

TO: DANE COUNTY ZONING AND LAND REGULATION COMMITTEE

FROM: STEVEN H. FOLTZ ADDRESS: 4005 OLD STONE RD., OREGON, WI 53575

I am writing to express OPPOSITION to the CUP 2022-02582 petition for the NEW QUARRY for K & D Stone LLC on Center Rd. in the Town of Rutland.

K & D Stone DOES NOT MEET ALL OF THE 8 STANDARDS in obtaining a Conditional Use Permit for this property.

Standard 1: Health, safety, comfort and welfare of the surrounding community.

Comfort and Welfare: On a daily basis during the busy season, and most of the year, I listen to overloaded gravel trucks labor to climb the hill in front of my home. They return a few minutes later empty and fly down the hill well over the speed limit. Our roads will be damaged by over use by these heavy trucks at the expense of all Rutland residents.

Noise from the blasting, back-up beeping and grinding of stone we already experience will increase exponentially if the 36+ acre land is allowed to undergo more blasting, grinding and truck traffic.

Safety: As a rural area, we have no sidewalks. Walkers, runners and bicyclists are endangered from the truck traffic and this will increase as more trucks are loaded and return.

Standard 2: Uses, values and enjoyment of neighbors.

Enjoyment: We cannot enjoy our quiet, rural setting now, and 36+ more acres of industrial noise will make things worse.

As farmers started legally selling their splits for home building in the 1970s, '80s and '90s, this became more of a residential area with the Town Board's approval. The existing quarry was started when the area was mostly farms.

That is no longer the case. We have lived here since 1981 when the existing quarry was dormant and, we were assured, not anticipated to resume operation.

Standard 3: Impede normal and ordinary development.

Cemetery: If this new quarry is allowed, the cemetery at the corner of Old Stone Rd. and Old Stage Rd. could be irreparably damaged. If approved there is nothing to stop blasting and digging right up to the edge of the historic and currently used Graves Cemetery. This will deter future purchase of plots.

Standard 7: Is the CUP 2022-02582 CONSISTENT WITH TOWN AND COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANS?

Based upon the 8 standards set out, CUP 2022-02582 DOES NOT AND CANNOT MEET ALL OF THE 8 STANDARDS SET FORTH!