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Mr. Chuck Beatty, Planning Director Amador County Planning Department 810 Court Street Jackson, CA 95642 AMA-104-PM 2.145 lone Quarry NOP (Notice of Preparation of an EIR) SCH 2021090179

Dear Mr. Beatty,

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). This project proposes to expand the existing footprint and depth of lone Quarry to access additional rock reserves. This expansion requires an amended Conditional Use Permit and an amended Reclamation Plan. The project involves the following major components:

- 1) Extending the Use Permit expiration date from December 31, 2075, to December 31, 2175, at current annual production rates
- 2) Enlarging the quarry's total surface disturbance from +/-56 acres to +/-136 acres
- 3) Increasing the quarry's floor depth from +/-325 feet above sea to +/-280 feet below sea level
- 4) Expanding overburden storage stockpiles on-site from +/-34 acres to +/-86 acres and increase elevation from +/-350 feet above sea level to +/-560 feet above sea level.

The proposed quarry expansion is located on 1900 State Route (SR) 104 in lone, approximately 500 feet east of the intersection with Michigan Bar Road, and approximately two miles west of the City of lone.

The Assessor Parcel Numbers (APN) are 005-080-016-502 and 005-080-020-000.

Caltrans has the following comments:

As part of the transportation analysis, include potential impacts to SR 104.

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Caltrans suggests Amador County continue to coordinate and consult with Caltrans to identify and address potential cumulative transportation impacts from this project and other developments near this location. This will assist Caltrans in ensuring that traffic safety and quality standards are maintained for the traveling public on existing and future state transportation facilities.

Encroachment Permits

If any future project activities encroach into Caltrans Right-of-Way (ROW), the project proponent must submit an application for an Encroachment Permit to the Caltrans District 10 Encroachment Permit Office. Appropriate environmental studies must be submitted with this application. These studies will analyze potential impacts to any cultural sites, biological resources, hazardous waste locations, and/or other resources within Caltrans ROW at the project site(s). For more information, please visit the Caltrans Website at: https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/ep/applications

Please contact Paul Bauldry at (209) 670-9488 (email: paul.bauldry@dot.ca.gov) or me at (209) 483-7234 (email: Gregoria.Ponce@dot.ca.gov) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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