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DATE: February 11, 2026
TO: Landowners of Adjacent Parcels and Within a Half Mile of Blasting
FROM: Colby Myers
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RE: Notice of Application for a Mine Operating Permit I-002444
Heidelberg Materials Southeast Agg LLC | Manning Quarry | Richland County

Heidelberg Materials Southeast Agg LLC has applied to the S.C. Department Environmental Services (SCDES) for a permit to mine granite at a site located at 7900 Monticello Road in Richland County, approximately 6.5 miles northwest of Columbia. Tax records from Richland County show you own property next to or within one half mile of these proposed activities.

SCDES will hold a **public hearing on March 19, 2026, at 7:00 PM**, to accept oral and written comments on the proposed quarry. A **public meeting will be held from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM prior to the public hearing**. These events will be held at the Jones Center at Columbia International University (7435 Monticello Rd, Columbia, S.C., 29203). Doors will open at 5:30 PM to facilitate the sign-in process and provide an opportunity to meet SCDES staff.

The public meeting is informal and provides an opportunity to have a discussion with SCDES staff about the quarry and environmental permitting process prior to giving comments at the public hearing. The meeting will begin with a presentation followed by a time to ask questions.

The public hearing is formal and provides an opportunity to make oral comments that will be heard by SCDES staff and recorded by a court reporter. **There will be no questions and answers during the public hearing**. SCDES values each participant's involvement in the public hearing and will conduct it in a respectful, orderly manner with reasonable limits on the length of comments, if necessary.

For additional information about the proposed quarry, public meeting, and public hearing, please visit our webpage at <https://des.sc.gov/ManningQuarry>. The webpage will be updated with new information as it becomes available. SCDES's presentation from the meeting will be posted on our webpage prior to the end of the public comment period. **If you are unable to access the webpage or have questions about participating in the public meeting and/or hearing, please contact Catherine Sawyer at (803) 898-0975, or by email at Catherine.Sawyer@des.sc.gov**. Individuals with disabilities or special needs should contact SCDES in advance to discuss any special services required to participate.

A public notice of this intent to mine and of the public hearing is being advertised in *The State* newspaper on February 11, 2026. A copy of this public notice is enclosed. SCDES is currently reviewing the permit application. Information in the application may change during this review. All comments received will be considered before a final permit decision is made. **A final decision regarding the proposed mine has not yet been made and will not be made until after the close of the public comment period on April 3, 2026. Questions and written comments may be submitted via our webpage, email, or U.S. Mail to:**

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Please share this information with others you know who may be interested.