Tom,

I am a neighbor to the Huttinga pit on the bench above in the Little Bear Subdivision. Although the pit negatively impacts my property and quality of life in a number of ways, I am going to focus on the noise, and specifically the noise of the rock crusher.

I see in the Huttinga CUP application that no plan for noise mitigation is addressed. Mr. Huttinga could be a better neighbor to the residents around the pit by either using a bigger crusher and running for limited hours, or enclosing the crusher with sound mitigation screens. Because of the topography here, residents along Bear Crossing Road in Little Bear have a sound magnification effect from being upslope from the pit. The combination of gravel trucks pulling into the pit, the back-up beepers, and the crusher and the worst days are around 80 decibels on my property. And that is 40 hrs a week of 60-80 decibels. The stress from this level of constant hammering noise is enormous.

I invite you to come and visit and see the impact of the pit for me and my neighbors on the N. side of Little Bear Subdivision.

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