

May 19, 2016

Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality
Land Quality Division
200 West 17th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82001

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing in comment and opposition to the RST Sand & Gravel mining permit here in Jackson, Wyoming. I have written to this department before, albeit in vein opposition to earlier RST applications, and have watched and been effected by the RST mining operation as a resident of the adjacent Melody Ranch subdivision for the past 8 years.

As the permit stands now I would hope and ask that the DEQ deny the applicant's expansion based on intended and publically stated use; ponds for property enhancement, which are an incongruent use within the scope of Mr. Seherr-Thoss historical, grandfathered and approved mining purposes. If Mr. Seherr-Thoss wants to build ponds that may be his right but that's an activity that I feel should (and does) require a separate permitting process, and an activity that would fall under the purview of Teton County. As such I would like to request a public hearing before the Environmental Quality Council.

Please note, I understand that Mr. Seherr-Thoss has his property rights, and I respect those as I'd want mine respected. That said I'd hope that his neighbors might have some rights too. If our property values, as well as scenic and wildlife values could be negatively effected by this expansion I think the least we can ask is that the applicant go through the proper steps in looking to develop his land.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael May". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "M".

Michael May
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