

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

RE: Docket No. 20091842-AIR

Aggregate Industries-WCR, Inc.

Request filed on Permit No. 83755

December 9, 2009

Dear Sirs:

I live in Mission Valley Estates off 1863 in New Braunfels, Texas. I have heard blasting almost daily for the past few years. Also, I have records of all the blasts reported to me by others in our subdivision. It is evident that the blasting continues to increase in frequency and in intensity. Much of the blasting is so strong that it shakes the house.

In addition, there is increased dust on our cars and even in the house. The dust is very hard on our bodies, especially those who have asthma (myself included) and breathing problems. A few years ago, the area around the facility was beautiful and green with little country roads winding through the countryside. The trees and roadside near the site are now covered with the yellow dust and the small country roads are filled with huge, speeding trucks that make it dangerous for the residents who have lived there all of their lives. Heavy train cars loaded with rock traveling right through the city also endanger the citizens daily.

People are not the only ones being affected. Another concern is for the birds which live in the area. The Golden Cheeked Warbler is endangered and it needs to be protected, not destroyed.

New Braunfels has always been a beautiful, historical city which draws tourists from around the country. The people who live here love our city and want to take care of it for our children. It is very hard to watch it be ruined by a company that has no concern other than the profit that they can make.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Patricia Baker

220 Mittman Circle

New Braunfels, Texas 78132

CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

2009 DEC 17 PM 3:54

TEXAS
COMMISSION
ON ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY