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## Hitch Rack Ranch Quarry

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Ms. Amy Eschberger  
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Denver, CO 80203

Ms. Eschberger,

As a citizen of Douglas County, Colorado and as a son-in-law of residents just miles from this site, I very strongly object to Transit Mix Concrete Company's (TM's) application M2017-049 to establish a quarry on Hitch Rack Ranch.

My in-laws have been working hard toward building their dream home for 35 years. After all this time of hard work and searching, they purchased a property and will be moving into their home very shortly. Their home is within a few miles of this site. Establishing a quarry will be disruptive to the residents, to those who travel through the area including my family), and will increase traffic of heavy machinery on Highway 115 (therefore decrease safety on the road).

The application also fails to protect water resources, wildlife habitat and the easement rights of several property owners along Little Turkey Creek Road. When major disturbances like this occur it creates a trickledown effect that can be hazardous to wildlife pushing them out of their habitat causing unnatural migrations that could potentially lead to an increase in wildlife versus vehicle accidents which can be fatal for both sides. I strongly urge the Mine Land Reclamation Board (MLRB) to deny TM's application.

I request that both the Pre-hearing Conference and MLRB Hearing be conducted in Colorado Springs.

Sincerely,

Signed by: James W. Dykstra

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