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SCH # 202110627

Project Title: Ward Lake Quarry Expansion Draft Subsequent EIR

Lead Agency: County of Lassen Contact Person: Cortney Flather
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City: Susanville Zip: 96130 County: Lassen

Project Location: County: Susanville City/Nearest Community: Litchfield
Cross Streets: Ward Lake Road / County Road A27 Zip Code: 96130
Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 40 ° 24 ' 52.1 " N / 120 ° 25 ' 2.07 " W Total Acres: 78.6
Assessor's Parcel No.: 109-100-059 & 109-100-060 Section: 32 Twp.: 30N Range: 14E Base: MDBM
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 395 Waterways: Susan River
Airports: NA Railways: NA Schools: None

Document Type:

CEQA: [] NOP [] Draft EIR NEPA: [] NOI Other: [] Joint Document
[] Early Cons [x] Supplement/Subsequent EIR [] EA [] Final Document
[] Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) 201802056 [] Draft EIS [] Other:
[] Mit Neg Dec Other:

Local Action Type:

[] General Plan Update [] Specific Plan [] Rezone [] Annexation
[] General Plan Amendment [] Master Plan [] Prezone [] Redevelopment
[] General Plan Element [] Planned Unit Development [x] Use Permit [] Coastal Permit
[] Community Plan [] Site Plan [] Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) [] Other:

Development Type:

[] Residential: Units Acres
[] Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [] Transportation: Type
[] Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [x] Mining: Mineral Basaltic Rock
[] Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [] Power: Type MW
[] Educational: [] Waste Treatment: Type MGD
[] Recreational: [] Hazardous Waste: Type
[] Water Facilities: Type MGD [] Other:

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

[x] Aesthetic/Visual [] Fiscal [x] Recreation/Parks [x] Vegetation
[x] Agricultural Land [x] Flood Plain/Flooding [] Schools/Universities [x] Water Quality
[x] Air Quality [x] Forest Land/Fire Hazard [x] Septic Systems [x] Water Supply/Groundwater
[x] Archeological/Historical [x] Geologic/Seismic [x] Sewer Capacity [x] Wetland/Riparian
[x] Biological Resources [x] Minerals [x] Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading [x] Growth Inducement
[] Coastal Zone [x] Noise [x] Solid Waste [x] Land Use
[x] Drainage/Absorption [x] Population/Housing Balance [x] Toxic/Hazardous [x] Cumulative Effects
[] Economic/Jobs [x] Public Services/Facilities [x] Traffic/Circulation [x] Other: GHG & Wildfire

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Current land use is mining and undeveloped land. General Plan: Extensive Agriculture; Zoning: Upland Conservation Resource

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed Use Permit and Reclamation Plan Amendment includes expansion of approximately 78.6 acres with an associated additional volume of 5,000,000 tons of material, extension of the life of the mine from 2030 to 2050, and increase in the maximum volume extracted per year from 100,000 tons to 200,000 tons. These amendments will allow the facility to continue to provide local construction materials in Lassen County.

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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date March 29, 2022 Ending Date May 12, 2022

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 3/29/22

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.



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NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF

DRAFT SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

TO: Responsible and Trustee Agencies
FROM: Maurice Anderson, Director
Lassen County Department of Planning and Building Services
SUBJECT: EIR #2021-001, Ward Lake Pit Amendment

The Lassen County Department of Planning and Building Services (County) has prepared a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (Draft SEIR) for the proposed Ward Lake Quarry Expansion Project (UP No. 2021-003 and RP No. 2021-001).

Project Location: The Ward Lake Quarry is located approximately three miles east of Ward Lake off of Ward Lake Road in Lassen County, approximately four miles east of the California Correctional Center (CCC). The community of Litchfield is located three miles to the southeast. The City of Susanville is located approximately 14 miles to the west. The quarry is located in Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 14 East, Mount Diablo Base Meridian (MDBM). The latitude and longitude at the center of the site are 40° 24' 52.12' and 120° 25' 2.07', respectively.

Project Description: Use Permit Amendment No. 2021-003 and Reclamation Plan Amendment No. 2021-001 address changes to the current operation within portions of APN 109-100-059 (historically, APN 109-100-040) and APN 109-100-060 (historically, APN 109-100-042). TNT Enterprises also owns APN 109-100-29, but no mining or other activities are proposed on this parcel. The proposed Use Permit and Reclamation Plan Amendment includes expansion of approximately 78.6 acres with an associated additional volume of 5,000,000 tons of material, extension of the life of the mine from 2030 to 2050, and increase in the maximum volume extracted per year from 100,000 tons to 200,000 tons. These amendments will allow the facility to continue to provide local construction materials in Lassen County.

Related Zoning and Uses: The proposed project site is located in Lassen County and within the area covered by the Standish-Litchfield Area Plan. The Standish-Litchfield planning area extends from the north shore of Honey Lake to the toe slopes of Shaffer Mountain. The portion of the project site currently used for mining and processing operations is zoned U-C-2 (Upland Conservation/Resource Management District). The two expansion parcels (APN 109-100-59 and APN 109-100-60) are designated as "Extensive Agriculture" by the Lassen County General Plan. APN 109-100-59 is zoned U-C-2 (Upland Conservation/Resource Management

District), and APN 109-100-60 is zoned U-C-A-P (Upland Conservation/Agricultural Preserve Combining District). No general plan or zone amendments are being requested.

Environmental Topics Evaluated: The Draft SEIR examines the potential impacts generated by the proposed project in relation to the potential of the project to have an impact on the environment.

Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement): The County of Lassen, as Lead Agency for the proposed project, has discretionary authority over the primary project proposal. To implement this project the following discretionary permits/approvals from other agencies will be required:

- California Department of Conservation, Division of Mine Reclamation
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Lahontan Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

A copy of the Draft SEIR is available for review at the Lassen County Department of Planning and Building Services, 707 Nevada Street, Suite 5, Susanville, California, 96130 from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excepting holidays. The DSEIR is also available on the Planning and Building Services webpage:

<http://www.lassencounty.org/dept/planning-and-building-services/environmental-documents-noticing-and-attachments>

The public comment period begins on March 29, 2022 and will end on May 12, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Written comments can be mailed to the attention of Cortney Flather, Lassen County, 707 Nevada Street, Suite 5, Susanville, California, 96130 or via email at cflather@co.lassen.ca.us

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Distribution: Supervisor Hammond (5); Perry Thompson (Applicant); VESTRA Resources (Consultant); Co. Assessor's Office; County Counsel; Co. Fire Warden/CAL FIRE; Co. Environmental Health Dept.; Co. Public Works/Road Div.; Lassen County Planning Commission; Lassen Co. Fish & Game Com.; CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife (Redding/Wendel); Caltrans; Lahontan RWQCB (email); Department of Water Resources (DWR); Division of Mine Reclamation; Natural Resources Agency; Office of Historic Preservation; Department of Parks and Recreation; California Highway Patrol; Air Resources Board; State Water Resources Control Board; Department of Toxic Substances Control; Div. of Oil, Gas & Geotherm. Res.; Native American Heritage Commission; State Lands Commission; Bureau of Land Management -Susanville; Pit River Tribe of California; Greenville Rancheria of Maidu Indians; Susanville Indian Rancheria; Honey Lake Maidu; Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California; Standish-Litchfield Fire Protection District; Co. Air Pollution Control Officer; Shaffer Elementary School