

Exhibit A-09: J. Day correspondence w/ B. Black et al. re: truck/trip discrepancy

John Day

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Subject: RE: Questions re PL16-0097/PL16-0098 Grip Road gravel mine MDNS

John,

I do think that the 30 trucks per hour or 30 trucks per day is something that needs to be verified. I have read it both ways in the documentation from the TIA and the TIA peer reviews. Even though the MDNS mitigation measure indicate 30 trucks per hour, which would translate into 60 trips per hour (entering/exiting). As the TIA and MDNS also indicates 46 trips a day or 23 trucks during normal operations. I believe the intent was for extended operations is a maximum of 30 trucks per day or 60 trips per day, not per hour.

I will need to discuss this further with Brandon, Kevin, and Joe to verify the extended operations (max) numbers are.

Thank you for your patience.

Forrest Jones

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Forrest,

Again, I really appreciate your getting back to me on this, but the actual wording of the condition (as I quoted in my original email to Kevin) is "The maximum daily truck traffic that is allowed associated with the subject gravel mine/quarry is limited to an average of 46 daily trips during mining operations not to exceed 30 trucks **per hour** [not "per day", as you stated below] under extended hours operations." (emphasis and brackets mine). Following the logic of your second sentence below, this would mean 30 trucks entering per hour and 30 trucks exiting per hour, or 60 trips per hour (i.e. a dump truck/trailer combo entering or exiting the mine about once a minute). Could you please confirm that this is the correct interpretation?

Thanks,
 John

On Wed, Mar 2, 2022 at 8:48 AM Forrest Jones <forrestj@co.skagit.wa.us> wrote:

Hi John,

I may have misspoken in my response to you. After reviewing the TIA and the County's MDNS Mitigation Measure, we will allow 30 trucks per day maximum during extended operation hours. This would be an increase from the 23 trucks per day during normal operation hours.

I apologize, was thinking trips not trucks in my previous response. So the total trips during extended hours of operation would be 30 trucks entering and 30 truck exiting for a total of 60 trips per day.

Sorry for the confusion.

Forrest Jones

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It would be 15 trucks entering and 15 trucks exiting that would equal 30 Trips as I understand it.

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Thanks for the response, Forrest. Just to make sure I understand, does this mean that the limit of 30 trucks per hour for “extended hours” operations in the MDNS equates to 30 trucks in and 30 trucks out per hour?

John

On Tue, Mar 1, 2022 at 12:17 PM Forrest Jones <forrestj@co.skagit.wa.us> wrote:

John,

The definition of a Trip or Trip End per the Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Manual

“A single or one-direction person or vehicle movement with either the origin or the destination (exiting or entering) inside a study site. In technical terms, a trip has an origin and a destination at its respective ends (known as trip ends). Each trip end is a part of a trip. For site trip generation the analyst is usually interested in trips entering and exiting a single site.”

This basically means that if there are 46 “trips” per day it would equate to 23 truck entering and 23 trucks exiting.

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Hi Kevin,

Thanks for your helpful clarification on the SEPA comments question.

I understand your response to my questions about the wording of the MDNS traffic conditions to mean that you would defer those to Public Works. I appreciate that you cc'd Joe Amaro and Forrest Jones on both of your emails to me and look forward to a response.

John

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John,

For clarity sake I am emailing you again. All the comments we've received in the past associated with this project since 2016 are part of the record. They will be forwarded to the hearing examiner as an exhibit to the staff report/findings of fact.

However, comments on previous SEPA determinations are not applicable to the current issued SEPA MDNS. You need to comment on this issued SEPA MDNS during the comment period to be considered a party of record and thus potentially appeal our SEPA determination. I hope this makes sense. Thanks.

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Hello John. We've [PDS] received a number of comments on this project since 2016. All of these comments are part of the record of the project which will be made as an exhibit(s) as part of the staff report /findings of fact once this project goes to a public hearing before the Hearing Examiner. As stated in the recently issued SEPA MDNS, there is a new public comment period associated with the issued MDNS.

A traffic impact analysis (TIA) was already submitted for this project which also was peer reviewed. Additionally, the Public Works Department has reviewed the subject application and TIA/reports. Their requirements and conditions have been included in the issued SEPA MDNS. For further questions about either the TIA or the requirements of the Public Works Department, you'll need to reach out to them. Thank you.

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Hi Kevin,

I have a couple questions about the Grip Road gravel mine MDNS and one about the process going forward.

Mitigation Measures 13.vii. of the MDNS reads as follows: “The maximum daily truck traffic that is allowed associated with the subject gravel mine/quarry is limited to an average of 46 daily **trips** during mining operations not to exceed 30 **trucks** per hour under extended hours operations.” (Emphasis mine)

1. Skagit County Road Standards, 2000, defines a “trip” as “A one-direction movement which begins at the origin and ends at the destination”. Is that the applicable definition in this case?
2. What is the applicable definition of the word “trucks” in this sentence? Does one “truck” mean one truck going both ways or, essentially, two “trips”? If so, then 30 “trucks” per hour would mean 60 “trips” per hour. Is that the correct interpretation here?

With regard to the comment process: Will PDS consider any of the comments that were submitted previously as part of the record for the current MDNS, or will only new comments made after the February 24 publication date and by the March 11 deadline be considered?

Thanks,

John