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December 7, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to express my concern about the possible quarry which Strack Excavating LLC wants to locate to the north of Saxony Lutheran School in Fruitland, Missouri.

I am within a 2-mile radius of this location. **I request that an informal public hearing** be held so that we can let our voices be heard. Potentially, the water we currently have could be affected as well as pollution from the mining. I also do not want the noise.

There are too many homes, businesses, schools, and daycares also close to this location. The whole community of Fruitland could be affected.

Please honor our request for the informal public hearing or forum.

Sincerely,

*Edward & Barbara Smith*  
425 Kaskaskia Lane  
Jackson, MO 63755

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To the Land Reclamation Board,

I am writing in opposition to the Strack Excavating application to operate a quarry in the Fruitland area. I own a farm near where this quarry is planned.

I have a well and am concerned about how the blasting and quarry activities would affect my only source of water.

My husband and I live on the farm. Our home is brick and I am concerned about blasting in the area and the damage to buildings and homes in the area. Property value is also a concern. This is a beautiful and quiet area.

Air quality is also a concern because of dust created by quarry operations.

The location of schools so near this proposed site is especially disturbing. The noise, large truck traffic and dust would be a problem. Please don't let this quarry operate at this location, surely they can find a better location than next to a school.

We respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues.

Sincerely,

*Mary Katherine Moonier*

Mary Katherine Moonier

*Richard L. Moonier*

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753 State Hwy. Y  
Jackson, MO 63755



## St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Land Reclamation Board  
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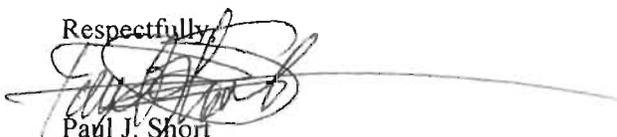
I am writing this letter to express my personal concerns regarding the establishment of the rock quarry proposed by Strack Excavating.

I frequently visit Saxony Lutheran High School as participating clergy for regular chapel services, and occasional visits and counseling. I have a health issue of asthma. I believe the work of the quarry will produce dust in the surrounding air which will not be conducive to my visits to the campus.

I think it is quite possible that some of the faculty, staff and students could have the same or similar upper respiratory conditions as I. Consequently, I respectfully urge your group to give serious consideration to NOT approving the quarry at this site because of the health concerns, not only for me, but for the other people at Saxony Lutheran High School.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,



Paul J. Short  
Senior Pastor

Paul J. Short,  
Senior Pastor

Mark D. Martin,  
Associate Pastor

James G. Hicks,  
Lay Minister

Emily E. Hornburg,  
DCE Youth Minister

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Jefferson City, MO 65102

Land Reclamation Board,

It has come to my attention that Strack Excavating has applied for a permit to operate a quarry very close to the campus of Saxony Lutheran High School. I am writing because I am most concerned about this situation and the impact a quarry would have on the ongoing livelihood of the school.

I am a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, one of the 25 churches who together form the ownership association for Saxony. My concern is about the future livelihood of the school should a quarry be granted a permit to operate so close to our grounds.

My congregation, and all congregations in the association, has a multi-million dollar investment in this school, an investment that was made for current and future students. However, I fear that the future of our school may be irreparably harmed by this proposed development. Right now we are a growing, vibrant school, but the perception of a school so close to a dusty, noisy industrial site like this one will most likely keep many students from choosing to attend Saxony. Once this happens, the growth stops and the long-term livelihood looks more bleak as each year passes and the quarry gets bigger and bigger.

Our school was located here long before this permit was applied for and so I believe we should have a chance to explain our case more fully before any decisions are final. I respectfully ask that you give Saxony Lutheran High School a hearing about this permit so that all areas of its potential impact can be discussed in public forum, openly and honestly.

Sincerely,



Kermit J. Meystedt  
PO Box 291  
Cape Girardeau MO 63702

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To the Land Reclamation Board:

I am writing to voice my opposition to the Strack Excavating quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. I live and drive through the area everyday, and this situation affects me directly. I have many concerns regarding this permit.

I have concerns about people with sensitive health issues because I know that fugitive dust cannot be completely controlled in every situation. I have grave concerns about how the extra irritants in the air will affect the health and daily quality of life of myself and everyone in the area, the students of North Elementary School and especially the students at Saxony Lutheran High School who will be in very close proximity to the quarry site.

Our roads are already very busy. Additional heavy industrial traffic mixed with young inexperienced student drivers is just asking for a disaster. It seems that this situation should warrant a study relative to the potential for accidents that will exist given the unique circumstances of 2 schools and daycares within a very close distance. I believe our children have a right to a safe, clean environment to learn and play in.

I live in Fruitland and depend on the Public Water Supply for my home. Fruitland is a densely populated area, and thousands depend on this water supply. There are numerous wells, some of which supply the public water system, within a close proximity to the proposed quarry location. I urge you to complete the proper studies to determine how this could possibly affect our water supply in the future, especially considering the unpredictable Karst topography we live in.

As a citizen with a right to protect my safety and health, I adamantly oppose this quarry. I respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues. I also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence can be presented to the Land Reclamation Board.

