

form of waste. Nothing in the proposed permit addresses the steps to be taken to ensure that the springs and streams are not depleted or contaminated.

III. THE PROPOSED APPLICATION WILL BE DETRIMENTAL TO A HIGH QUALITY WATER AREA

Further, the mining proposed by Arbuckle Aggregates fails to consider the detrimental impact that will occur to the Arbuckle Simpson Aquifer—an aquifer that is a major source of water for myself as well as other citizens of the state. Arbuckle Aggregates' plan is to build a mine that would destroy the spring that supplies water to Pennington Creek. The elimination of such a vital spring clearly frustrates the purpose of 82 O.S. § 1020.9. Such mining is also in conflict with the Clean Water Act.

IV. THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES FAILED TO COMPLY WITH OKLAHOMA LAW

The ODM failed to comply with Oklahoma law and with its own regulations when issuing this permit. Moreover, the ODM did not adequately address, among others, the following issues:

- Impacts to wildlife;
- Impacts to water resources;
- Interference with adjoining landowners;
- Taking of other's groundwater;
- Aesthetics;
- Property Values;
- Economic Impacts;
- Health and Safety Concerns;
- Noise;
- Dust;
- Tourism;
- Recreation;
- Failure of Arbuckle Aggregates to include a definite mining map;
- Clean Water Act 404 permit;
- S.B. 288;
- The EPA's Sole Source Aquifer designation;
- Due Process

Conclusion

I demand a formal hearing regarding the ODM's decision to conditionally grant Arbuckle Aggregates, LLC's mining permit application.

Respectfully,

Signature

Printed Name

Address

City, State and Zip Code

County

Please remit to:
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