Dunn, Brandon

From:

Rohland, Stacey

Sent:

Tuesday, June 11, 2019 3:25 PM

To:

Loveland, David

Cc:

Dunn, Brandon; Rozdolski, Mikki

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Lee Plan Mining Amendments, Adoption Hearing, June 19

Attachments:

Letter To Commissioners June 2019 Mining Amendments.pdf

FYI

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Pete Cangialosi < pcangialosi@comcast.net >

Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 1:55 PM

To: Dist4, Brian Hamman < dist4@leegov.com >; Dist5, Frank Mann < Dist5@leegov.com >; Dist1, John Manning

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Lee Plan Mining Amendments, Adoption Hearing, June 19

Commissioners,

Please see attached letter regarding the proposed mining amendments to the Lee Plan. Thank you.

Peter Cangialosi



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Sent:

Wednesday, June 12, 2019 3:12 PM

To:

Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the changes in CPA2018-10014

Please add emails to Mining list.

Mikki Rozdolski Planning Section Manager

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phone: 239-533-8309

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From: Betty Ann Stewart <photolady2@mac.com>
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Mann <Dist5@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the changes in CPA2018-10014

Dear Commissioner

Sincerely,

After spending \$1.6 million dollars in 2010 on new rules and regulations for the lime rock industry please do not change them again now!!!!!

Sincerely,

Betty Ann Stewart

Ms Betty Ann Stewart <u>photolady2@mac.com</u> 8627 Mullwood Dr Estero, NY 33928

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From: David Luciano <<u>c21david@hotmail.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 11:11 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning <<u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass <<u>dist2@leegov.com</u>>; Dist3, Larry Kiker <<u>dist3@leegov.com</u>>; Dist4, Brian Hamman <<u>dist4@leegov.com</u>>; Dist5, Frank

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Dear Commissioner

Please stop the continued destruction of Lee County lands with non stop mining operations. Look at what has been done to the landscape of south Lee county over the years by mining this particular area to the benefit of others miles away. Southeast Lee county is so important to our water and wildlife resources that more control, not less, needs to be held. Just look at an overhead map view of this area being totally reconfigured and destroyed.

Upstream water quality and land resource conservation efforts will be weakened, creating more water pollution pressures on our downstream estuaries and the Gulf, with negative impacts on our tourism and hospitality industry and reduced quality of life impacts.

Sincerely,

David Luciano

Mr David Luciano
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Ft. Myers, florida 33967

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Dear Commissioner

Please do not vote for fast track mining.

Not only is our environment affected but our water is a target. Life can not proceed without quality drinking water and quality estuary waterways. Why can't you look into the future and realize our way of life cannot be sustained if we continue to disrupt the earth. Sincerely, Pat Arnet

Ms Pat Arnet
patarnet@yahoo.com
21351 Lancaster Run, Unit 314
Estero, FL 33928

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Dear Commissioner

Be it known that my wife and I stand in opposition to the proposed changes regarding new mining permitting.

I will spare you all the justifications for our position. Suffice it say that we oppose the proposal and we will vote accordingly at our next opportunity for county commissioner elections.

Sincerely,

Mr Robert Pisa <u>robertpisa@comcast.net</u> 11544 Amalfi Way Estero, FL 33928

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Dear Commissioner

Sincerely, Please reconsider your vote for the streamlining of mining and the degradation of our water supply. It is unfortunate that these meetings and decisions take place when the majority of property owners are away and cannot attend. William and Diane Heinz

Ms William Heinz heinzvoyager@outlook.com 23870 Copperleaf Blvd. Estero, FL 34135

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RALF BROOKES, ATTORNEY

Board Certified in City, County and Local Government Law

June 12, 2019

Re: Limerock Blasting And Mining: Future Limerock Mining Overlay (Map 14)

Dear Lee County Board of County Commissioner:

Planning the geographic area where lime rock blasting and mining will occur is important to Lee County residents.

Map 14 helps to ensure through land use planning that:

- Blasting and heavy rock trucks routes do not intrude into residential rural estate areas.
- Lime rock blasting and mining is directed to a specified geographic area before other areas are planned for limerock blasting and mining.
- Map 14 allows residents to choose where to purchase homes.
- Map 14 informs mining companies where to choose to purchase land and site lime rock mines and pursue IPD rezonings.
- Residents of residential developments in north, east and south Lee County rely upon Map 14 to know where mining will occur for the foreseeable near future.

Regulating *how* mines operate is not the same as **planning** *where* lime rock blasting and mining will be allowed to occur.

Planning land uses directs lime rock blasting and mining to geographical areas where lime rock mining will occur first before expanding to future planned geographical areas of Lee County.

Map 14 has enabled established limerock mining companies to know where limerock blasting and mining will occur for the foreseeable future before mining will be allowed elsewhere.

Likewise, residents of residential developments and rural estates have relied upon Map 14 to protect them from the effects of blasting when they choose where to reside with their families free from lime rock blasting and heavy rock truck traffic.

Without Map 14, blasting of lime rock, heavy rock truck traffic will spread through areas of north, east and south Lee County where residents and residential developments have located in reliance on Map 14.

Map 14 was adopted, challenged and upheld in *DOAH Case 10-2988GM*, a case in which I was among the attorneys who represented the Conservancy of SW Florida and other groups that intervened to support of Lee County's adoption of Map 14.

Retaining Map 14 to show where mining will occur first will not result in B. Harris Act liability.

/s/ Ralf Brookes Attorney



Protecting Southwest Florida's unique natural environment and quality of life ... now and forever,

June 12, 2019

Lee County Board of County Commissioners
John Manning, District 1 Commissioner, Lee County
Cecil Pendergrass, District 2 Commissioner, Lee County
Brian Hamman, District 4 Commissioner, Lee County
Frank Mann, District 5 Commissioner, Lee County

Sent via email

RE: CPA2018-10014: Goal 33/Limerock Mining

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of our more than 7,000 supporting families, including many who live in Lee County, the Conservancy of Southwest Florida appreciates the opportunity to share the basis of our opposition to CPI2018-10014 which deletes Map 14 and amends policies throughout Lee County's comprehensive plan (Lee Plan) relating to limerock mining. We have made comments at all public meetings held throughout this process as well as providing comments to state agencies. This is the final decision point to determine how and if Map 14 will continue to guide Lee County in choosing appropriate locations for limerock mining. This letter is to urge to not adopt these amendments, and to instruct staff to amend the Lee Plan to clarify the criteria and requirements by which applications for inclusion in Map 14 are evaluated.