Sincerely,



Marilyn Lowes

9231 State Hwy W

Jackson, MO 63755

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Jennifer S. Johnson  
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Jackson, MO 63755

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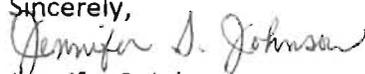
I am writing to request a public hearing on the quarry being proposed by Strack Excavating in Fruitland, MO. I have many concerns should this quarry be allowed to locate here. I have listed below several reasons I feel this quarry and any quarry be stopped.

First and foremost, to me personally, is the fact my youngest son is asthmatic. Ironically, he was admitted to the hospital in October due to a severe asthmatic episode. We have him on daily medication to control his symptoms, however, any irritant in the air can trigger an episode. We have provided our sons with a three acre yard in which to play. This was one of the reasons we decided to buy our home in Fruitland. The thought of the excessive amount of dust a quarry would produce should be a deterrent not only for my son, but also for the schools and daycares located so close to the proposed quarry site.

Our home is an old farm house which we are constantly updating. We recently spent \$6000.00 on a new septic system. We have replaced most of the windows in our home. Not only would a quarry be a hazard to the physical aspects of our home, but also to our water supply. We did vote "Yes" on the zoning issue ten years ago. This is a beautiful area in which to live. A quarry would change our community's way of life. Bottom line, this is a residential area first.

With an estimate of approximately 300 trucks daily coming to and from a quarry, the safety of our children living in Fruitland, and also the Saxony High School students who will have to share the road with these large trucks should also be considered. Again, Saxony High School and the homes located in Fruitland were here first.

There is little I can do except to express my feelings on this matter. Sacrificing our way of life in Fruitland is a huge price for us to pay for the business dealings of a few. I have been told Old Appleton has an existing quarry that would welcome this business. I feel Strack Excavating should investigate locations like this that already have a quarry with good rock available. I feel a public hearing is the best way for this situation to be resolved. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
  
Jennifer S. Johnson

**Zeaman, Bill**

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**From:** Larsen, Mike  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 21, 2010 11:28 AM  
**To:** Zeaman, Bill  
**Subject:** FW: Fruitland, MO quarry

Mike Larsen, Staff Director  
Land Reclamation Program  
Division of Environmental Quality  
Missouri Department of Natural Resources  
(573) 751-4041  
mike.larsen@dnr.mo.gov

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**From:** Stacia Shipman [mailto:staciashipman@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 21, 2010 10:20 AM  
**To:** Larsen, Mike  
**Subject:** Fruitland, MO quarry

*To the Missouri Land Reclamation Commission:*

*I am writing to request a public hearing on the quarry being proposed by Strack Excavating in Fruitland, Missouri. I am very concerned about the health and safety of the students of Saxony Lutheran High School and North Elementary should this quarry be allowed to locate so closely to the schools.*

*As it relates to health, several of our students have asthma and my research shows that quarry dust is extremely detrimental to children with this condition. This dust would pose a health risk not just for the children attending these schools, but for all of the students in our area who come to Saxony Lutheran and North Elementary to participate in softball games, baseball games, soccer games and cross country meets, area wide play days, summer camps and more.*

*I have small children and would like to not have them exposed to this type of pollution from the many trucks in and out each day as well as the dust. We also have many young drivers that go to Saxony Lutheran, but we also have a lot of young drivers attending other high schools in the area that will have to pass thru or near the work zone each day. Common sense suggests that mixing inexperienced drivers with this kind of heavy industrial traffic is a recipe for disaster.*

*I know that I am just one voice, there are many others that deserve to be heard. A public hearing is the best way to allow that to happen. Thank you for your consideration.*

*Sincerely,*

*Stacia Shipman  
382 Eli Dr.  
Jackson, MO 63755*

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12/21/2010

**Zeaman, Bill**

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 21, 2010 10:20 AM  
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Mike Larsen, Staff Director  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 21, 2010 10:18 AM  
**To:** Larsen, Mike  
**Subject:** Fruitland, MO quarry

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*Sincerely,*

*Michael Shipman*

*382 Eli Dr.*

*Jackson, MO 63755*

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

My husband Wayne and I have lived on County Rd#601 for 32 years near the Saxony High School. We feel as if our opinion about the quarry should be considered.

We have several big concerns one is the safety of health reasons, home foundations and our water supply. We are retirement age and if this is developed we will have more health issues than we have now. We are both cancer survivors and myself two occurrences.

We also have cattle and a water supply for them as well as ourselves.

Heavy traffic on this road which is only 3 miles from Hwy 61 to hwy W and the road is narrow and already has heavy traffic with the school being located on this road. The parents or students have to drive since they do not have buses. . are very honored to see the young students having soccer games, baseball games and even a track team, alot use this road to do their exerises on so there are a number issues why this quarry should not be on County Rd #601.

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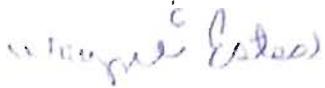
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Sincerely



Mary Lou Estes

Wayne E Estes



Mary Lou Estes

977 Co.Rd #601

Jackson MO 63755

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Mo. Dept. of Natural Resources  
Land Reclamation Board  
P.O. Box 176  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

To the Missouri Land Reclamation Commission:

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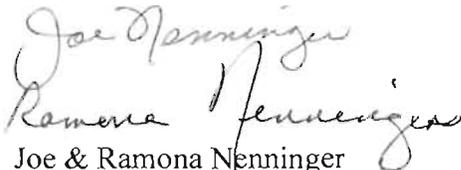
As it relates to health, several people in the area as well as some of the students have asthma, and research shows that quarry dust is extremely detrimental to anyone with this condition. The dust would pose a health risk especially for students, or anyone else coming to the school for ball games and other school functions.

