NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE MINING OPERATION PLAN APPROVAL (MOPA) FOR VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, BROOKSVILLE QUARRY

Pursuant to Hernando County Mining Ordinance 93-13, Development Services has reviewed an application for Mining Operation Plan Approval (MOPA) from Vulcan Construction Materials Brooksville Quarry. The application was reviewed and determined to be generally consistent with the Approved Master Plan, Master Mining Plan Approval, Comprehensive Plan and all other state and federal requirements.

Vulcan Construction Materials, Brooksville Quarry Mine is located at 16313 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, approximately 10 miles northwest of Brooksville, Florida and contains 350+- acres. The mine operation is currently operating under a Master Mining Plan Approval (MAMPA) #1379577 approved January 14, 2020. The five-year plan approved will consist of both hard rock and soft rock materials. An estimated 104.49 +- acres of land area that has been disturbed, prior to 1978 and is exempt from the Hernando County Mining Ordinance. The acreage to be mined has been assessed for endangered wildlife and flora. The mine has been active for 20+ years, therefore, wildlife is not suitable and is not anticipated to be on the project. Invasive plant species Imparta Cylindrica (Cogongrass) has been identified. The plant species is buried under top fill matter and will not live. VCM will conduct annual inspections for Imparta Cylindrica and if identified will be treated. VCM terminated the blasting permit in 2013, and no blasting has occurred since 2007. Both hard rock and soft rock will be removed for use in the construction and agricultural industries.

No action is required of the Board of County Commissioners at this time; however, as provided for in Section 19-32 of the Mining Ordinance, the Board of County Commissioners is hereby notified that a legal notice will be posted in the Hernando County Courthouse of the Development Services' Department intent to issue approval of the MOPA application (#1494566).

The Board of County Commissioners, any affected person or agency has thirty (30) days to notify the Development Services Department in writing of any recommendations, comments, or objections for its review. The Department shall review such recommendations, comments, or objections and either approve or deny the pending application for the MOPA.

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