Map 14 is a critical component of the Lee Plan, and this is an opportunity to reiterate a vision to balance environmental protection, neighborhood compatibility and resource extraction in the Density Reduction Groundwater Resource (DRGR) area of Southeast Lee County. Staff has stated that the changes proposed are based on your direction¹. We hope you clarify your intent by retaining and enforcing Map 14, not through deletion of Map 14.

At the end of the hearing on April 17, 2019, Assistant County Attorney Michael Jacob spent approximately twenty-five minutes quoting from proposed recommended orders, transcripts, and taking deposition testimony out of context from several cases. This likely resulted in confusing and potentially clouding the issue at hand. The decision today is whether or not Map 14 is an important part of the Lee Plan and should be retained.

¹ BoCC Adoption Staff Report CPA2018-10014, page 2 of 24 dated June 5, 2019

We are attaching a memo to this letter from Attorney Ralf Brookes which provides his legal opinion about the Lee Plan including Map 14. Mr. Brookes is certified by the Florida Bar in City, County and Local Government practice. He is well versed with DRGR issues and Map 14 as he represented the Conservancy of Southwest Florida in 2010 during the time when Map 14 was challenged by mining interests and defended by Lee County when an administrative law judge determined that Map 14 is consistent with Florida Statutes and based on meaningful and predictable standards. Mr. Brookes has determined that Map 14 provides valuable guidance for the approval of mines, provides meaningful and predictable standards for the use of land, and will not result in B. Harris Act liability.

Staff has not presented any evidence or reason that it is Lee County's best interest to remove Map 14. By removing Map 14, new mines will be relegated to strictly zoning matters, making it illegal for the public to contact you directly with their concerns and comments under threat of fines and jail time. This is one of several reasons we are asking you to retain Map 14 as an overlay in the Comprehensive Plan.

Limerock mining is uniquely impactful, transforming the environment and irreparably changing the character of the landscape. This is not an activity that should be approved without careful examination, specific standards including recognition on an overlay that requires a comprehensive plan amendment. We have heard from staff that requiring a CPA is unnecessary or overly burdensome for applicants. We disagree. There is nothing about this impactful activity – an activity which could go one for half of a century on a given parcel -that should be taken lightly. More oversight, consideration of all conditions, and a specific recognition that a particular piece of property is appropriate for mining is needed and necessary.

While we disagree with staff that changes are needed to clarify the intent and purpose of Map 14, we are providing clarifying language that will address staff's concerns and minimize potential legal challenges caused by ambiguous or vague language. This issue is being presented as a binary issue with a binary outcome: either delete Map 14 and the provisions identified or keep Map 14 and the Lee Plan as it is. These are not the only choices. Staff can be instructed to clarify specific provisions and language so long as they are given clear direction and instruction. We are asking you to instruct staff to retain Map 14, clarify the purpose of Map 14 and affirm that a commitment to balancing the needs of the DRGR with limerock mining remains. As a reminder, pursuant to Florida Statutes, Lee County has 180 days² to adopt mining amendments. This means there is time to instruct staff to craft language that supports your true intent in regards to mining, Map 14, and balancing competing interests in the DRGR. There is no reason to adopt these amendments today unless these amendments represent your beliefs and vision on how the public is best served in regards to mining interests and balancing private rights, access to elected officials, and the public welfare.

Staff has specifically states that every seven years, Lee County is "obligated" to update the inventory of existing mining operations.³ We disagree. However, we have provided language below to clarify that

 $^{^2}$ This means Lee County has until November 12, 2019 to adopt these amendments. Please note you can ask for an extension should additional time be needed.

³ BOCC Adoption Staff Report, CPA2018-10014, June 5, 2019, page 5 of 24

there is no such obligation, and that studies are required by applicants seeking to be added to the overlay.

Staff has stated if there is a "deficit", Lee County will be "required" to add to Map 14 to meet regional demand.4 We disagree with staff's interpretation; however, we have provided language to clarify that Lee County is not pledging to be a regional limerock source, and will not mine unless doing so is in the best interest of Lee County.

We pose the following changes, comments, and questions:

Do not delete Policy 1.7.12. Revise Policy 1.7.12 to state: The Future Limerock Mining overlay (Map 14) identifies where limerock mining may be approved. Please note the inclusion on this overlay does not guarantee that mining will be allowed, just that the location may be appropriate for limerock mining.

New Policy 10.1.2: Encourage the sale of overburden from approved limerock mines in order maximize mine use and discourage premature approval of additional mines. The way to incentive this is to keep Map 14 because according to supply and demand, if there is less limerock being mined, the limerock being mined will be worth more because there will be less in the market place. A way to ensure that mines are fully excavated (and thus reclaimed) is to monitor and guide the amount of limerock approved for mining in Lee County. This policy is can and should coexist with the retention of Map 14.

Policy 10.1.3: Is there a way to incentivize this rather than just encourage this?

Objective 10.2: Who is responsible for considering the cumulative and watershed-wide impacts of natural resource extraction operations? Is this part of the MEPD process? It does not appear to be part of Section 12-113 of the Land Development Code. If it is not, how is this to be accomplished? This sounds like excellent criteria to be weighed by the Board of County Commissioners before adding a property to Map 14.

Policy 10.2.2: What is a water budget? Is this term defined in the Lee Plan? We are not familiar with this terminology and don't understand why "water budget" is replacing "water quantity". If you prefer water budget to water quantity, please provide a definition of water budget and show how water quality will still be addressed with this modification of terminology.

Goal 33: Add the following sentence: "Recognize that a balance must be achieved between allowable land uses, as natural resource extraction is not compatible with most other uses."

Do not delete Objective 33.1. Revise Objective 33.1.

Objective 33.1 LIMEROCK MINING. Designate on a Future Land Use Map Overlay land appropriate for continued and new limerock mining. Note: presence on this overlay does not confer rights to mine limerock absent the approval of an MEPD.

Do not delete Policy 33.1.1. Revise to state:

⁴ BOCC Adoption Staff Report, CPA2018-10014, June 5, 2019, page 5 of 24

Policy 33.1.1: Limerock mining is a high disturbance activity whose effect on the surrounding area cannot be completely mitigated. It is Lee County's intent to maximize existing approved limerock mines prior to approving any new limerock mines due to the uniquely impactful effects of limerock mining. In order to be added to the limerock overlay, the following conditions must be met:

- a. Clear necessity for new mine. Clear necessity means that an applicant has provided evidence both that sufficient quantity and quality of limestone exists on their property AND that there is insufficient limerock approved in existing mines to meet demand.
- b. Lee County disavows any responsibility to provide limerock on a regional basis. Lee County will make decisions on whether to include new property on the Map 14 Limerock Overlay based on what is best for the safety and public welfare for Lee County.
- c. Inclusion on land on the Limerock Overlay does not restrict the rights of landowners to use their land for other allowable purposes.