We both have heart and lung conditions which would detrimentally be affected by the dust from this quarry. The heavy industrial truck traffic that this quarry would generate is a safety factor as well, with so many students and other people coming and going to this school.

We have lived in this area close to this quarry for over 35 years, and have enjoyed relatively clean air all this time, and are strongly opposed to this quarry. We understand there is another quarry requesting to locate in the same general area.

Please give very careful thought to not granting permits for any quarry to locate in this area. Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter.

Sincerely,



Joe & Ramona Nenninger  
361 Wellington Dr.  
Jackson, MO 63755

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Missouri Land Reclamation Commission:

I am writing to request a public hearing on the quarry being proposed By Strack Excavating, LLC in Fruitland Missouri. I am one of countless persons who are very concerned about the health and safety of students of Saxony Lutheran High School should this quarry be allowed to be built.

The Lutherans in our area have expended countless prayers and millions of dollars to build a quality school of higher learning that is a credit to the entire area.

To allow rock quarries to be built on either side of this fine facility is unconscionable.

I know you will act honorably in this situation and not allow this devastating quarry request to become a reality.

Sincerely,

  
Stan and Shirley Popp  
1353 Kingsway Drive  
Cape Girardeau MO 63701

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TO: DNR BOARD - LAND RECLAMATION COMMISSION:

as residents of The Fruitland area for 39 years, we stand in opposition to the proposed quarry now apply for permit for the following reasons.

we feel it will disrupt the quality of life we now have with increased noise, dust, and possibility of water pollution.

it is located in too close of proximity to Saxony Lutheran School. noise would be disruptive - Blasting etc.

increased traffic from large trucks would be dangerous for young drivers at the school.

we now enjoy a really good quality of environment in Fruitland. we feel this would be compromised with the operation of a quarry located this close to a great school, hotel and restaurants.

THEREFORE WE REQUEST A HEARING.

Paul Bellingz  
Carolyn S Bellingz

360 WELINGTON DR  
JACKSON, MO. 63755

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RE: Strack Excavating LLC Mining Permit Application

Director, Land Reclamation Board

With two daughters attending Saxony High School, I am very concerned about their health and safety should a quarry locate nearby. Playing in the dusty soccer/softball fields would not be good for their health. Driving on roads with dump trucks and rocks dropped on the roads are not desirable conditions for any driver, much less young drivers.

My in-laws have a quarry and I know the problems that exist around it. But there are NO schools anywhere in the area. In fact, there are almost NO people in the area. Those type locations are perfect for quarries, not in populated areas and certainly not beside a school, which exist in Fruitland. So I ask you to be socially responsible and say NO to this application.

I request an informal public hearing and a formal hearing with the board be granted to review this application.

Respectfully,



Ron Wahlers  
528 Sweet Pea Lane  
Jackson, MO 63755

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Kathy Schlichting  
233 Lakewood Drive  
Frohna, MO 63748

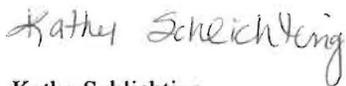
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- 1) Since quarries are industrial sites, I am concerned about the health of my student and all the other students at the school. As I understand it, quarries generate quite a lot of dust. Our school sits on top of a hill where the wind blows constantly. Many of the activities at the school take place outside. I can only imagine the negative effect the potential dust would have on the enjoyment and health of both our students and visitors.
- 2) I am concerned about my student's safety. Industrial traffic generated by the proposed quarry combined with our inexperienced teenage drivers seems like a worst-case scenario. It seems that this situation should warrant a study relative to the potential for accidents that will exist given these unique circumstances.
- 3) I feel that the livelihood of the school may be jeopardized. Our church and the other 24 association member churches have a multi-million dollar investment in the school, which just last year went through another \$1MM addition. Having a quarry so close to our school grounds certainly does not bode well for a new school which was built long before any quarry was proposed. This quarry may very well deter future students from attending Saxony...making our considerable investment a prisoner to our location.

I respectfully ask that Saxony Lutheran High School be granted a hearing to discuss these and other matters regarding this proposed adjacent to the school grounds. Currently, there are just too many unanswered questions and concerns to go any further without one. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Kathy Schlichting

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There are too many homes, businesses, schools, and daycares also close to this location. The whole community of Fruitland could be affected.

Please honor our request for the informal public hearing or forum.

Sincerely,

  
Kelly Brown

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Robert Schlichting  
233 Lakewood Drive  
Frohna, MO 63748

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Sincerely,



Gayla J. Ressel  
1722 Flad St.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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We are writing to voice our opposition to the Strack Excavating, LLC quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. We live and drive through this area every day and this situation affects us directly. We have many concerns regarding this permit.

My husband and I bought our home in this beautiful Fruitland area with hopes of retiring here. Because we know that fugitive dust cannot be completely controlled in every situation, we have grave concerns about how our health will be affected in later years as extra irritants in the air could have serious effects on our future health and daily quality of life.

