

Petition against Rogers Group Inc. Stone Quarry near Americus IN, Old State Road 25 North

A new stone quarry is to be developed on land directly adjacent to the Wabash River, approximately 1 mile north of Americus, Indiana, on Old State Road 25. The quarry pit alone, is to be approximately 2100 feet long, by 620 ft. wide, by 420 ft. deep. Additional area around the quarry is to inventory product extracted from the pit. Groundwater that infiltrates the pit will be constantly pumped and directed into the Wabash River. Materials extracted from the pit basin will be either stockpiled or moved to a process area outside of the river's floodway plain and sold.

Development of a mining industrial complex will reverse 30 years of river corridor development that has successfully encouraged the return of the American bald eagle and other fauna species. The stone quarry is unnecessary as there are several mining operations within Tippecanoe County and Delphi, IN. In fact development of this stone quarry will bring many negative aspects to Washington Township through activities that will potentially cause depletion of local wells and the aquifer, reduction of property values, pumping of turbid water into the Wabash River, soil erosion, destruction, decline and collateral damage to wildlife habitat, damage to local county roads, sound pollution from stone crushing and sorting machinery, mechanical equipment, heavy motorized truck and tractors, blasting operations and seismic vibrations, and low level noise. The quarry's hours of operation are projected to include weekends, which would be intrusive to residential and family farm living.

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