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To: The Board of Supervisors

From: Jennifer Freeman, Hirschdale Resident, Truckee, CA

Re: Boca Quarry Expansion Project

Date: October 7, 2019

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a resident of the Hirschdale community in Truckee, California. I am writing you today to see if you would consider supporting the Reduced Alternative project for the Boca Quarry Expansion Project. During the Planning Commission meeting in August, one of the arguments made by the representative from Teichart was that if the county allows for the expansion of the Boca quarry, the county would have access to a "local option for aggregate" and therefore be less expensive than if the aggregate was purchased in other near-by sites. If we are truly going to save taxpayers money by opening this quarry location, I think it would be important for you as board members to see the hard numbers to see if that is the case. There is no guarantee that Teichart would set prices lower than the other sources of aggregate, and therefore there would be no cost saving benefit to us as taxpayers for building projects.

My more pressing concern after reading the impact study and listening to the presentation given during the planning commission meeting in August is the fact that the people of Truckee have to live with the "significant and unavoidable impacts" of this project. We will be the ones living with these environmental impacts for 30 years while Teichart, a private company, makes a profit. It leaves me wondering if the benefits of expanding the Boca quarry project outweigh the environmental and health risks it will have the citizens living near and around the site for the next 30 years.

My hope is that you will consider what is truly best for the citizens of Truckee for the next 30 years and whether there is a real need for the expansion of mining in this area of our county.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Jennifer Freeman*