Our county road #601 and connecting highways are already busy. Additional industrial traffic generated by the proposed quarry combined with school busses and inexperienced teenage drivers going to and from school could lead to a disaster. It seems that this situation should warrant a study relative to the potential for accidents that could exist given these unique circumstances of two schools, daycares and many other businesses in the midst of residential areas, all within a very close distance of each other. Additionally, with fugitive dust in the air, we are concerned about how this would affect the future health of these young people. We believe our children have a right to a safe and clean environment in which to learn and play.

We live about 1 mile from the proposed quarry site and have a private well on our property. We are very concerned about the potential risk to our water supply. We understand that mining in a Karst type of geography is unpredictable at best. Our family depends on a safe, steady water supply and we urge you to study the potential effects to people like us very carefully before considering granting this permit.

Many people in Fruitland depend on the public water supply for their families. Fruitland is a very populated area, and thousands depend on this supply daily. There are several public wells within a close proximity to the proposed quarry location. We urge you to complete the proper studies to determine how this could possibly affect Fruitland's water supply in the future, especially considering the unpredictable Karst typography.

My husband and I put all our resources into purchasing our dream home in the beautiful landscape of Fruitland and we feel the permission of this quarry would destroy the beautiful countryside and would diminish the value of our home and the homes of those all around us. Located so close to the proposed site, we have concerns regarding how the blasting, etc. might affect the foundation and structure of our home and septic tank. Also, we have a lake on our property that could be impacted along with its inhabitants. And, as Hubble Creek runs through this area, what impact would a quarry have on this watershed and also its inhabitants?

Saxony Lutheran School is an excellent learning facility that is in the growing and expanding stages. Families from many, many surrounding towns send their children to this high school because they want a quality Christian education for them. It is hard to believe that anyone would propose a quarry in such close proximity to this facility. Granting permission for this quarry would definitely harm the future of this school.

We adamantly oppose this quarry. As citizens with rights to protect our safety, our health, and the livelihood of our home, we respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues. We also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence can be presented to the Land Reclamation Board

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, 

Michael and Kimberley Pohlman  
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3) I feel that the livelihood of the school may be jeopardized. Twenty-five Lutheran churches, as well as many individuals, have a multi-million dollar investment in the school, which just last year went through another \$1MM addition. Having a quarry so close to the school grounds certainly does not bode well for a new school, which was built long before any quarry was proposed. This quarry may very well deter future students from attending Saxony, making their considerable investment a prisoner to the current location.

I respectfully ask that Saxony Lutheran High School be granted a hearing to discuss these and other matters regarding this proposed quarry adjacent to the school grounds. Currently, there are just too many unanswered questions and concerns to go any further without one. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Pamela S. Dooley  
1224 W. Cape Rock Dr.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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To the Land Reclamation Board:

I'm writing out of concern about Strack Excavating applying for a permit to operate a quarry right next to the campus of Saxony Lutheran High School. My son is a student at Saxony, and that is why this situation affects me directly. I am concerned for several reasons:

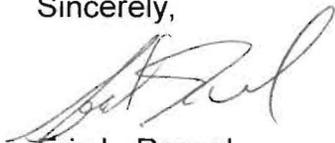
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Sincerely,



Eric L. Ressel  
1722 Flad St.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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To the Land Reclamation Board,

I wish to communicate my opposition to the Strack Excavating LLC Quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. I own and reside on a farm and ranch operation near Fruitland. This quarry would directly affect me and I have the following concerns!

1) I receive income from a pasture renter who maintains a herd of cattle on my property. My renter has expressed his concerns about the effect the fugitive dust from the quarry could have on his cattle's health. If my farm rental income ceases, I will certainly be affected.

2) As a Fruitland resident, I depend on the Public Water Supply as thousands of other residents do. Since these public wells are in close proximity to the proposed quarry location, I request that you undertake studies on how Fruitland's water supply may be affected in the future, in light of the geographic typography in this location.

3) As a Fruitland resident, I am concerned about the increased industrial traffic that will be generated around an interstate exchange which is already extremely busy due to nearby schools and daily worker commutes to some major manufacturing facilities nearby. Additionally, the quarry trucks will be emitting diesel fuel fumes into the air, which adds to more pollution. I request a study be conducted on the potential for traffic accidents, and an additional study on increased traffic and diesel emissions on air quality.

4) I also have grave concerns how quarry dust will affect our Fruitland children in nearby schools, creating health problems for now and in the future, adding to additional burdens on already overtaxed health care systems.

As a citizen of Fruitland, I wish to protect my safety and my livelihood. Therefore, I strongly oppose this quarry, and respectfully request an informal public hearing be held to air these concerns; and a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that all evidence may be presented to the Land Reclamation Board. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Frances J. Reid  
20545 St. Hwy. 177  
Jackson, MO 63755

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*RE: Strack Request for permit.*

I want to express my strong opposition to having rock quarries in Fruitland. These quarries would turn what is now a nice little residential community into a filthy undesirable place to live. We purchased our home there eighteen years ago and have worked hard to make improvements to it and our property. Now, we face the prospect of having the value of what we have worked so hard for decreased.

