



March 26, 2024

Planning and Development Services
Region of Niagara
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way,
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ATTN: Sean Norman, PMP, MCIP, RPP
Senior Planner

Dear Sean:

**RE: Response to Comment Letter from Joint Agency Review Team (JART) December 21, 2023
Proposed Expansion of the Law Crushed Stone Quarry
Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA-22-0001)
Local Official Plan & Zoning By-law Amendment (OPA 04 & Z04/2022W)
Waterford Sand and Gravel Limited, Proposed Law Quarry Extension
Part Lot 6 & 7 and part of Road Allowance between Lot 5 & 6, Concession 2, Geographic
Township of Wainfleet, Region of Niagara**

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Members of the Law Quarry Extension Project Team have compiled a comprehensive response to the second round of Joint Agency Review Team (JART) comments circulated on December 21, 2023.

The Law Quarry Extension Project Team responses can be downloaded from the below link:

[Law Crushed Stone Quarry Extension - March 2024 JART Response Package](#)

The following table summarizes the responses and updated Reports included with this correspondence:

Table 1: Summary of March 2024 JART Responses

Discipline/Report	Summary of Response	Attachments
Planning Justification Report & ARA Summary Statement	All comments addressed.	none

Folder 1: Aggregate Resources Act Site Plans	Site Plan updated to address outstanding JART comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response letter from MHBC Planning, dated March 21, 2024 • Revised Law Quarry Extension ARA Site Plans, MHBC Planning, March 2024
Folder 2: Level 1 & 2 Water Study Report Comments	The additional information and figures have been compiled into an addendum Report.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supplemental Level 1 and 2 Water Study Report Proposed Law Quarry Extension, Feb 12, 2024
Folder 3: Natural Environment Report – Level 1 & 2 Assessment Comments	<p>An updated Natural Environment Report has been provided.</p> <p>The ARA Site Plan has been updated with new notes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add amphibian exclusion fencing along the north license boundary; • A SAR wildlife observation protocol for quarry staff; and, • Invasive species management requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riverstone Environmental Solutions, Natural Environment Report, Revised March 2024 • JART Response Table, Natural Environment Report Comments, Mach 21, 2024
Folder 4: Noise Impact Study Comments	Additional noise mitigation measures have been added to the Site Plan to address acoustics reflections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aeroustics Peer Review Response Letter, February 7, 2024
Folder 5: Air Quality Assessment Report	JART comments are addressed in the Feb 12, 2024 RWDI Response Letter and Table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RWDI Response Letter February 12, 2024 • RWDI Air Quality Assessment Report, updated February 7, 2024
Folder 6: Financial Impact Assessment and Economic Benefits Analysis Comments	Clarification provide regarding temporary construction employment and monitoring costs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colliers Response Letter January 31, 2024 • Revised Financial Impact Study, January 31, 2024
Folder 7: Blast Impact Analysis	All comments addressed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blast Impact Analysis Report & Appendices March 26, 2024 (No revisions to Report. Draft watermark removed and updated Site Plans included in Report).

In addition to the Technical Report responses summarized in Table 1, the following is an update on the status of a number of ongoing issues that the Project Team is working on resolving.

A. Biederman Road

Waterford is continuing to work with the Township of Wainfleet to finalize the purchase of Biederman Road.

B. Archaeological Clearances

We have been working closely with staff from MCM and MNRF to ensure the appropriate protection of archaeological sites within the proposed Law Quarry Extension License Boundary.

The MCM Clearance letter will be provided to the Township and Region when available.

C. ARA Licence Application

We are continuing to work with MNRF to address their Site Plan comments. MNRF has confirmed that they do not have any outstanding Natural Environment of Hydrogeology comments.

Next Steps:

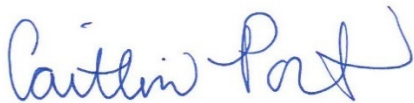
There have been no public comments received on this Application for a Quarry Extension.

We trust that this response will address the outstanding JART comments on the Law Crushed Stone Quarry Extension Application.

Please feel free to call if you would like to further discuss this comprehensive JART response package.

Yours truly,

MHBC



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