

SURFACE MINING ADVISORY FORUM: YACOLT MOUNTAIN FOLLOW-UP

INCLUDING LIVINGSTON MOUNTAIN

October 23, 2019

6:00pm-7:30pm

Public Service Center, 6th Floor Conference Room

Mitch Nickolds began the meeting by welcoming all attendees and introducing the Community Development staff members.

Clark County Staff Present:

Mitch Nickolds, Community Development Director

Ahmad Qayoumi, Public Works Director

Marilee McCall, Neighborhood Association Coordinator

Michael Boyer, Code Enforcement Officer

Rob Klug, Transportation Division Manager

Bo Storedahl, Storedahl & Sons

Megan Coomes, OA II Administration

Concerns since last meeting:

- Increased truck traffic on Kelly Road
 - The County is currently using three traffic monitoring systems on Kelly Road to monitor the percentage of cars vs trucks. Once this data is compiled it will be released.
 - Storedahl & Sons has equipped local school busses with radios so that they can be reached at all times with information regarding truck traffic or if they have any concerns or issues.
- Blast noise and lack of notification of blasts

- Storedahl states all blasts have been announced ahead of time. If an individual would like a phone call before a scheduled blast they are to email their name, address and phone number to mountaintop@stordahl.com and before each blast a Storedahl employee will call to notify.
- Community members in attendance feel there was a lack of notification about the forum.
 - In regards to the current meeting, the County posted notice of the meeting in The Columbian Newspaper, sent out emails to all mailing lists and posted event information via social media.
 - Mitch Nickolds states the County will improve their communication further by ensuring the email lists are updated and current. The County will also continue to post in the Columbian the information about upcoming meetings and events as has been par for all meetings previous.
- Concern about un-tarped trucks and “stadium like” lighting during night hours at the mine.
 - Bo Storedahl states that all Storedahl & Son’s truck loads containing dust are currently being tarped. Independent trucks are not required to be tarped and that could be some of the trucks that people are seeing. Community asks that Mitch Nickolds look into whether or not independent trucks can also be required to tarp loads. County agrees to look into it.
 - Community member stated that “stadium like” lights were on at night at the mine. Storedahl reiterates that no nighttime mining is taking place and he will look into why there are lights on overnight as there should not be.
- Concerns about air quality survey
 - Air quality survey is still a couple weeks out for results. Once results are in they will be shared and posted to the County website and via email. The results will also be published in The Columbian.

NEXT STEPS:

- Share results of air quality survey when available via website and email.
- Making sure community groups have access to the upcoming meeting agenda ahead of the meeting so their topics can be included.
- Improve communication from the County to the community by updating email lists and continuing to use the website, email, social media and The Columbian as means to pass along information.

- Evaluate the components of the CUP process.
- Hold next meeting within 60 days (before end of 2019).