My reasons for opposing these quarries fall into two groups, those affecting me and my family personally, and those affecting the community. First, for those affecting me and my family, as I mentioned above, is property value. Rock quarries create many adverse conditions, all of which could have nothing but a negative effect on the value of our property. Who would want to buy property close to a rock quarry? The blasting that will take place could cause damage to the foundation and walls of our house. In addition, damage to septic systems, water and gas lines are also possible as they have occurred elsewhere around quarries. Radon leaks from newly formed cracks in the ground which seep through your basement floor are also possible. Disruption to our water quality and supply are also real possibilities as the digging could affect water tables and the blasting could stir sediment in underground pools. An adverse affect of a different kind is the one it will have on our family pet. Noise, such as that from blasts, causes our dog, as well as others in the neighborhood to bark continuously. We experience this for a few days around the fourth of July, only, this will not end. Lastly, the dirt put into the air from these quarries will affect my allergies as I have trouble in dusty environments, not to mention the simple fact that dirt will coat everything in the area from the grass to houses and vehicles.

From a community standpoint the ill effects are also great. We have two schools in the immediate area of the proposed quarries. One of these schools will literally be surrounded by these quarries. The effects upon the health of many of the students in these schools is bound to be great considering so many students these days have asthma as well as other respiratory conditions. How about the disruption caused by the blasting and the constant noise caused by dump trucks and other machinery? We are told there will be no blasting during the school day, but what about the constant noise of the dump trucks? What about after school events such as athletic practices, games and meets which are held outside like baseball, softball, track, cross country and soccer? What about anyone who comes to the schools for any reason only to have their vehicle coated with dust while they endure the noise of blasting and dump trucks.

These same issues also apply to businesses in the area. How will it affect their business? What about the cattle farmers whose cattle now have to graze on dirty grass? I am willing to bet it can only have an adverse affect them. Furthermore, let's not forget the residents in the area who send their children out to play in dust filled yards and can no longer keep anything clean.

I do not oppose quarries, only the location of them. They do not belong in areas close to homes, businesses and schools. Please consider the number of people, their property and businesses that will be adversely affected by having these quarries here in Fruitland and say no to the quarries.

Respectfully,

Gordon Walton  
353 Concord Lane  
Jackson (Fruitland), Mo.

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To Whom It May Concern:

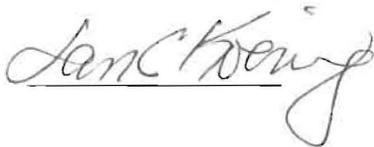
I am writing this letter to express my concern about the possible quarry which Strack Excavating LLC wants to locate to the north of Saxony Lutheran School in Fruitland, Missouri.

**I request that an informal public hearing** be held so that we can let our voices be heard. Potentially, the water currently used could be affected as well as pollution from the mining. The noise could also be a problem.

There are too many homes, businesses, schools, and daycares also close to this location. The whole community of Fruitland could be affected, especially Saxony Lutheran High School.

Please honor our request for the informal public hearing or forum.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan Koenig". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

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Director, Land Reclamation Program  
Department of Natural Resources  
P.O. Box 176  
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176

Dear Director,

I am writing to inform you of my opposition to the Strack Excavating quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland area. I live within 1/4 mile of the proposed quarry site, and this operation would have a direct negative impact on my family and home. I have many concerns regarding the permit and proposed operation.

1) I am an employee of the water district in this area and have real concerns regarding the effect of blasting to both the public and private water systems. Over the years, I have heard of many instances when in the course of drilling wells or when seismic activity is recorded where individuals have complained of cloudy or muddied water. I am sure that blasting which appears to be more invasive than drilling, in an area so close to our main system wells will have similar effects. I believe that an environmental impact study or hydrogeological study should be required to determine the potential risk and steps necessary to protect our water supply. The possibility of an entire community's water source being contaminated or lost should be seriously considered. If the water systems (public or private) are damaged or suffer permanent loss, it would result in quite a sizeable cost to our community both in our health and financially.

2) Living in close proximity to the proposed quarry site, I am concerned about the noise impacts of blasting and a crushing operation. I can sympathize with and support the concerns of Saxony High School on the noise and other impacts to the school and after-school activities; however, in the event the quarrying operation would move blasting to off-school hours to compensate, then my family and other local residents will have to deal with the negative impacts of blasting at night and on weekends. The constant background noise of a generator and rock crusher operation, particularly during, but not limited to the evenings and on weekends would also be a detriment to health and quality of life of my family and nearby residents.

3) The addition of 200 – 300 trucks per day of traffic to the Highway 61 and I-55 intersection area is a health and safety concern. While recognizing the reality of

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*gradual* traffic growth due to increased industrial and residential expansion of the area, locating a quarry in this location will with a single decision result in a statistically significant increase in the risk of severe accidents and fatalities.

4) My home and property are an investment that my husband and I have made that is part of our plan for retirement. The locating of a quarry in the area will decrease the value of that investment; as a citizen with a right to protect my livelihood, I am opposed to another party being allowed to undertake an activity to enhance their livelihood and well-being while creating a negative impact to mine and that of other residents of the area.

5) My house and property have not become my "home" only because I invested money to purchase it. Our family has added much more than monetary value to it through all the years of family time we put into it. Having a quarry right out the back door will not make for a very peaceful place to enjoy these family moments. My peaceful outside haven will not be so enjoyable, if I have to worry about hearing my children's wheezing breaths instead of the stillness intermixed with the hooting of owls on a warm summer evening.

I respectfully request an opportunity to discuss these issues and the quarry operator's responses at an informal public hearing. In the event the operator refuses, or if an informal public hearing does not resolve my concerns, I request a formal hearing in order to provide further evidence to the Land Reclamation Board as to the impacts of this proposal. Thank you for this consideration.

