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Supervisor Jason Leifer
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RE: Negative Declaration and Notice of Complete Application
DEC ID # 7-5024-00047/00003 and /00011, Mine ID 70174
Modification and Renewal of Mined Land Reclamation Permit, Water Withdrawal Permit
Application, Bartlett-South-Dedrick Mine, T-Dryden, Tompkins County

Dear Supervisor Leifer:

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation is hereby notifying you of the complete application for the mining proposal referenced above. At this time, under Section 23-2711.3 of the Mined Land Reclamation Law, the Department is required to provide the Town with a formal request for comments regarding the following.

The chief administrative officer may make a determination, and notify the Department and applicant, in regard to:

- (i) appropriate setbacks from property boundaries or public thoroughfare rights-of-way,
- (ii) manmade or natural barriers designed to restrict access if needed, and, if affirmative, the type, length, height, and location thereof,
- (iii) the control of dust,
- (iv) hours of operation, and
- (v) whether mining is prohibited at that location. Any determination made by a local government hereunder shall be accompanied by supporting documentation justifying the particular determinations on an individual basis. The chief administrative officer must provide any determinations, notices, and supporting documents within thirty days after receipt for either a major or a minor project.

Enclosed, please find the **Notice of Complete Application** and Negative Declaration. The project is considered major under the Uniform Procedures Act (UPA). RMS Gravel proposes to consolidate three mines, which each have their own unique mine ID, under a single mine ID. The Bartlett, South, and Dedrick Mine, will be consolidated into a single facility henceforth known as the Bartlett-South-Dedrick Mine. The mine will also be expanded with the addition of 46.4-acres of new land added to the approved Life of Mine (LOM) boundary. Presently, the mine has a LOM of 214.2-acres, and the expansion will increase to the mine's LOM to 260.6-acres.



The SEQR documents that accompany this notice have a map which outlines the existing mine's boundary, and the proposed expansion area.

Additionally, the facility applied for a water withdrawal permit associated with a mineral wash plant. The water withdrawal permit will authorize a max daily withdrawal of 1,983,600 gallons per day.

Mining in the 46.4-acre expansion area will remain above the seasonal high-water table and will be reclaimed as graded vegetated fields. The mining permit will also be renewed for a 5-year term, and the water withdrawal permit will be issued for a ten-year term.

The mine is located on the north and south side of Mott Road, and on the east and west side of Hart Road, in the Town of Dryden, Tompkins County.

If the Department finds that the determinations made by the local government pursuant to the above listed items are reasonable and necessary, the Department shall incorporate these into the permit, if one is issued. If the Department does not agree that the determinations are justifiable, then the Department shall provide a written statement to the local government and the applicant, as to the reason or reasons why the whole or the part of any of the determination was not incorporated.

Comments must be submitted to my attention within 30 days of the date of this letter. If no response is received within 30 days, it will be assumed that you have no comments.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the address or telephone number below.

Sincerely,



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Enc. EAF parts 1,2,3
Water Withdrawal Application Material
MLR permit modification material