We recognize that this language and language provided by Attorney Richard Grosso on behalf of the Florida Wildlife Federation may not fully represent all Lee County wants to achieve in balancing the need for mining with competing interests. However, we note that the provision of this language is, at a minimum, a starting point for work with your staff per your direction. We ask that your clear direction be to retain Map 14 and clarify the criteria for inclusion, and direct staff to work with stakeholders and citizens to make the Lee Plan better and stronger on this issue rather than strike it from the Lee Plan.

It is important to note that in 2010, Map 14 was adopted. This adoption was challenged by mining interests and defended by Lee County along with other parties, including the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. In 2012, an administrative law judge determined that Map 14 and its supporting policies to "balance ...mining and other competing land uses in the DR/GR...through Map 14...". 5

Any amendment to the Lee Plan must be consistent with all provisions of the Lee Plan, and consistency between all elements and provisions in the Lee Plan is a requirement by Florida State Statutes.⁶ Florida Statutes also require that the Lee Plan "guide future decisions in a consistent manner" by establishing "meaningful and predicable standards for the use and development of land". 7

One of the stated reasons for this amendment is to "remove or correct ambiguous language". 8 We have found no instance where the proposed amendments accomplish this. We remind you that the administrative law judge determined that Map 14 was based on meaningful and predictable standards and that "[b]oth the words 'clear' and 'necessity' have common meanings and contextual meaning that reasonably meaningful and predictable". 9 We note further that the staff report states that the "ambiguous and undefined language" is a "secondary question". 10 As clarifying ambiguous language is

⁵ Case 10-2988, Department of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), paragraph 71

⁶ Section 163.3177(2), Florida Statutes

⁷ Section 163.3177(1), Florida Statutes

⁸ http://www.leegov.com/dcd/planning/miningamendments

⁹ Case 10-2988, DOAH, paragraphs 108-109

¹⁰ BoCC Adoption Staff Report CPA2018-10014, page 19 of 24, dated June 5, 2019

stated as one of the reasons for the amendment, this statement is confusing. To that end, we are suggesting language, other stakeholders have suggested language and we ask that you clearly state what Map 14 should represent for Lee County limerock mining. With direction, staff can work with stakeholders and citizens to craft language that protects Lee County while balancing competing interests and needs.

Lee Plan and Mining

The Lee Plan offers guidance about mining and natural resource extraction, with an emphasis on looking at the cumulative impacts of natural resource extraction and balancing competing interests and needs. We have listed several provisions that provide guidance in our previous letters, and note that both Mr. Grosso and Mr. Brookes have done the work of showing that the Lee Plan does provide meaningful and predictable standards for the use and development of land for limerock mines. The bottom line is that the staff's conclusion is incorrect in the statement that including property on Map 14 results in no additional protections for nearby wildlife habitat, water resources and compatibility with nearby uses. 11 If a future land use map amendment is adopted, that addition must be determined by staff and by you to be consistent with the entirety of the Lee Plan. Given the guidance in the Lee Plan, it is fundamentally incorrect to state the Lee Plan provides no protections for wildlife, water, conservation, and neighbors.

Map 14 is not guidance on the in-depth details of the particular mining operation as in where the mining pits will be, how deep the mining pits will be, hours of operation or reclamation plans. Map 14 identifies if a particular site is appropriate and necessary for a new lime rock operation by balancing the need for lime rock with the public welfare and protection of natural resources. This is the oversight and guidance that the Lee Plan can and should retain 12. This fundamental question of whether a site is compatible for lime rock mining is appropriate for the Lee Plan, just in the same way that it is appropriate for a property owner to come and ask for a mapping change if they want to change the designation to industrial, commercial, or a specific category of residential. Because "mining" is not a category on the FLUM, Map 14, to our understanding, serves a similar purpose as the FLUM, to "protect natural and man-made resources". 13 Objective 2.4 of the Lee Plan specifically addresses FLUM amendments, and Policy 2.4.2 addresses FLUM amendments to the DRGR. This is more guidance in the Lee Plan on how to manage and evaluate amendments to Map 14.

Market Analysis

It is not only acceptable but reasonable to have special regulations for lime rock mining. Unlike all other land uses, mining alters the landscape forever and impacts both the property being mined as well as neighboring properties in ways that no other land use does. For that reason alone, it is reasonable and

¹¹ BoCC Adoption Staff Report CPA2018-10014, page 1 of 24, dated June 5,2019

¹²As stated in the June 6, 2019 letter from Attorney Richard Grosso to Lee County on behalf of Florida Wildlife Federation, "the purpose of the policy is to govern the location of mining – not to establish the regulations governing how mining must proceed when allowed", page 4 Lee Plan, Goal 1

responsible that Lee County would need additional information showing limerock is needed prior to approving such a disruptive and impactful activity.

Policy 33.1.4.2 clarifies why the information in Policy 33.1.4 is being required and requested. It is to provide decision makers with "critical information to use in determining whether and to what extent the Future Limerock Mining areas in Map 14 may need to be expanded".

Petitioning Elected Officials

Staff responded to the pleas to retain the ability to petition you – the commissioners - as asking for more public involvement. While we do not disagree with a public meeting held by an applicant in or near the planning area, we also know that commissioners will be prohibited from attending that meeting along with meeting with constituents, the applicant and stakeholders about any new proposed application. This is troublesome. Mining is an activity that once done, cannot be undone. Reclamation plans – even if completed – cannot return the site to pre-mining conditions.

The proposed amendments delete Map 14 from the comprehensive plan and would relegate new (and possibly existing)¹⁴ mining applications exclusively as rezoning matters. This is problematic. Mining is significant and changes the landscape forever. The public and stakeholders should have the right and the opportunity to petition their elected officials directly for projects as impactful as new limerock mines.

The ability to petition and discuss mining projects with our elected officials is significant and needs to be retained.

Conclusion

As previously stated, mining is a uniquely impactful activity. The DR/GR is a unique important area for wildlife, conservation, residential uses, agriculture, and water recharge. More and more residential uses have been approved for the DR/GR increasing the need for water recharge as well as increasing the probability that future and proposed mines will negatively impact residents, water recharge areas, flowways, and wildlife. This means that it is responsible and reasonable to ask for additional information and require a comprehensive plan amendment along with a rezoning in order to site and create a new mine.