Sincerely,



Karen S. Sutterer  
303 Eli Drive  
Jackson, MO 63755

December 11, 2010

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To the Land Reclamation Board,

I'm writing to voice my opposition to the Strack Excavating quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. I live very close to the proposed quarry site and I have many concerns regarding this permit.

1) My husband and I are both former military and have spent years working for the Department of State in Iraq. We consistently hear explosions in our line of work. When a large noise is heard we are expected to react to it in order to save our lives. When we are home we expect relief from constant fears associated with explosions. Typically it takes two to three weeks at home before we quit jumping at large or distant noises. If there a quarry next our home we won't get any relief from the stress that comes from the noise that blasting will cause.

2) We planned on selling our house in Fruitland at the end of next year and rebuilding on our land which is also in Fruitland. If the quarry operates in the proposed area it will make selling our house very difficult and will drastically decrease the value. I'm also worried that the blasting will affect the house foundation.

3) We planned on having children and having them live and Fruitland *and* attending North Elementary School but that may not be such a good idea if there is a quarry. With fugitive dust in the air, I'm concerned about how it will affect their future health. I believe children have a right to a safe, clean, environment to learn and play in.

4) I live in Fruitland and depend on the Public Water Supply for my family. Fruitland is a very populated area, and thousands depend on this supply daily. There are several public wells within a close proximity to the proposed quarry location. I urge you to complete the proper studies to determine how this could possibly effect our water supply in the future, especially considering the unpredictable Karst typography we live in.

I adamantly oppose this quarry. I respectfully ask that a informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues. I also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence could be presented to the Land Reclamation Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Julie Hughes  
110 Eli Drive  
Jackson, MO 63755

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to express my concern about the possible quarry which Strack Excavating LLC wants to locate to the north of Saxony Lutheran School in Fruitland, Missouri.

**I request that an informal public hearing** be held so that we can let our voices be heard. Potentially, the water currently used could be affected as well as pollution from the mining. The noise could also be a problem.

There are too many homes, businesses, schools, and daycares also close to this location. The whole community of Fruitland could be affected, especially Saxony Lutheran High School.

Please honor our request for the informal public hearing or forum.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Koenig". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, circular flourish at the end of the last name.

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Director, Land Reclamation Program  
Department of Natural Resources  
P.O. Box 176  
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176

To the Land Reclamation Board:

We are writing to voice our opposition to the **Strack Excavating quarry** that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. We live in-between Fruitland and Jackson and this situation affects us directly. We have serious concerns regarding this permit.

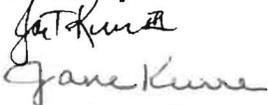
Because we know fugitive dust cannot be completely controlled in every situation, we have serious concerns about how our health will be affected. Extra irritants in the air could seriously affect our future health and daily quality of life.

Our roads are already busy. Additional industrial traffic generated by the proposed quarry could lead to more traffic accidents. This situation warrants a study relative to the potential for accidents that will exist given these unique circumstances.

We live in-between Fruitland and Jackson and have a private well on our property. We are very concerned about the potential risk to our water supply. We understand that mining in a Karst type of geography is unpredictable at best. We depend on safe, steady water supply, and we urge you to study the potential affects to people like us very carefully before granting this permit.

As a citizen with a right to protect our safety and health, we adamantly **oppose** this quarry. We respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues. We also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence could be presented to the Land Reclamation Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Joe T Kurre III  
Jane Kurre  
1436 State Highway Y  
Jackson, Mo 63755

December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Director, Land Reclamation Program  
Department of Natural Resources  
P.O. Box 176  
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176

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Dear Director,

I am writing to inform you of my opposition to the Strack Excavation quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland area. I live ¼ of a mile from the proposed quarry site, and this operation would have a direct negative impact on my family and I. I have many concerns regarding the permit and proposed operation.

1) The proposed quarry site and surrounding area are part of a karst topography, as evidenced by sinkholes, a year-round spring within 600 feet of the quarry site, and a "losing stream" within 500 feet of the quarry site. There are many documented negative impacts of quarrying in a karst geological area on aquifer-supplied water sources, including ground water level lowering, flow alteration, and turbidity increases. According to Mr. James Vandyke, State Geologist with the Mo DNR, there have been no studies or testing done in this area which would assess the impact of quarrying on groundwater resources. As a user of the public water supply well system, I believe my family's health and the health and viability of the water supply is threatened by the quarry, and would expect that a hydrogeological study or environmental impacts study be undertaken to determine the potential risk and mitigation steps necessary to protect our water supply.

2) Living as close as I do to the proposed quarry site, I am concerned about the damage potential from blasting to the foundation and masonry components of my home. I am also very concerned about the noise of blasting and a 24 hour crushing operation. Blasting and persistent background noise from the rock crusher operation will disrupt sleep and elevate stress levels for myself, family, and neighbors, thereby creating a health concern. The constant background noise of generator and rock crusher operation, particularly during, but not limited to (given shift work of many local residents), the evenings and on weekends would be a detriment to health and quality of life of my family and nearby residents.

3) My home and property are an investment that my wife and I have made that is part of our plan for retirement. The locating of a quarry this close to my home will decrease the value of that investment; as a citizen with a right to protect my livelihood, I am opposed to another party being allowed to undertake an activity to enhance their livelihood and well-being while creating a negative impact to mine and that of other residents of the area.

