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FIELD REPORT

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96-SP-0500

On Wednesday, February 28, 1996 a field inspection was made of the above referenced permit area. Present at the inspection were the following:

Andy Chisholm
Ed Larrimore
Molly Gary
Ken Krantz

Consultant for permittee

Minerals, Oil & Gas Division Minerals, Oil & Gas Division

Inspection and Compliance

The proposed permit area will be 46.79 acres in size. The tract of land is 482 acres of which 103 will be impacted by the rubblefill and 46.79 of the 103 by mining. The mining portion is internal in the property and is not visible from any roads or houses. Mining will be done in several lifts to a maximum depth of 40 feet in the area where the hill is being removed. The material mined will be used as fill for a subdivision being built by the permittee and possibly, for the landfill proposed on the same property. The rubblefill permit has been applied for but not granted. The mining permit area is included in the rubblefill permit application as the last phase. At this time the proposed reclamation plan for the mining permit area is vegetated open space. A modification would be required if the reclamation plan changed.

The site was previously mined by Campbell Sand and Gravel in the 1970's. Genstar Stone Products permitted the property under permit no. 87-SP-0261 but never removed any material and the file was closed on 9/22/89. Chesapeake Terrace applied for a permit in 1990. Zoning was never received for the project so the permit request was denied and the file closed. A court decision was issued by Judge J. Karwacki on July 17, 1995 granting the zoning for the property for both the rubble filling and mining. A copy of the court decision has been received for our file.

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One sediment basin is proposed for sediment control in the 42 acre mining area. The basin is currently designed as a temporary structure. A temporary structure is not intended to remain in place longer than three years. The consultant has been advised to design and install the basin as a permanent structure. This may be slightly more costly up front but will likely save money and review time when the permit and sediment control approval need to be renewed. The haul road to be used is listed on the application as 3.5 acres. The haul road and permit area were digitized and found to be larger, the haul road is actually 8.9 acres and the permit area 37.9. The permittee will be requested to revise the application and drawings.

The site will be accessed off of Conway Road. No wetlands are to be disturbed by the mining operation and only a few trees will be cleared. The wetlands on the property were delineated by Milt McCarthy and the delineation was verified by the Army Corps of Engineers on March 18, 1993 the Corps issued.

Comments have been solicited from other government agencies. The opportunity will be offered for a public hearing and adjoining property owners will be notified.

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