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Declaration of aggrievement

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To: jared.ebert@state.co.us

Colorado Division of Mining & Reclamation

Attn: Jared Ebert

RE: M-2017-036

Site Name: Knox Pit

Attached please find my Declaration of Aggrievement.
I will mail a signed copy tomorrow.

Thank you.

Ruth Wallick



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1. My name is Ruth Wallick, of 3000 and 2912 North Overland Trail, Laporte, CO. I am over 18 and of sound mind to make this declaration.
2. I am a member of No Laporte Gravel Corp. I am also a board member, and hold a position as advisor in the non-profit corporation.
3. I can see the Loveland Ready Mix property that is the subject of this permit application from the bridge between my properties. I also drive past it when I go into Ft. Collins.
4. I am aggrieved by the Loveland Ready Mix permit application and will be aggrieved if the project is allowed to move forward for the following reasons:
5. I will be able to see the mining activity when I go to town on 54 G. I am used to the calming sight of cows in the pasture. That sight will be transformed into an industrial zone.
6. Depending on the weather conditions, I will be impacted by the dust and pollution from the site. On some mornings I can even smell asphalt from the Martin Marietta plant on Taft Hill Road, which is further away.
7. Each property has a registered irrigation well. If the water level in the wells were to drop I might not be able to water my property. If the water table were to drop it could affect my trees. A higher water table, combined with intense summer storms, might result in an increased chance of flooding.
8. Mining on the property might upset the local herd of mule deer that travel along the Little Cache irrigation ditch, which is between my two properties, and the smaller ditch to the south of 2912. We also have Great Horned Owls that live in the area, and a variety of other large birds that might be affected.
9. I am absolutely certain I will be able to hear the mining activity. This summer I could hear the rock crushing between Taft Hill and Overland Trail, and this will be much closer. This is usually a peaceful community. I love being outside or on the porch in the morning, and the thought of so much noise so much closer is really disturbing to me. The noise from increased truck traffic will also negatively impact my quality of life.
10. I am very concerned about the reclamation plan. They plan to put finings and topsoil into the mined out pit and try to grow pasture grass. I am concerned that there will not be enough soil quality and depth to grow pasture. I am afraid it will end up full of weeds, with standing, stagnant water that will breed mosquitoes. I would like to see a reclamation plan that includes natural looking ponds surrounded by unmined pasture.
11. I am very concerned about safety issues caused by the increased heavy truck traffic on Hwy 54 G. I am worried that some of that traffic is going to end up going through the main intersection in Laporte, 54G & Overland Trail. This will create a serious hazard for those of us who regularly walk to the post office, grocery or hardware store. I worry about the safety of my friends and neighbors children, and the children on the school busses.

I swear the forgoing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed Ruth Wallick

Date 11-7-17