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Ms. Harper,
Please find the answers to your questions submitted June 11, 2019.

1. Would the Planning Commission/ Grass Lake Township Board consider adopting the Waterloo Township Gravel and Sand Pit Ordinance which provides unannounced on site inspections, bonds to protect resident's properties (air, water, soil), reclamation of the land and fines/ penalties? I gave this 29 page ordinance to Jim Stormont back on January 8th, 2019.

GLCT: The Planning Commission is in the process of reviewing, and possibly modifying, the Removal and Processing of Topsoil, Stone, Rock, Water, Sand, Gravel, Lime or Other Soil or Mineral Resources Section of the Zoning Ordinance. Other Local Government Gravel Pit Ordinances are being also being reviewed as part of this activity, including the cited Waterloo Township Ordinance. Bonding requirements, surprise inspections, or extended penalties are among multiple options being reviewed.

2. Will the Planning Commission/ Grass Lake Township Board consider conducting an evaluation of the dust, noise, water - (West Edge Creek/ wetlands) in the summer - late July / August, 2019 to get an accurate assessment of data?

GLCT: No. Environmental evaluation data requests from neutral parties (like the Planning Commission) will not be honored or action taken by environmental issue determining/enforcement agencies; viz. the Michigan EGLE, formerly the Department of Environmental Quality.

3. Will the Planning Commission/ Grass Lake Township Board consider placing a vehicle counter near the Bohne Rd Gravel pit's entrance during the Summer, 2019, to obtain an accurate count of the number of trucks entering the facility?

GLCT: No. Traffic counting on public roadways near a property (Bohne Road Gravel Pit) does not discriminate between through or pass by traffic from originating/destination gravel pit traffic. The Jackson County Department of Transportation does not perform traffic counting on private properties. The Planning Commission has requested Target Trucking, operators of the Bohne Road gravel pit, to provide this gravel pit truck traffic

originating information by processing their "truck load tickets for the years 2017 and 2018. The Planning Commission is expecting the results next month.

4. Would the Planning Commission/ Grass Lake Township Board consider adopting the Michigan Public Act 181 for truck traffic and safety in 2019?

GLCT: No. All vehicles operating within the State of Michigan are already required to operate under this Act.

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