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Land Quality Division
Department of Environmental Quality
Herschler Building, 122 West 25th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82002



Dear Sirs,

In response to your request for comments on an application for a small mining permit by Mullinax Concrete Service Co, Inc. at a location 11 miles west of Sheridan, Wyoming, the information presented in your notice suggests seriously inadequate specificity to the permit.

It is not appropriate that *any* permit be allowed to "continue until an unknown date." The mining operation is for a specific Gravel Quarry Permit Q-16-006 on those lands. Accordingly, your small mining permit must properly have specific language allowing it to "continue until the proposed mining is complete or until the original expiration date of approved Gravel Quarry Q-16-006, whichever shall occur first."

I had understood your purpose in part to be as guardians of the public interest. It seems to me that the public cannot receive any benefit from an open-ended permit, only the mining company.

Hopefully you can make the appropriate adjustment, which certainly does no harm to the mining operation. without further comment or input from me.

Respectfully,

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