The Lee Plan is the overarching document that addresses how to meet the requirements of the Florida Statutes, while the Land Development Code is the nuts and bolts specifics of implementing the goals, objectives, and policies laid out in the Lee Plan. The Lee Plan, in its current iteration, does the hard work

¹⁴ There appears to be confusion over whether deletion of Map 14 will impact the Troyer Brothers Mine project. We believe that it will because deletion of Map 14 will eliminate their existing comprehensive plan amendment that has been transmitted but not adopted. If Map 14 doesn't exist, there can be no amendment to Map 14. We note that Troyer Brothers (CPA2016-00006) has until September 29, 2019 to schedule their adoption hearing, as Troyer Brothers asked for and received a fourth extension for their adoption hearing. We note further that we do not believe that Troyer Brothers meets the standards set forth regarding need in the Lee Plan and thus, this application should not be adopted.

of providing a framework and requiring data in order for the County Commissioners to determine whether a site is appropriate for mining. However, we understand that Comprehensive Plans are living documents. The Lee Plan should evolve and be refined to clearly and unambiguously represent the vision for Lee County. To that end, we have suggested several language possibilities, and look forward to your direction to work with staff to refine and add to the language in order to fully implement your vision. Please note that if you vote to remove Map 14, the vision set for Lee County is to ignore the competing interests in the DRGR and to deny direct petitioning of elected officials on this extremely important issue.

Map 14 has been one of the successful ways Lee County has protected and managed competing and incompatible interests and uses in the DR/GR. Map 14 and existing Goal 33 were created over the course of many years through a very public process that included experts, residents, business owners, and stakeholders. We are asking that changes to these policies be given the same consideration. Do not allow the balance created by Map 14 and Goal 33 to be disrupted by these amendments. Please retain the data required by Policy 33.1.4 and Map 14 by voting to not transmit these amendments.

Thank you for your time in consideration of our comments, questions, and concerns.

Sincerely,

Julianne Thomas

Senior Environmental Planning Specialist

(239) 262-0304 x 252

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Michael Jacob, Deputy County Attorney, Lee County Mikki Rozdolski, Manager, Community Development Operations, Lee County Rebecca Sweigert, Principal Planner, Community Development, Lee County Mike Laskowski, Planner, Community Development, Lee County

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Sent:

Thursday, June 13, 2019 8:28 AM

To:

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From: Judith Werner < jwerner4647@gmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 4:28 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning <<u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass <<u>dist2@leegov.com</u>>; Dist3, Larry Kiker <<u>dist3@leegov.com</u>>; Dist4, Brian Hamman <<u>dist4@leegov.com</u>>; Dist5, Frank

Mann <Dist5@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the changes in CPA2018-10014

Dear Commissioner

To whom it may concern,

I have read quite a bit about your proposed elimination of two rules that help to regulate lime rock mining in our area. These rule eliminations make it very easy for the mining companies (and for Lee County) to allow additional mining when it is unclear that there is actually a need for such mining.

These proposed changes will be extremely detrimental to people living in both in the immediate area and surrounding areas. Apparently, the LEE County Commission has absolutely no regard for its citizens or their well-being.

Should this proposal be passed, it is pretty clear to me that our commissioners are not interested in getting re-elected when their terms are up. I can categorically state that neither my husband or I will be voting to return our commissioner into office again.

Sincerely, Judith Werner 19768 Tesoro Way Mrs Judith Werner jwerner4647@gmail.com 19768 Tesoro Way Estero, FLORIDA 33967

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Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Thursday, June 13, 2019 8:27 AM

To:

Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

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Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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Dear Commissioner

Sincerely, please do not permit any more mining in east Lee County. I am concerned about contamination of ground water in Lee County. Mike Thibodo

Mr Mike Thibodo <u>thibodomike@gmail.com</u> 21748 Masters Cir Estero, Florida 33928

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Dear Commissioner

Sincerely, Lena

STOP THIS MINING. WE ALREADY HAVE ENOUGH FOR NEXT 25 yrs for 7 COUNTIES. HORRIBLE N DESTRUCTIVE TO OUR HOMES, WWTER, WILDLIFE ETC. Weve been thru this. STOP THE MINING!!!

Ms lena boles forkedriverhere@aol.com grassy pine dr Estero, Florida 33928

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From: Mary Jill Brannigan <mjbrannig@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 7:29 AM

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speeding. Of course, if they hit you, you are gone. They are massive trucks, and you don't have a chance. Deaths will increase.

Our health will be impacted as demonstrated by this NIH study done published in 2009. https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/06XACrkqllt8BPjNS7g3g7?domain=ncbi.nlm.nih.gov It shows an increase in respiratory symptoms and diseases near mining areas due to increase of particulates in the air. This will affect children, and adults, with asthma, allergies, and bronchitis. This will also affect adults with chronic lung conditions, including COPD. The study also shows that Nausea/vomiting increased due to increase of diesel fuel in the area. With all the development in Eastern Lee County, this will impact the health of our residents.

Based on the above, we are opposed to elimination of two key DR/GR lime rock mining rules as it will greatly diminish our quality of life, and put us, and our love ones, at increased risk for death on our roads. We moved to Florida for the quality of life, not to have our health, and wellness, worsen. Thank you.

Sincerely, Mary Jill Brannigan

Mrs Mary Jill Brannigan <u>mjbrannig@gmail.com</u> 20253 Black Tree Ln Estero, FL 33928

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Thursday, June 13, 2019 12:37 PM

To:

Rozdolski, Mikki: Loveland, David: Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item: CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining - Final Approval

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 11:38 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item: CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining – Final Approval

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Bruce Hobbs < b4hobber@gmail.com > Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 11:01 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com >; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass < dist2@leegov.com >; Dist4, Brian Hamman

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item: CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining – Final Approval

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By eliminating both the Alico Road Corridor mine location standard and the requirement that new mines are to be allowed on a basis of clear necessity following a scientifically based supply and demand analysis, these amendments will allow lime rock mining anywhere and at any time, regardless of real need.

There is no urgent need to change the Comprehensive Plan, which has served the citizens of Lee County well for over ten years. Furthermore, according to an analysis commissioned by the non-profit, Captains for Clean Water, "there is no analysis whatsoever in support of the proposed amendments other than to an "historic practice." So who do these changes benefit? Only developers.

Therefore, please oppose the proposed amendments to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan. Thank you, Bruce and Roberta Hobbs. 27416 Arbor Strand Drive. Bonita Springs. Fl 34134

From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Friday, June 14, 2019 7:43 AM

To:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Amendments to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 2:57 PM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Amendments to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Karen Orman < kso4321@comcast.net > Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 2:36 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com >; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass < dist2@leegov.com >; Dist4, Brian Hamman

<<u>dist4@leegov.com</u>>; Dist5, Frank Mann <<u>Dist5@leegov.com</u>>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Amendments to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan

Dear Commissioners

I am having difficulty discerning the reason for the proposed amendments to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan.

