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Comments: I oppose the proposed gravel pit location for the following concerns:

Commercial Traffic Impacts - The addition of several large noisy transport trucks daily will create excess noise, dust and other impacts on the surrounding neighborhood and beyond.

Dust - The processing of raw material (mining and crushing) will create significant amount of air pollutants that will have impacts on surrounding neighborhoods as well as wildlife.

Noise - Gravel pits generate noise, no matter how secluded their placement. This one will be no different. The noise generated by the mining equipment, haul trucks, and general operation will create disturbance for neighboring residences and disrupt wildlife in the area. The area winds, which shift in direction, will carry that sound some distance.

Recreation Concerns - Since the proposed project includes hiking and biking trails in the vicinity of the gravel pit; the disturbance caused by the pit's operations and transport trucks will greatly reduce the observation of wildlife in the area and will diminish the public's enjoyment.