

Hitch Rack Ranch Quarry - Objection Letter

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Good Afternoon Ms. Eschberger,

Please see my objection letter attached to this email.

All I want for this Christmas and every Christmas after this is to have our wildlife and our neighborhood protected.

Thank you!

Georgia Dean



December 18, 2017

Ms. Amy Eschberger Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Permit M-2017-049 Objection Letter

Dear Ms. Eschberger,

This letter is in regards to Transit Mix Concrete Company's application to open a new quarry on Hitch Rack Ranch near Colorado Springs, Colorado.

My home is located at the east end of Little Turkey Creek Road. I object to this quarry proposal for the following reasons:

- It could affect our fragile wells, which get their water from fractures granite. Transit Mix has not been able to prove that they will minimize impact on our wells.
- It will terribly affect the local ecosystem and wildlife to live in and migrate through the area. Little Turkey Creek is a fragile but vibrant riparian corridor and the quarry will be located immediately adjacent and in the creek. Thus, it will destroy the whole south side of the corridor.
- I live close to the Little Turkey Creek and we will suffer the effects of noise large quantities of dust.
- It will create a tremendous amount of traffic on highway 115, which already has a lot of high-speed truck traffic. Including an intersection at an already dangerous curve in the highway.
- There are already three permitted quarries operating along Highway 115 that are able to provide construction materials. They are operating well below capacity due to lack of demand. They all also have massive reserves in place.

Transit Mix's proposal to open a quarry does not comply with El Paso County's Southwest Highway 115 Development Plan.

Thank for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Georgia Dean

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