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## MEMORANDUM

Date: June 6, 2012

To: **Planning Commission**

From: Gary Rudholm, Planning Commission Secretary *GR*

Re: **Recap of Planning Commission Meetings Regarding the  
Permanente Quarry Reclamation Plan Amendment and Environmental Impact  
Report, File 2250-13-66-10P(M1)-10EIR**

On May 11, 2012, the County of Santa Clara published the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Permanente Quarry Reclamation Plan Amendment (RPA) proposal. Following publication of the FEIR the Planning Commission held three meetings in May 2012.

On May 18, 2012, the Commission held a workshop where County staff discussed the FEIR and responded to questions. On May 24 and May 31, 2012, the Planning Commission held a public hearing where the Commission accepted testimony from members of the public and deliberated on the FEIR and proposed RPA.

On June 7, 2012, the Planning Commission will meet for a fourth time to continue deliberations on the proposed Reclamation Plan Amendment. A summary of the prior meetings and actions taken is provided below for the Planning Commission's reference.

### **Workshop on May 18, 2012:**

During a workshop on May 18, 2012, the Planning Commission received a staff presentation regarding major issues analyzed in the Final Environmental Impact Report and proposed Reclamation Plan Amendment, and asked technical questions of staff and County consultants.

### **Meeting and Public Hearing on May 24, 2012:**

During this meeting the Planning Commission received a presentation by staff and County retained consultants regarding the project proposal and the Final Environmental Impact Report. The Commission opened the public hearing, received a presentation by the project applicant, received comments from staff of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, and from members of the public. The Commission continued the public hearing to May 31, 2012.

### **Meeting and Public Hearing on May 31, 2012:**

During this meeting the Planning Commission continued to receive comments from the public as part of the public hearing. The Commission closed the public hearing and commenced deliberation on the Final Environmental Impact Report, the Mitigation Monitoring Program, and the Reclamation Plan Amendment.

The Planning Commission took the following actions:

- On a motion from Commissioner Vidovich, Seconded by Commissioner Bohan:
  - Made the required findings per the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), including adoption of a statement of overriding considerations, and
  - Certified the Environmental Impact Report.
- On a motion by Commissioner Vidovich, Seconded by Commissioner Ruiz:
  - Modified Condition #23 to require existing topographic data be included with submittal of the biennial aerial photograph of the quarry, and also for the operator to provide projected (future) topographic data, demonstrating how the topography will look two years later.
- On a motion by Commissioner Couture, Seconded by Commissioner Chiu:
  - Added paragraph (d) to Condition 8, to include text recommended by staff of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, and
  - Approved Conditions of Approval numbers 1 through 13.
- On a motion by Commissioner Schmidt, Seconded by Commissioner Chiu:
  - Continued the meeting to deliberate the project for a decision to June 7, 2012, at 10:00 AM.

### **Continued Meeting on June 7, 2012:**

The possible actions to be taken by the Planning Commission regarding the Permanente Quarry Reclamation Plan Amendment are the following:

1. Approve the Reclamation Plan Amendment (RPA), subject to the Conditions of Approval.
2. Adopt the proposed Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP)
3. Adopt a resolution certifying the Environmental Impact Report, making related findings, adopting the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and approving the amendment to the 1985 Relamation Plan, subject to conditions of approval, for Lehigh Southwest Cement Company Permanente Quarry.