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Subject: Quarry on Bonetti Road, Town of Dane



To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept and review the attached document.
I am sorry that I may have submitted an earlier document in error.

Thank you for your patience, understanding, time and consideration.

Barb Taylor
Bonetti Road Resident

Based on Standard Number One, will the land use be detrimental to or endanger the neighborhood health, safety, comfort, or general welfare? In other words, will the proposed land use fit into the neighborhood? To me, this Standard encompasses many of the eight standards in one way or another.

The site for Tri-County's proposed quarry is next to our home. This land was formerly owned by Donna Taylor, my mother-in-law. My husband and I have lived in our current home for almost 32 years and raised our family here. Prior to that, we lived in the home at 7841 Bonetti Road, which was once a tenant house on the farm owned by Donna Taylor. My husband grew up on that family farm with his 18 brothers and sisters. We are long-time residents of this road and the neighborhood. We know this road and the area all too well, and we readily recognize the dangers presented by Bonetti Road in its current status. Adding traffic and over usage will only serve to deteriorate this road further and at a faster pace.

Needless to say, we truly appreciate our current home as we are the only members of the Taylor Family to own a piece of the original Taylor Family Farm. But in addition to valuing our home, we value its surroundings, the vista. Trees, fields, and the valley below with the open sky above.

This vista equates to our tranquility that is so hard to find in our world today. We watch the crops being planted in the spring, nurtured in the summer, and harvested in the fall of the year while the ground rests peacefully during the winter season. Please consider how 15' berms would fit into the aesthetics of this area.

What about the vibrations from quarry operations, the dust, the health concerns (coughing, colds, eye problems, headaches, throat infections) the noise, the traffic, the stress, as well as the disruption of our lives if a quarry is allow to proceed.

What about the future of the wildlife in this area and the hunters (including my husband, son, and grandson) who venture through this area in search of the deer, squirrels etc...or the birdwatchers...this quarry would not only disrupt the lives of the people but many animals would also lose their habitat. No one is guaranteeing our safety.

We are concerned about the valuation of our homes. No one is going to pay current market value for a property 500' from a quarry—like ours. Based on the Erickcek's study of the economic impact of quarries, our property value could diminish by as much 20 – 30%.

We all know that materials are needed to maintain roads, but why should the residents on Bonetti Road and the neighbors' lives be compromised for the sake of the wealth of Joe and Diane Ripp and Tri-County Paving! What are we to gain by their careless business venture to open the earth as we know it, and rip out its contents over the next 20 years? (I would certainly hope that their request for a 75-year CUP would not pass!!!) Another question or concern is will this establish a precedent for additional quarries and pits in our township?

I ask that serious consideration be given to denying this conditional use permit as applied for by Tri-County Paving and Joe and Diane Ripp.

Please note that I do understand that we can't always win our battles, that we do not always get our way, that sometimes we are forced to make sacrifices for the good of society as a whole. While I know this, I must therefore prepare myself for the worst. IF this must come to pass, then there are concessions that also need to be considered:

Hours of Operation: This should absolutely be no earlier than 7:00 AM CST including warm up time. The operations should cease promptly at 5:00 PM CST including shut down time.

Fencing: A fence should be placed around the perimeter of the quarry, and it should be nothing less than a 10' chain-link fence to protect the neighborhood children.

Barriers: In addition to berms, a row of trees should be planted at the top of Bonetti Road Hill to promote privacy, as a wind block and to reduce noise. These trees should be NO less than 8' – 10' in height.

Traffic/Speed: Truck speed should be no more than 30 miles per hour as indicated by Tr-County-Paving; however, this needs to be monitored!!! Such protocol needs to be established, written, agreed upon, shared, and ENFORCED! No jake breaking!!!

Complaints/Concerns: IF there is a concern or a complaint, we have been told that we are to reach out directly to Tri-County Paving for prompt response and resolution. This needs to be in writing AND IF there is no response, what will the recourse be for the residents in the neighborhood of the quarry?

Pre-Inspections: IF the quarry should be approved, prior to beginning operation, all houses within a one-mile radius of the quarry (as the crow flies—so to speak) should be inspected by an independent party as hired by the Town of Dane. The property owners should be given a copy of that inspection. If a problem or if damage occurs, then a subsequent inspection should take place at Tri-County's expense. The results should then be compared to the original inspection. This comparison should be done by an independent party.