It appears that the amendments would create more water pollution pressures on our downstream estuaries by allowing lime rock mining anywhere. They would also increase traffic congestion by having dump trucks and cars sharing the same lanes.

I fail to understand how these measures will benefit the County residents.

Thank you for your consideration in voting against these amendments.

Sincerely,

Karen Orman Bonita Springs

From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Friday, June 14, 2019 7:44 AM

To:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: Response to propose amendments to Lee County Comprehensive Plan

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 2:57 PM

To: Dunn, Brandon

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Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Helene Scolnick < helenescolnick@hotmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 2:36 PM

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Upstream water quality and land resource conservation efforts will be weakened, creating more water pollution pressures on our downstream estuaries, with negative impacts on our tourism and hospitality industry, and quality of life.

According to the FDOT, increasing the number of limerock mines in Lee County will increase the traffic congestion on our roads. "Most of these areas are currently served by a limited capacity roadway network resulting in heavy freight vehicles (dump trucks) and automobiles sharing lanes. The blending of dump trucks and local trips may create congestion and operational inefficiencies within the roadway network."

Thank you Frank Mann for you down vote on this issue.

There is no urgent need to change the Comprehensive Plan, which has served the citizens of Lee County well for over ten years.

Thank you for your attention.

Helene Scolnick 4731 Bonita Bay Blvd #1901 Bonita Springs, FL 34134

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June 15, 2019

Lee County Commissioners 2120 Main Street Ft Myers Fl 33901

Dear Commission Manning,

The matter regarding adoption of a change in the Lee County regulations on mining is of critical importance to both incorporated and unincorporated municipalities. Development regulation and its implementation critically effects communities which lie to the south and west of county governed areas.

The density and disturbance restrictions that historically have been placed on the DRGR area have been the first line of protection for our water supply. Aggregating potential mining operations to one area as defined by Map 14 in the current regulation is an essential part of that protection.

Bonita Springs postponed a regularly scheduled Council meeting to allow council members to participate as speakers when this issue was addressed by the BOCC. At its meeting the commission voted to disregard well researched concerns about the change. Since Bonita Springs has not postponed our upcoming council meeting, I cannot personally appeal for your reconsideration of this matter on Wednesday, but my position remains the same. Keep the Map 14 regulation in place.

It is disappointing that you did not allow, at a minimum, a requested decision postponement in order to fully discuss the legitimate concerns that were raised by hundreds of your constituents. Please redress this wrong by not adopting this change in the mining regulation.

Yours truly,

Amy Quaremba

Bonita Springs Council, District 1

From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent: To: Friday, June 14, 2019 8:26 AM

Subject:

Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet FW: [EXTERNAL] Lee Plan Mining Amendments

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 7:53 AM

To: Loveland, David

Cc: Dunn, Brandon; Rozdolski, Mikki

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Lee Plan Mining Amendments

FYI

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Pete Cangialosi < pcangialosi@comcast.net >

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 7:09 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning <Dist1@leegov.com>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass <dist2@leegov.com>; Dist4, Brian Hamman

<dist4@leegov.com>; Dist5, Frank Mann < Dist5@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Lee Plan Mining Amendments

Dear Commissioners:

Ref: Proposed Lee Comprehensive Plan Mining Amendments

Lee County currently has a Comprehensive Plan that lays out an orderly and researched process for smart and appropriate development. It allows that development in a wise manner that many knowledgeable people in the past have discussed, debated, and agreed to. A relevant component of the Lee Plan regarding mining was even litigated with the County prevailing.

However, your Board has been pushing through changes to the Comp Plan without regard to the desires and reasonable arguments of your constituents and various stakeholder groups, with the exception of development and mining interests. Those people and groups have been trying to alert you and Lee County residents that those changes are detrimental to our greater good, i.e., our quality of life.

You've been changing the rules of the game to the benefit of a select few players. Those same rules are those which home buyers were originally told that smart development would occur under in Lee County. We based our decisions to buy homes in Lee County on those rules that you are now yanking from beneath under our feet.

The ten-fold increase of residential density in the DR/GR along Corkscrew Rd and the unleashing of where mines can be located as a result of the deletion of Map 14 of the Lee Plan by the County are just two examples.

Please keep the interests of your constituents at heart and vote NO to the mining amendments on June 19. Keep Lee County a place that our people want to live in.

Peter Cangialosi 13586 San Georgio Dr. Estero, FL 33928

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Friday, June 14, 2019 9:54 AM

To:

Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Comments re: CPA2018-10014

Attachments:

CPA2018-10014 comments.pdf

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 9:27 AM

To: Loveland, David

Cc: Dunn, Brandon; Rozdolski, Mikki

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Comments re: CPA2018-10014

FYI

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From: Ken Gooderham < kengooderham@comcast.net>

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 9:10 AM

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comments re: CPA2018-10014

June 14, 2019

RE: CPA2018-10014

Commissioners:

As I am unable to attend the June 19 hearing on the limerock mining amendments I wanted to share my comments in advance.

I have reviewed summaries and methodologies of the Dover Kohl plan for Southeast Lee County, an extensive report just barely a decade old. I have looked at the existing (and extensive) Lee Plan protections for the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) area.

And I am at a loss to understand what is driving the county's push to remove those protections and abandon the findings of that report to expand limerock mining in the DR/GR area. The science has not changed. The objections of the surrounding residents has not changed. The demand for limerock has not changed.

I guess what has changed is the political will to support the Lee Plan, sound land-use planning and environmental preservation.

Mining is a very intensive use, the expansion of which is inappropriate with the conservation and residential land uses in the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) Area. That's why is was smart to limit mining activities to the Alico Road corridor, which is what the county is seeking to overturn with these amendments. If approved, this Lee Plan amendment opens the flood gates to expand mining throughout Southeast Lee County, directly impacting the quality of life of thousands of residents in Estero and Bonita Springs every day the mines are in operation—from cracks in homes due to mining explosions, to the never ending parade of trucks on local roadways creating noise, health, safety, and traffic issues.

Communities adjacent to the DR/GR Area could also feel negative impacts from the increase in mining activity proposed by these amendments, in terms of groundwater, traffic, noise and environmental concerns. In addition, the quality and quantity of our water resources are threatened countywide, and the water quality of vital estuaries will be further impaired. The impacts from mining directly or indirectly affect all citizens in the county.

The county says federal and state regulations are sufficient to protect our water quality. Last summer's disastrous assault on our river and coastlines indicates those protections are far too weak to be effective. The county should be doing more – not less – to protect water recharge, wildlife habitat and surface flow ways – the exact reasons the DR/GR was instituted.