4) The addition of 200 – 300 trucks per day of traffic to the Highway 61 and I-55 intersection area is a health and safety concern, particularly given the potential impact of mixing heavy truck traffic with a significant driving student population at Saxony High School. While recognizing that *gradual* traffic growth due to increased industrial and residential expansion of the area is a reality and has to be dealt with, locating a quarry in this location will, with a single decision, result in a statistically significant increase in the risk of severe accidents and fatalities.

5) As a member of the community, I have significant concerns about the proposed quarry's impact to the surrounding environment. As mentioned previously, there is an all-weather spring within 600 feet of the quarry site, on the south bank of the primary tributary into Hubble Creek in this area. This spring empties directly into that tributary at an approximate rate of 30 gph, and then into Hubble creek. The location and orientation of the spring would imply that it is fed from the south, directly from the location of the proposed quarry. Given the nature of Karst, a spring with a probable existing underground hydraulic connection to the quarry location, and the likelihood of additional rock fracturing from mining and blasting, I think it is necessary for the permitting entities and the public to understand how Mr. Strack would be able to insure that there wouldn't be undesired discharge from the mining operation off

of his mining property and into Hubble Creek via this and any other similar springs. Wildlife also make use of this spring, as evidenced by fish in the pool created by the spring and deer and other wildlife observed around the periphery of the pool.

Furthermore, Mr. Strack in his permit proposes a half-mile long impoundment berm with a holding pond to contain quarry waste and runoff from entering Hubble Creek, around the 1<sup>st</sup> proposed excavation area. This berm would border either Hubble Creek or its tributaries along its entire length. I am concerned about the integrity of such a structure, particularly as it is located immediately adjacent to the excavation and blasting area, and believe a spill into Hubble Creek would create a significant environmental hazard as well as ruin the natural state of the creek within and including its course through the Jackson City Park.

6) I have concerns about Mr. Strack's commitment to adhere to operating within permit limitations and, ultimately, to his reclamation plan. As evidence to this concern, I cite three observations:

(a) Mr. Strack himself, in a local network news broadcast in September of this past year, stated that he was not concerned with the interests of local residents and Saxony High School concerning the quarry, and in fact referred to the local residents as a "mob". This active discounting of the concerns of impacted neighbors of the proposed quarry is an indicator of how that operator will behave towards future concerns should the quarry be permitted.

(b) According to DNR records, a number of complaints of permit violations have been filed against him concerning another of his quarry operations, and his expansion permit is pending a formal hearing on those complaints. It is not reasonable to expect that his behavior and actions as a quarry operator at this operation will be any different than his demonstrated performance at his existing operation.

(c) His permit application misrepresents the current status of an easement on the land. The map included with the application indicates a water line easement along the north and east border of the property. A brief visit to the Cape County Recorder's Office provides proof that no recorded easement exists in that location, and that in fact the public water supply easement runs south along the west side of the property, then along the south side just south of the upper portion of the property, then directly *across the center of the property* just to the south of the first proposed excavation area. Whether Mr. Strack hasn't done the proper research, felt that something such as land use rights to be unimportant enough to represent properly on his application, or otherwise chose to misrepresent the current situation of that easement, is up to him to explain, but any of those reasons demonstrates either a lack of attention to detail or a disregard to disclose facts pertinent to the situation, behavior which calls into question his intent to ultimately adhere to either operating regulations or ultimately to his reclamation plan.

I respectfully request an opportunity to discuss resolution to these issues and questions, and the quarry operator's responses, at an informal public hearing. In the event the applicant refuses, or if an informal public hearing does not resolve my concerns, I request a formal hearing in order to provide further evidence to the Land Reclamation Board as to the impacts of this proposal. Thank you for this consideration.

Sincerely,



Timothy J. Sutterer  
303 Eli Drive  
Jackson, MO 63755

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December 18, 2010

RE: Strack Excavating LLC Mining Permit Application

Director, Land Reclamation Board

I am writing to voice my concerns about an application for a mining permit submitted by Strack Excavating LLC to operate a mine in the Fruitland, Missouri community. We already have one open pit mine operating, with blasting, within a half mile of the area in the application. You should not burden this area with another mine and blasting. One is more than our fair share.

Currently I do a sizable portion of my business in this area: shrubs/trees at Bloomers Nursery, gas and convenience groceries at the 4 convenience stores, eating at the Pie Bird Restaurant, having relatives stay at the Drury Hotel when there are school activities, and I make many stops at the Dairy Queen and Pizza Inn, all because I currently have two children in the Saxony Lutheran High School. However, having grown up near an operating quarry and knowing the conditions that exist around quarries, this would all be impacted should this quarry be granted a permit to start operation.

