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NAME:	Andrea Koch	DATE:	3/26/12
TIME:	Unknown		
WITH:	Jim Bennett, Groundwater Geologist for San Diego County (858-694-3820)		
SUBJECT:	Status of the Otay Hills Construction Aggregate Extraction Operation		

PHONE CONVERSATION:

I asked Jim Bennett about the status of the Otay Hills Construction Aggregate Extraction Operation project. He stated that an EIR for the project was scoped in January of 2011, but that the applicant still has not submitted the first round of required studies. The applicant will probably submit these studies during May or June of this year. The project schedule, which needs to be updated to reflect project delays, currently provides February 13, 2013 as the project decision date. The project is running 263 days behind schedule, which will probably push the project decision date to late 2013 at the earliest.

I asked for traffic information for the project, which Mr. Bennett said he would e-mail to me. See the attached e-mail. I have included our communication, but not the traffic information, as it is preliminary and subject to change.

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Date: 3/27/2012 3:18:37 PM
Subject: RE: Otay Hills Quarry (Major Use Permit P04-004, ReclamationPlanRP04-001)

Late 2013 is a best case for the applicant to receive their entitlements (Major Use Permit and Reclamation Plan) from the County. The date of construction will likely lag this date by at least one year as the owner of the mining operation would need time to mobilize and implement their project. So 2015 would be realistic if they got their entitlements in late 2013.

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From: Andrea Koch [mailto:AKoch@energy.ca.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:11 PM
To: Bennett, Jim
Subject: Re: Otay Hills Quarry (Major Use Permit P04-004, Reclamation PlanRP04-001)

Hi Jim.

I have a follow-up question about the study you sent me. It states on page 6 under "Project Phasing":

"Assuming a start date of 2015, Table 4.1 provides a timeline for the project phases".

Is it still true that the project probably won't begin construction until 2015?

I know that you estimated that the project review probably won't be completed before late 2013.

Thanks for all of your help!

Andrea

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Hi Andrea,

Attached please find the project description dated October 2010. There are truck trip numbers within the description. Please keep in mind that these numbers are draft and we have not yet approved the traffic study for this project. Therefore, the truck trips (as well as pretty much all the details within the project description) are subject to change.

If you have any other questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

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