There is no economic need for additional lime rock mining at this time, as experts have determined that the current resources being mined can fill this area's lime rock needs for more than 20 years. As the current supply dwindles, the county can then permit new mines as appropriate.

County staff argue that "economic necessity" is "contrary to a free-market economy" and "is a non-traditional regulation that has been historically applied." However, with a land use as intensive and destructive as mining, it is wholly appropriate that government weigh economic necessity against the potential impact of mining to the community and its natural resources (a publicly held asset) as a protection to the common good.

Economic necessity is regularly assessed in government regulation as related to natural resources (e.g. marinas), public resources (e.g. hospital beds and similar medical facilities) and community impact (e.g. a zoning system that weighs intensity and compatibility in adjacent uses). To use it to regulate mining makes perfect sense.

There is a sound and reasonable policy in place today to allow the destructive (but necessary) practice of lime rock mining to continue in the DR/GR Area in a way that balances the need for construction materials against the long-held purpose of the DR/GR designation – to encourage groundwater recharge and preserve long-term low-density land uses in the southeast portion of the county. Mining and subsequent restoration could continue as needed and new mines could be allowed once the need for more material was evident (and the damage from old mines was mitigated). That approach balances private rights with public needs and environmental protection.

To abandon this sound planning approach without justification, without assessing the potential damages and without meaningful public input makes a sham of the comprehensive land use planning process at the same as it threatens water quality, wildlife habitat and aquifer recharge, it also jeopardizes the certainty for other areas of the county to know that their long-term planning protections will actually remain in place should they ever conflict with a developer's desires to maximize their profits at the expense of the community's quality of life.

The reason certain protections are placed in the Lee Plan is due to the legal standing and amendment difficulty afforded by the comprehensive land use plan process. Relying on language in the easily amendable Land Development Code by eliminating (without replacement) existing regulation of mining activities in the Lee Plan just makes further weakening of mining regulation that much easier.

Improving and maintaining quality of life is an economic necessity, both to grow a diverse economy as well as to maintain a tourist-based one. The role of our elected leaders is to improve the livability of Lee County so we can attract the businesses and skilled workers needed to grow – not change the rules to benefit a few landowners at the expense of the entire community.

If this amendment is approved (as appears to be the case despite the objection of thousands of residents and voters) the lesson county residents will draw from this is that this county administration will no longer support and defend the Lee Plan. If someone has deep enough pockets to file enough lawsuits, hire enough lawyers and make enough donations, they can intimidate the county into backing down from prudent planning, smart science and empty promises to protect the environment and our quality of life.

Ken Gooderham 5460 Beaujolais Lane Fort Myers, FL 33919

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Friday, June 14, 2019 10:55 AM

To: Subject:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet FW: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR Lime Rock Mining

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 10:15 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR Lime Rock Mining

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Jill Brannigan < mjbrannig@gmail.com >

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 10:01 AM

To: ribble@estero-fl.gov; Jim Wilson wilson@estero-fl.gov; Dist1, John Manning Dist1@leegov.com; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass dist2@leegov.com; Dist5, Frank Mann Dist5@leegov.com> Subject: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR Lime Rock Mining

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Sincerely, Mary Jill Brannigan

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June 18, 2019

Brian Hamman, Vice-Chair Lee County Board of Commissioners 2120 Main Street Fort Myers, FL 33901 Sent by email

RE: Audubon opposition to CPA2018-10014 Limerock Mining adoption

Dear Vice-Chair Hamman and Commissioners:

On behalf of Audubon Florida, its Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary in Lee and Collier Counties, Audubon Western Everglades and Audubon of Southwest Florida (collectively, "Audubon"), I am writing to express Audubon's opposition to adopting the proposed Lee Plan amendments in CPA2018-10014 regarding land use policies on limerock mining. Audubon has actively participated in the formulation of the existing Lee Plan rock mining policies over the past decade because of the importance of finding reasonably appropriate places in Lee County to permit rock mines without harming existing residential neighborhoods, incompatible land uses such as the private 13,000 acre Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary, public and private wetland and habitat mitigation and conservation lands, and public interests in clean water and other natural resources. After review of these proposed amendments to existing rock mining policies in the comprehensive plan, Audubon objects to their adoption because they clearly conflict with the above-mentioned public and private property and natural resources interests.

Directing Incompatible Land Uses Away from Homes and Natural Resources

The current Lee Plan policies, including Map 14, appropriately give clear guidance on siting a land use that is largely incompatible with most other adjacent land uses. Locational criteria and policies on land use is a crucial role that local governments play through their legislative authority and publicly visible in their comprehensive land use plans. Removing this clear guidance is counter to the public interest in

understanding how their homes, neighborhoods, and public resources like clean water and quality of life will be protected from incompatible land uses. Audubon participated in the Limerock Mining Task Force in 2008 and 2009, bringing our research and land management experience from Corkscrew Swamp to the table. The effort was focused on the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource Area of southeast Lee County because of the clear land use conflicts that regularly arose between existing neighborhoods, conservation lands and public natural resources, especially clean water. Map 14 and its supporting siting criteria for rock mines was a reasonable Lee Plan policy outcome from that work. Removing these siting criteria and Map 14 threatens the reasonable balance achieved in the current Lee Plan policies.

Less Public Participation and Protection for Public Interests in the Rezoning Process vs. Comprehensive Plan Amendment Process

The proposed amendments would elevate the role of the rezoning process as the primary means for public review and vetting of any newly proposed limerock mines. That process is intimidating to many members of the public and prohibits direct communication with citizens' commissioners. Additionally, it reduces the opportunities to revise and improve any proposed mining application. As noted above, intensive, industrial land uses like rock mining should have the clearest and highest authority siting criteria of any land uses in the county – that authority is the comprehensive land use plan and not just the rezoning process under land development code details.

Demonstration of Limerock Needs is Important

Local governments are wise and even expected to most stringently regulate the most intensive, industrial land uses such and limerock mining. An important facet of that regulation is the requirement for rock mining applicants to demonstrate need using a professionally acceptable methodology. It also is intrinsic to the effective implementation of the locational requirements shown on Map 14. Without requiring a demonstration of need for rock, the limitation of where rock mines can go is less effective.

