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**Subject:** Rock Hill Quarry Update 2.20.2020

Hello,

You are receiving this email from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) because you have expressed interest in the Rock Hill Quarry in East Rockhill Township, Bucks County.

**As of February 20, 2020, mining and related activities remain under a cessation order.**

Since the last community update, sent on January 16, 2020:

- DEP is finalizing its review and response of the Qualitative Geologic Survey Report, submitted on November 15, 2019. DEP's response focuses on technical geological interpretations and regulatory definitions regarding asbestos.
- DEP and the PA Dept of Health continue to work together to get answers to questions asked in November 2019. When these responses are finalized, that information will be added to DEP's Rock Hill webpage. DEP is aware that DOH sent a letter directly to interested stakeholders, addressing general information about naturally occurring asbestos that did not address this specific location. As a follow up to that letter, a meeting with DEP and DOH has been requested by PA Senator Steve Santarsiero.
- On 2/20/20, DEP became aware of unauthorized activity at the quarry that included use of a front-end loader, transportation of screening material (stockpile), and the placement of barrels or drums being used to define the quarry property boundary. Immediately upon learning of the activity, DEP contacted the Quarry and directed them to return material to the stockpile and cease use of the loader in such a manner as to limit additional disturbance at the site. Until this work is complete, neighbors may see additional activity; DEP also dispatched an inspector to the site to ensure all directives are adhered to. In addition to reminding the company that no activity can occur without prior approval from DEP, the department will also be determining appropriate compliance actions to address this unapproved activity.
- Several documents have been added to the web page, including submissions from REPA, letters and comments from local officials, the latest DEP inspection report, and documents shared as part of a recent Right to Know Request.
- DEP is continuing to assess all available information in order to make a determination on this site.

DEP continues to update its webpage, available at:

<https://www.dep.pa.gov/About/Regional/SoutheastRegion/Community%20Information/Pages/Rock-Hill-Quarry-.aspx>

If you received this message from a friend and would like to be added to the list, please contact [RA-EPmining@pa.gov](mailto:RA-EPmining@pa.gov) to be added.

Thank you for your continued interest in DEP's oversight of the Rock Hill Quarry.

Sincerely,

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