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I live in Madison - Dane County - and have become aware of issues involving the quarry in the town of Rutland. First and foremost I am sad to see such negativity towards a “necessary resource providing” business. I grew up in the Fond du Lac area, 7 miles out of town. There was a gravel pit at the end of our road, and trucks ran up and down every weekday. We were careful if the trucks and their drivers were considerate of us as well. No one was ever hurt and we accepted the occasional dust and noise, because - even as children - we had learned the value of “gravel” as a resource that we all benefited from (mainly road building and maintenance). I recall my father saying that country living brought country challenges along with the beauty and fresh air. It may be the occasional scent of manure spreading season, or snowy, blown roads in the winter... and yes, the occasional “noise” or “dirt” we crossed here and there. My point being only this: Community members and businesses need to allow for one another. If an environment is not to a citizens “standards” then perhaps they may wish to consider an alternative environment. The only place to get gravel is WHERE said gravel is available. I ask that those involved in this difficult situation, consider the fact that the quarry in question has proven, and continues to do so, that it is run appropriately and professionally. Anything beyond that seems downright petty to me. Thank you for your consideration. Nancy M Johnson, Madison, WI

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