Wyoming.

Upon request by an interested party, the Land Quality Division may schedule a public meeting to discuss the application. If such a meeting is scheduled, it must be prior to the date for the close of public comments. If concerns about the permit are not resolved by the Land Quality Division, written objections to the proposed mining operation must be received by the Administrator of the Land Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality, Herschler Building, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, WY 82002, before the close of business April 23, 2011. If an objection is submitted a public hearing shall be held within twenty (20) days after the final date for filing objections unless a different period is stipulated to by the parties. The Council or Director shall publish notice of the time, date and location of the hearing or conference in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality of the proposed operation once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks immediately prior to the hearing or conference. The hearing shall be conducted as a contested case in accordance with the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act (W.S. §16-3-101 through §16-3-115), and the right of judicial review shall be afforded as provided in that act. All parties as given in W.S. §35-11-406(j) will be mailed a copy of this notice. The Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission will be mailed a copy of the application mine plan map as required in W.S. §35-11-406(j).

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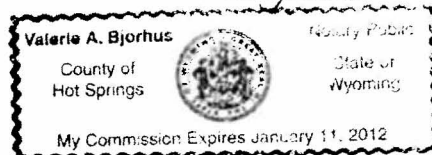
I, Joe Sovo, do solemnly swear that as duly qualified and appointed publisher of the Thermopolis Independent Record, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published once each week at Thermopolis, Hot Springs County, Wyoming, that the notice attached hereto and which is a part of this affidavit, was published in said newspaper for 2 consecutive weeks, the first publication having been made on the 24 day of March A.D. 2011, and the last publication on the 31 day of March A.D. 2011, and that said notice was published in the regular and entire issue of every number of the newspaper during the period and times of publication, and that the notice was published in the newspaper proper and not in a supplement.

*Joe Sovo*  
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Publisher

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 31 day of March 2011.

My commission expires on the 11 day of January 2012.

*Valerie A. Bjorhus*  
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