Because of my firsthand experience around quarries, I know what life would be like. I fully support quarries existing at locations that do not impact existing communities or schools with developing minds that are more sensitive to these conditions. But Fruitland community is not the best location for a quarry. The schools, the businesses and the hundreds of residents have been here for years and have not negatively impacted each other. Help us continue to live our healthy, clean, quiet lives and let the quarry operators find a more logical place for their business. Based on Missouri Statutes 444.610.1(1), "the commission shall not approve the application for a permit to conduct strip mining where such mining would endanger a residence, public building, school, church, cemetery, commercial or residential building, stream, lake, public road or other property". Follow this law and say NO to their application request. I request an informal public hearing and a formal courtroom hearing be granted for review of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



Virginia Wahlers

528 Sweet Pea Lane

Jackson, Mo 63755

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## **Zeaman, Bill**

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**From:** Larsen, Mike  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 29, 2010 8:52 AM  
**To:** Zeaman, Bill  
**Subject:** FW: Fruitland Strack Quarry Comments

Mike Larsen, Staff Director  
Land Reclamation Program  
Division of Environmental Quality  
Missouri Department of Natural Resources  
(573) 751-4041  
mike.larsen@dnr.mo.gov

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Dennis Stowers [mailto:dj.stowers@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 28, 2010 5:10 PM  
**To:** Larsen, Mike  
**Subject:** Fruitland Strack Quarry Comments

To the Land Reclamation Board,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the Strack Stone quarry that has been proposed in the Fruitland community. The proposed site is just a few hundred yards away from my house, and I believe it would negatively affect me and my family.

I work swing shifts at the P&G plant and I am sleeping during the day several days a week. I believe the noise would negatively affect me, preventing me from getting enough sleep to do my job safely. I also have problems with my sinuses & allergies, and I believe that the additional dust generated by a quarry would exacerbate the problem.

Furthermore, we live in an older home which has already had to have foundation work done. I believe the blasting could potentially affect these repairs causing us to have to spend even more money to repair them again.

I am also concerned about possible negative effects on the Public Water Supply in this area. Thousands of people including my family rely on this water supply daily. I want to urge you to complete the proper studies to determine how this rock quarry could affect our water supply considering the unpredictable Karst topography seen in the Fruitland area.

Lastly, I have two children, one of which attends North Elementary School here in Fruitland. The negative air quality that could be generated by the proposed rock quarry is a health concern for my children. I believe they have the right to grow up in a safe, clean environment and I believe the formation of a rock quarry in the middle of our community would negatively impact the safety and cleanliness of the the air here. My other child is about to start driving, and I am concerned about the increased traffic in our area that a quarry would generate and the potential dangers she would face as a new driver when she gets her license.

As a citizen with a right to protect my safety, health, and livelihood and that of my family, I adamantly oppose this quarry. I respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these and other issues. I also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence may be presented to the Land Reclamation Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dennis Stowers  
136 Kyle Drive  
Jackson, MO 63755

**Zeaman, Bill**

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**From:** Larsen, Mike  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 29, 2010 8:53 AM  
**To:** Zeaman, Bill  
**Subject:** FW: Strack Excavating letter from B schwab  
**Attachments:** Our letters.doc

Mike Larsen, Staff Director  
Land Reclamation Program  
Division of Environmental Quality  
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(573) 751-4041  
mike.larsen@dnr.mo.gov

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**From:** Bradley Schwab [mailto:[bswabby@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bswabby@sbcglobal.net)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:04 PM  
**To:** Larsen, Mike  
**Subject:** Strack Excavating letter from B schwab

Letter from Bradley Schwab

12/28/2010

To the Land Reclamation Board,

I'm writing to voice my opposition to Strack Excavating LLC quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. This situation affects me directly.

I live close to Fruitland and depend on the Public Water Supply for my family. Fruitland is a very populated area, and thousands depend on this water supply daily. There are several public wells within a close proximity to the proposed quarry location. I urge you to complete the proper studies to determine how this could possibly affect our water supply in the future, especially considering the unpredictable Karst topography we live in.

Also as a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church we have supported Saxony Lutheran High School. I am concerned about the ongoing viability and livelihood of the school should a quarry be granted the necessary permits. There is the issue of the health and safety of our students not only from the ever present dust and potential blasting but also exposing our young, inexperienced drivers to the heavy, industrial traffic that a quarry is known to generate.

I adamantly oppose this quarry. I respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues. I also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence could be presented to the Land Reclamation Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely  
Bradley Schwab

321 Kaskaskia Ln.  
Jackson, MO 63755

**Zeaman, Bill**

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**From:** Larsen, Mike  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 29, 2010 8:53 AM  
**To:** Zeaman, Bill  
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Mike Larsen, Staff Director  
Land Reclamation Program  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:05 PM  
**To:** Larsen, Mike  
**Subject:** Strack Excavating letter from P Schwab

Letter from Patricia Schwab

12/29/2010

12/28/2010

To the Land Reclamation Board,

I'm writing to voice my opposition to Strack Excavating LLC quarry that has applied for a permit to operate in the Fruitland community. This situation affects me directly.

I live close to Fruitland and depend on the Public Water Supply for my family. Fruitland is a very populated area, and thousands depend on this water supply daily. There are several public wells within a close proximity to the proposed quarry location. I urge you to complete the proper studies to determine how this could possibly affect our water supply in the future, especially considering the unpredictable Karst topography we live in.

Also as a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church we have supported Saxony Lutheran High School. I am concerned about the ongoing viability and livelihood of the school should a quarry be granted the necessary permits. There is the issue of the health and safety of our students not only from the ever present dust and potential blasting but also exposing our young, inexperienced drivers to the heavy, industrial traffic that a quarry is known to generate.

I adamantly oppose this quarry. I respectfully ask that an informal public hearing take place to discuss these issues. I also request that a formal courtroom hearing be granted so that further evidence could be presented to the Land Reclamation Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely  
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