Limerock Mines Can Threaten Lee County's Water Quality and Wetlands

After more than a year of devastating harmful algal blooms in southwest Florida in 2018, it is even more imperative that Lee County be as proactive as possible in maintaining or restoring hydrologic functions in all its watersheds. These networks of wetlands and flowways are Nature's most effective way to attenuate and cleanse stormwater. Without healthy wetlands and watersheds, stormwater rushes to the estuaries and coastal waters, laden with nutrients and other pollutants washed quickly off the impacted landscapes. Rock mines have been shown to impact groundwater and wetland integrity so exerting the maximum authority over their siting is critical to the interests of all Lee County citizens. Audubon water level data at Corkscrew Swamp for the past 60 years clearly demonstrate that land uses in the region since about 2000 have significantly lowered surface water levels in every dry season now. That not only harms wetlands and clean water supply, it increases the risk of catastrophic wildfires in areas like Lehigh Acres and southeast Lee County. Thus, Audubon strongly views the retention of current Lee Plan rock mining policies and siting criteria as the most authoritative articulation of the intent to

protect water resources and rural neighborhoods vulnerable to future rock mining and resulting hydrologic impacts.

Conclusion

Audubon strongly recommends not adopting the proposed Lee Plan amendments in CPA2018-10014 on limerock mining policies. The basis for our recommendation is that current Lee Plan policies are effective in directing the intensive, industrial land use of rock mining away from water and wetland resources, including especially those of Audubon's Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary and the vital CREW lands, as well as existing rural residential neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Bradley Cornell

Southwest Florida Policy Associate

Audubon Florida and Audubon Western Everglades;

Hordley Cornell

Conservation Chair for Audubon Southwest Florida

From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent: To: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:09 AM

Subject:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet FW: IEXTERNAL1 Mining

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:08 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Mining

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Kathryn McKenney < mckate 3771@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 5:59 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning <<u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass <<u>dist2@leegov.com</u>>; Dist3, Larry Kiker <<u>dist3@leegov.com</u>>; Dist4, Brian Hamman <<u>dist4@leegov.com</u>>; Dist5, Frank Mann <<u>Dist5@leegov.com</u>>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mining

Dear County Commissioners,

I want to let you know that I do not agree with your plan to overturn the current Mining Map 14 Plan nor to do away with the requirement for market studies. The Map14 overlay protects the environment – wild or developed and is not easily overturned by the courts. Market studies are critical to the issue of supply and demand of lime rock. How else will the need be qualified and quantified? By the developers? I can see by the collective actions of this current board that listening to the residents is not high on the list of the board priorities, hopefully we may see some changes to your future actions.

Sincerely,

K McKenney

17850 Caloosa Rd, Alva, FL

239-634-6709

From: Dunn, Brandon

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:16 AM

To: Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Changes to Rock Mining Policies

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Changes to Rock Mining Policies

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Allyson Webb <a webb2000@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 7:39 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Changes to Rock Mining Policies

Good morning Commissioner Manning,

Please keep the current rock mining policies in the Lee Plan and don't approve the amendments before you this Wednesday. The current plan keeps rock mines away from Corkscrew Swamp, CREW water resources, and homes along the Corkscrew Road corridor. It is tin the long-term best interest of the current and future residents of Lee County.

Sincerely, Allyson Webb

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:15 AM

To: Subject:

Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet FW: [EXTERNAL] Changes to the Lee Plan

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Changes to the Lee Plan

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Marilyn Edwards < ofangos@aol.com > Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:42 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com >; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass < dist2@leegov.com >; Dist4, Brian Hamman

<dist4@leegov.com>

Cc: Dist5, Frank Mann < <u>Dist5@leegov.com</u>>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Changes to the Lee Plan

Dear Commissioners Hamman, Manning and Pendergrass:

I'm unable to attend your June 19 meeting so I'm writing to ask you to please reconsider the proposed changes to the Lee Plan which would allow additional mining in the DRGR.

I do not live next to the proposed mining area, however, mining is an issue which affects *all* of us living in Southwest Florida because it results in permanent scars to our landscape.

How many mines are too many before compromising our water resources? Southwest Florida experienced an environmental catastrophe last year and we're again seeing our water quality being affected. Our environment is very fragile and all of your efforts should be geared toward preventing actions which would have a negative impact.

We all know that the biggest economic driver in Southwest Florida is tourism, which is dependent on clean water in our tributaries, bays and beaches, as well as an abundant wildlife....all of which would be negatively impacted by this change.

Mine pits in the DRGR present a serious threat to our environment as this land encompasses both county- and state-owned conservation lands. These lands must be protected for our drinking water supply...cleansing water that flows into Estero Bay...and much needed wildlife foraging areas.

Allowing additional mines in this area would certainly have an adverse effect on our local residents due to the noise, dust, and excessive truck traffic associated with mining; trucks which would be traveling on a "failing" road.

I live in The Brooks in Estero, which is downstream from this area. If the DRGR is opened to more mining, our chances for flooding will be increased, our water will not be as clean, and our wildlife will certainly be affected.

We cannot continue to dismantle the DR/GR without adversely affecting our critical drinking water supplies, polluting our waterways and losing more of our precious wildlife.

Please protect our fragile environment.

Marilyn Edwards 9240 Spring Run Blvd. Estero, FL 34135 239-949-3379

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:15 AM

To:

Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Mining

----Original Message----

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Mining

Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
District 1
239-533-2224

----Original Message----

From: James Collier <<u>jwclawyer@yahoo.com</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 10:27 AM
To: Dist1, John Manning <<u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mining

John, I'm a constituent and am heavily invested in Lee county.

PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THE MINING AMENDMENT!!

Hope to see you at the Waterkeeper's event next Monday evening at Broadway Palm Theatre. If you haven't seen that film, you surely should.

Thx. Jim Collier

Sent from a fishing dock in Florida

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From: Dunn, Brandon

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:15 AM

To: Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item: CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining – Final Approval

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item: CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining – Final Approval

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: MB Borre <<u>shoozelda@mac.com</u>> Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 9:42 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item: CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining - Final Approval

Dear Commissioner Manning, I am writing to ask you to vote again the final approval of CPA2018-10014, Limerock Mining amendments,

At a time when the entire region is concerned about water quality, water supply, and degradation of wetlands, this proposal goes in the wrong direction.

There is no urgent need to change the Comprehensive Plan, which has served the citizens of Lee County well for over ten years.

According to an analysis commissioned by the non-profit, Captains for Clean Water, "there is no analysis whatsoever in support of the proposed amendments other than to an "historic practice." So who do these changes benefit? Only developers.

The Comprehensive Plan seems clear that "no rezoning or other development order allowing limerock mining may be issued for a parcel of land that has not been placed on Map 14." (Florida Wildlife Federation letter June 6, 2019)

I do not understand why the Commission would vote against the interests of preserving our water supply and the preservation of the DR/GR, for the future of Lee County.

