

The Upper Coos River Water Association

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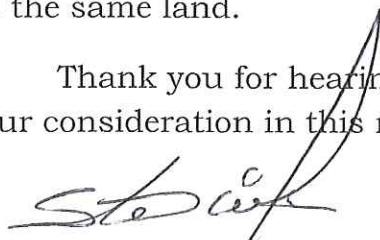
To whom it may concern,

My name is Steve Winfrey and I am the President of the Upper Coos River Water Association(UCRWA). This letter is intended to address a concern for the proposed application to reopen the Smith Quarry and the expansion of the boundary of operation - Item A - File # HBCU-19-001.

This letter is one of many community concerns and is submitted on behalf of our Water Association . The UCRWA consists of over ten property owners which border the property the Smith Quarry is located on. As an association, we feel the reopening of the Smith Quarry will cause hardship on the nearby residents. The main concerns are in reference to the environmental disturbance this will cause to the natural resources supplying the association residents as well as the disturbance to the peace in the area on Solari road, Sunshine lane and South Coos River Lane.

In addition, The UCRWA has an ongoing dispute with the Smith family over water consumption and usage from small creeks in the area. If the Smith Quarry reopened, it is a concern that the water used to supply the mining operation would come from the same water supply that our neighbors are using for domestic rights and otherwise. This would draw from the same watershed as the UCRWA and could exhaust the water supply in the whole area, especially during the dry summer months. As it stands, the Smith family has already made many complaints about limited water for their stock in the summer. As well as turned water off from neighbors when the nearby creeks are low. We are concerned that not only would our water continue to be shut off but, actually be run dry by a commercial operation like the Quarry opening on the same land.

Thank you for hearing my and my associations concerns, we appreciate your consideration in this matter.



Steve Winfrey; Upper Coos River Water Association President

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