STONEY TRAIL AGGREGATE RESOURCE

Update on activities at Stoney Trail

Based on the input provided at a community meeting held on Feb 8th 2008, BLV in cooperation with South Rock and R-Bee have begun work on the following initiatives in order to reduce the noise being generated by the activities at Stoney Trail:

Operational Actions

- 1) A new generating plant has been brought to the site in order to power the R-Bee crusher. This generator is enclosed in a trailer and has an improved muffling system. The generator which was being used was not enclosed. This change took place on February 19, and will remain in place until such time as the R-Bee crusher relocates to an operational area deeper into the excavation where the depth of the work area provides an improved barrier against the escape of noise.
- 2) Back-up alarms on all mobile equipment will be replaced with silent strobes for use at night.
- 3) Dozer activity on stockpiles will be limited to the daytime.

Follow Up

As discussed at the community meeting, a City of Calgary bylaw officer did come out to do noise measurements during the week of Febraury 11th - 15th. It was determined based on these measurements that noise levels were within acceptable limits as laid out in city bylaws. This seems to reinforce the monitoring data from the BLV monitoring station which shows a slight increase in noise levels but nothing out of compliance.

(*There were two exceedances recorded in January but they were very slight and it must be remembered that the BLV monitoring station is ¼ mile inside the property line and within the sound berms around the perimeter of the property.)

Going Forward

BLV looks forward to seeing what positive impact these changes have on our noise emissions. As always, our monitoring results will be posted on our website. Due to data collection and reporting time, this is typically three weeks following the end of a month.

A second noise and dust monitoring station is still on track for spring. This should help to further identify the impacts that operations at Stoney Trail are having on our neighbors and help to guide us on focusing our improvement actions.

Sincerely,

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