Agency Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

DATE: May 15, 2018

TO: Responsible/Trustee Agencies

PROJECT CASE NO./TITLE: Gilman Springs Mine (Surface Mining Permit No. 159, Revision No. 2)

PROJECT LOCATION: Northeast of the intersection of Gilman Springs Road at Bridge Street (Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 422-240-(007, 008), 423-240-(001, 018, 019, 020, 021, 022, 023, 024), and 424-190-(001, 002)).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed Project consists of an expansion to the existing aggregate mining site in areas permitted for mining by 54.4 acres, resulting in approximately 204.8 acres permitted for mining activities; and an increase mining reserves from approximately 14,842,574 tons to 44,000,000 tons, representing an increase of approximately 29,157,426 tons. The proposal also includes ultimately facilitating the operation of an Inert Debris Engineered Fill Operation (IDeFO) to the site’s reclamation; and to establish a revised reclamation plan in compliance with SMARA (Public Resources Code, § 2710 et seq.) and Chapter 5.48, Surface Mining Operations, of the Riverside County Code (Riverside County Code of Ordinances, 1995). Amending the Mine’s timing restrictions for mining activities within 300 feet of the Mine’s boundaries from between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday except holidays, to 24 hours per day, seven days a week including Sundays and federal holidays.

LEAD AGENCY:
Riverside County Planning Department
4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor
P.O. Box 1409
Riverside, CA 92502-1409
Attn: Dionne Harris, Urban Regional Planner II

PROJECT SPONSOR:
Applicant: Chandler Aggregates, Inc.
Address: P.O. Box 77850, Corona, CA 92877

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, notice is given to responsible and interested agencies, that the Riverside County Planning Department plans to oversee the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the above-described project. The purpose of this notice is to solicit guidance from your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the EIR. Information in that regard should be submitted to this office as soon as possible, but not later than thirty (30) days after receiving this notice.
Please send all written correspondence to:

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT
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A copy of the Environmental Assessment No. 42943, which identifies the issues to be studied in the draft EIR, is attached. If you have any questions please contact Dionne Harris, Urban Regional Planner II at (951) 955-6836.

Sincerely,

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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Dionne Harris, Urban Regional Planner II for Charisa Leach, Assistant TLMA Director