

Department Of Resource Management

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION & AVAILABILITY

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT Lake Herman Quarry Expansion and Surface Mining and Reclamation Permit Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Solano has prepared a Daft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed expansion of **Syar Industries, Inc. Lake Herman Road Quarry** (U-08-09) located in unincorporated Solano County.

The Project, proposed by Syar Industries, Inc., is located in Solano County just east of the City of Vallejo and along the northeast side of Lake Herman Road approximately .6 mile east of it's intersection with Columbus Parkway. The project area is designated Agriculture/Resource Conservation Overlay by the Solano County General Plan and is zoned A-20 (Agriculture -20 acre minimum).

Syar Industries, Inc. is currently operating a surface mining operation on-site and is proposing to continue surface mining a and reclamation activities for aggregate processing aggregate product manufacturing, and sales of 3.0 million tons per year for an additional 35 years. Syar Industries, Inc. proposes to expand the active quarry pit from 113 acres to 211 acres, increase the permitted annual gross extraction rate from 2.0 million tons to 4.0 million tons, increase the depth of the quarry pit by from 200' mean sea level (msl) to 0 msl and change the allowable hours of operation.

The County of Solano is the Lead Agency in the preparation of the EIR. The EIR examines all of the potentially significant environmental effects of the project, and alternatives, and/or mitigation measure to reduce or avoid those significant impacts. The Draft EIR concludes that there could be significant adverse environmental effects for the Lake Herman Quarry Expansion Project in the areas of air quality, biology, cultural resources, geology/soils, greenhouse gases/energy use, hydrology/water quality, and transportation. Mitigation measures are identified to reduce these impacts to a less-than-significant level.

The Draft EIR is being published for a 45-day public review and comment period; a Final EIR will be prepared to respond to comments received during the review period and will be presented for public comment at a future date. The Planning Commission must certify the EIR as complete, accurate, and objective analysis prior to taking action on the proposed Use Permit at a date to be specified. We welcome your views on the adequacy and completeness of the Draft EIR. If you represent a public agency, please provide information that is germane to your statutory responsibilities as they may be affected by this Project. Responsible and trustee agencies will need to use the EIR prepared by the County when considering approvals they may grant related to the Project. If you decide to challenge the action of the County in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at or prior to the final public hearing on the Project.

Your comments must be received by the County prior to the close of the 45 day review period, which is **5:00 p.m. on September 4, 2013.** Please submit any requests for a copy (CD disk) of the Draft EIR, your written comments, including the name, address and telephone number of a contact person to: Karen Avery, Solano County Department of Resource Management, 675 Texas Street, Suite 5500, Fairfield, CA 94533 (707) 784-6765.

Copies of the Draft EIR can be reviewed at the Department of Resource Management at the above address beginning on July 22, 2013 and on the internet website at www.solanocounty.com/depts/rm/documents/eir.

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