Thank you for your consideration, Mary Beth Borré 26170 Isle Way Bonita Springs FL 34134

From: Dunn, Brandon

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:15 AM

To: Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

Subject: FW: Limerock mining

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: Limerock mining

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Deb Jeff Hodroff < jeffdebh@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 12:22 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com >; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass < dist2@leegov.com >; Dist4, Brian Hamman

<dist4@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Limerock mining

Attn Commissioners: We are not in favor of removing Map 14. The laws that you already approved giving us Map 14 as the places where this mining can happen was an excellent idea and we have been very happy with the way things are currently.

Do not ignore your constituents please. Voting for limerock mining and opening up the county to this destructive mining is a bad idea. Vote against these changes tomorrow (Wednesday 6/19/19). Please.....

Jeff and Debra Hodroff Estero, Florida 33928

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From: Dunn, Brandon

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:15 AM

To: Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Limerick Mining Vote

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:12 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Limerick Mining Vote

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Charlotte Veaux <<u>cveaux@aol.com</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 12:23 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning <<u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Limerick Mining Vote

Dear Commissioner Manning:

Please reconsider your vote on the Comp Plan Amendment Limerick Mining. Please vote no for the quality of life in Lee County and for the all voters that are opposed to this amendment. I speak for the wild animals that will displaced by these mines for they cannot speak against it so I speak for all of them and to prevent all the destructive land use these mines will procure.

A bigger compelling reason to vote no is that right now we have enough mines in place to provide for all our mining needs. The many mining experts say we do not need new mines in Lee County. And putting a mine so close to houses is a shame. Please keep Map 14 in place and everything that goes with it.

Sincerely, Carl Veaux 3705 SE 3 rd Place Cape Coral, FL 33904 239-549-7265

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:15 AM

To:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Mining Amendments

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:12 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Mining Amendments

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Michele Bellinger < shellbellinger17@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 1:36 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning < <u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mining Amendments

Dear Mr. Manning,

On behalf of CCFW and as a concerned resident, I beseech you to vote NO on the mining amendments and keep Map 14 in the Lee County plan.

Thanks so very much, Michele Bellinger

14510 Farrington Way, unit 202 Fort Myers, FL 33912 609-214-7195

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To:

Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] No on MINING

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:12 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] No on MINING

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Karen Montgomery <martsplace1109@aol.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 1:39 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] No on MINING

My husband and I oppose the change to the Comprehensive Plan.

Protect our DR/GR. More mines NOT NEEDED>

Karen and Martin Montgomery

4101 Sawgrass Point Dr. #201 Bonita Springs, FL 34134

(765) 977-1323

karenm1109@gmail.com

Sent from AOL Desktop

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From: Dunn, Brandon

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To: Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet **Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Please vote No on Map 14 issue

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:12 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Please vote No on Map 14 issue

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Nora Egan < noraegen@gmail.com > Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 5:19 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please vote No on Map 14 issue

Commisssioner Manning,

Please vote NO on Removing the Map 14 overlay.

Out paradis, and economic vitality depends on retain the natural lands to serve as the kidneys for the planet.

We need clean water!

Nora Egan Demers

...civic engagement for a sustainable future...

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To:

Loveland, David; Rozdolski, Mikki; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: Map 14

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:11 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon **Subject:** FW: Map 14

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Michael E. Roeder <mroeder@knott-law.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 10:24 PM

To: Dist1, John Manning < Dist1@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Map 14

Dear John,

I will not be attending the public hearing tomorrow regarding the elimination of Map 14 from the Lee Plan. I am leaving for Minnesota in the morning to attend my 50th College Reunion, and that will be a better use of my time. But I do want to take the opportunity to beseech you to deny this amendment.

Fifteen years ago T. Hart and I successfully opposed the approval of new mines along Corkscrew Rd. on the theory that there was more than enough limerock land available in the Alico Rd. corridor to meet the area's needs for many decades. This argument was subsequently documented and codified in the Spikowski study that was adopted by the County Commission and upheld in later court challenges. The idea that the County would now undo all of that good work is incomprehensible from a legal, planning or political standpoint. Why would you want to do that and cause so much landscape impact, anxiety and congestion?

I sat in your seat thirty eight years ago, and I understand the constant contention between development and environmental/community interests. Your challenge is to identify and support a reasonable compromise between these two important interests. In this case the compromise should be clear. Keep Map 14 and revisit

it when there is a real documented need for more limerock. Please do the right thing and deny this amendment. Thanks for your many years of service.

Best regards,

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From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:14 AM

To:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Limerock Mining, CPA2018-10014

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:11 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Limerock Mining, CPA2018-10014

Stacey Rohland

Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners District 1 239-533-2224

From: Steven Brodkin <<u>steveb239@aol.com</u>> Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 10:51 PM

To: Dist5, Frank Mann < <u>Dist5@leegov.com</u>>; Dist1, John Manning < <u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass < dist2@leegov.com>; Dist4, Brian Hamman < dist4@leegov.com>

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MortonPalm@yahoo.com; singl2630@aol.com; sat300@aol.com; lasalareen@gmail.com; nfmcitizen@gmail.com;

jean1sshc@att.net; dletourneau35@gmail.com

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Limerock Mining, CPA2018-10014

RE: CPA2018-10014 Limerock Mining

Lee County Commissioners,

You've heard from environmental groups, elected officials from the local cities, civic organizations, attorneys, county residents, and newspaper editorials, op-ed's, and letters to the editor. You've heard all of the reasons why the Limerock Mining amendment should not be adopted. We ask that you consider all of the comment and vote no on CPA2018-10014.

Thank you,
Steve Brodkin
CCBC
Concerned Citizens of Bayshore Community

From:

Dunn, Brandon

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 3:13 PM

To:

Rozdolski, Mikki; Loveland, David; Miller, Janet

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the changes in CPA2018-10014

----Original Message----

From: Rohland, Stacey

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 10:01 AM

To: Dunn, Brandon

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the changes in CPA2018-10014

Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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----Original Message----

From: Debra High <<u>debraskygirl@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 9:03 AM

To: Dist1, John Manning <<u>Dist1@leegov.com</u>>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass <<u>dist2@leegov.com</u>>; Dist3, Larry Kiker <<u>dist3@leegov.com</u>>; Dist4, Brian Hamman <<u>dist4@leegov.com</u>>; Dist5, Frank

Mann <Dist5@leegov.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] I oppose the changes in CPA2018-10014

Dear Commissioner

To the Lee County Commission,

It is imperative that limerock mining be prohibited to protect our water resources and the environment. Limerock mining would have serious long lasting devastating impacts on our county. The vast majority of citizens are opposed to mining. It is your job to represent the majority and prevent the inevitable.

Sincerely, Debra High

Ms Debra High
debraskygirl@gmail.com
923 SW 15th Pl
Cape Coral, Florida 33991