COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & BUILDING
Trevor Keith, *Department Director*

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

WHO: County of San Luis Obispo

WHAT: A Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the **DRC2019-00132 Rocky Canyon Quarry Expansion CUP** is complete and available for public review and comment. The document addresses the environmental impacts that may be associated with activities related to the implementation of the project. The Environmental Coordinator, after completion of the Initial Study, finds that there is substantial evidence that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment, and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report is not necessary. Therefore, a Mitigated Negative Declaration (pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., and CA Code of Regulations Section 15000 et seq.) has been issued on **October 15th, 2026**. Mitigation measures are proposed to address impacts associated with **Biological Resources, Geology and Soils, Toxic and Hazardous Materials, Water Quality, Water Supply, and Land Use and Planning,** and will be included as conditions of approval.

PROJECT: The proposed project is Request by CalPortland for a Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") to expand quarry operations at their Rocky Canyon Quarry to include Phases 3, 4 and 5 as set forth in the 2002 Rocky Canyon Quarry Specific Plan ("Specific Plan"). The proposed expansion will result in an area of disturbance of about 82 acres and would enable the extraction and processing of an additional 30,843,000 cubic yards (67,854,600 tons) of aggregate which would extend the 'life' of the quarried products by about 57 years. The project also includes a request to amend condition No.37 of the Development Plan/Reclamation Plan to alter the design standard for interim graded slopes to reduce the bench width from 15 feet to 12.5 feet. The site consists of three lots of record with a combined area of 286.5 acres located about one mile southeast of the City of Atascadero on Rocky Canyon Road within the El Pomar/Estrella Sub-Area of the North County Planning Area. The project site is within the Agriculture and Rural Lands land use categories and is subject to the Extractive Resource Area combining designation.

WHERE: Copies of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and all of the associated documents referenced in the Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review at the County of San Luis Obispo Department of Planning and Building, **976 Osos Street, County Government Center Room 300, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408 and also on our website at https://sanluisobispocountyca-energovweb.tylerhost.net/apps/selfservice#/plan/d57231d6-b7c0-4fe4-ae3e-ccdd9a9ab8a1.**

HOW TO COMMENT OR GET MORE INFORMATION:

Anyone interested in commenting on the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration should email your comments or questions to **Eric Tolle** Project Manager, at **etolle@co.slo.ca.us** or mail your written comments to the County of San Luis Obispo Department of Planning and Building at 976 Osos St., Rm 300, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408. The 30-day public review period for this Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration begins **October 15, 2026,** and ends **November 13, 2026.** Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the review period to be considered. The County of San Luis Obispo will hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration. The hearing for this project has not been scheduled.

DATED: **10/14/2026**