ORDINANCE # 2005-

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 10.03 "M-3 EARTH MATERIALS EXTRACTION, PROCESSING AND SITE RECLAMATION" OF THE KENDALL COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Kendall County regulates development under authority of its Zoning Ordinance and related ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board amends these ordinances from time to time in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, all administrative procedures for amendments have been followed including a Public Hearing held before the Kendall County Zoning Board of Appeals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, the Kendall County Board hereby amends Sections 10.03 M-3 EARTH MATERIALS EXTRACTION, PROCESSING AND SITE RECLAMATION of the Kendall County Zoning Ordinance as provided in attached Exhibit "A".

IN WITNESS OF, this Amendment to the Kendall County Zoning Ordinance was approved by the Kendall County Board on August 16, 2005.

Attest:

Paul Anderson
Kendall County Clerk

John A. Church
Kendall County Board Chairman
SECTION 10.03  M-3 EARTH AGGREGATE MATERIALS EXTRACTION, PROCESSING AND SITE RECLAMATION

INTENT

It is the purpose of this section to establish regulations and standards for surface mining operations and to provide for conservation and reclamation of lands affected by surface mining in order to restore them to optimum future productive use. Earth Aggregate materials extraction, processing and site reclamation shall be determined and permitted in compliance with standards as set forth herein.

A. PERMITTED USES

1. Surface and/or open pit mining. Extraction and/or processing of earth aggregate materials, e.g., sand, gravel, limestone, subject to the issuance of a permit as provided herein.

B. SPECIAL USES

1. Ready-mix cement plants.
2. Asphalt and asphalt products.

C. SETBACK REQUIREMENTS

1. Unless otherwise specifically provided in an applicable special use permit, production, processing and excavation shall not be conducted closer than two hundred (200) feet to the boundary of any zoning district where such operations are not permitted, nor closer than one hundred (100) feet from the boundaries of an adjoining property line, nor closer than one hundred fifty (150) feet to the right-of-way of any existing or platted street, road or highway, except in the following situations:

   a. The bottom of the slope of the mined face of the excavation shall not be closer to said point above, than a distance equal to one and one-half (1½) times the depth of the excavation (see diagram 10.03.1);

   b. If consolidated materials occur in the mined face, the slope of the face may be steeper than 1/4 to 1 slope per “a” above for the depth(s) of those materials, however all other mined slopes of unconsolidated materials shall be no steeper than 2:1.

2. Building and Structures: Every building and structure hereafter erected or enlarged shall provide and maintain a setback from a public or private street as established by the Zoning Board of Appeals and approved by the County Board.
D. SIDE AND REAR YARDS.

1. Building and Structures: Every building and structure hereafter erected or enlarged shall provide and maintain a setback from a public or private street as established by the Zoning Board of Appeals and approved by the County Board.

2. Buildings and Structures:
   a. Unless otherwise specified in the mining operations permit, every building and structure hereafter erected or enlarged shall provide and maintain a setback from a public or private street of not less than 100 feet or one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the center line of all adjacent roads, whichever is greater.
   b. Unless otherwise specified in the mining operations permit, every building and structure hereafter erected or enlarged shall have a side and rear yard of not less than fifty (50) feet from all property lines dividing lots held in separate ownership.

D. AREA REQUIREMENTS

The minimum area required for each M-3 District shall be greater than ten (10) acres.

E. PROHIBITED ACTIVITY

1. No person, firm or corporation shall hereafter engage in the extraction of earth aggregate materials on any land within the unincorporated areas of the County of Kendall, located outside the boundaries of any city, Village or incorporated town without first obtaining from the County a mining operations permit in such form and in such a manner as shall hereinafter be provided. The inadvertent extraction of earth aggregate materials while in the process of land beautification, pond construction or such other activity unrelated to mining and processing uses are hereby excluded.

F. FENCING

1. Where required by the County Board in granting an M-3 zoning to promote safety, a minimum 7 foot chain link fence shall be erected at the site of the operation and facilities which shall be of a nature and character to reasonabley protect the general public from danger. The location as determined by the County Board of the fencing shall be depicted on the site plan submitted as part of the mining permit application.
G. REQUEST FOR LOCATION PROTECTION

1. Within seven days of filing any application for M-3 zoning or M-3 Special Use, the applicant shall give notice of such filing, and at applicant's expense, send it by registered mail through the Planning Building and Zoning Office, a copy of such application as well as a copy of this complete paragraph, to each owner as set forth on the tax assessor's records of all property located within one and one half (1.5) miles of the parcel sought to be permitted. If, within fifteen days of receipt of such notice, any owner or occupant of such property files with the Planning, Building and Zoning Administrator (hereinafter referred to as "Administrator") a "Request for Location Protection," substantially in the form provided in paragraph 2 below, then the following shall occur. Provided however, if the proposed use of the property is for the surface mining of sand and gravel only (and includes no blasting or any special use), and the property is situated wholly within a township having a population in excess of 20,000, then notice shall only be sent to properties located with one thousand (1,000) feet of the parcel sought to be permitted. (Ord. #99-25 August 17, 1999)

a. Subject to different provisions being made by the County Board as provided in subparagraph c below, any minerals aggregate materials processing, ready-mix concrete, asphalt, and/or recycling equipment or plants on the subject property shall be located so as to provide maximum distance between the residence of any such owner or occupant and any such equipment or plant; if more than one owner or occupant files a "Request for Location Protection," then any such equipment or plant shall be located on the property so as to provide as much distance as possible between such residences and such equipment or plant; provided, in any event, that setbacks otherwise required by this Ordinance shall be maintained.

b. Any owner or occupant filing for location protection, and/or his agents shall be invited to participate in County staff discussions with the applicants regarding the most effective and appropriate measures required to protect the residence site(s) from adverse impacts. The discussions shall include, but not be limited to: location of processing, ready-mix concrete, asphalt, and/or recycling equipment and plants, material storage and mining operations; size and shape of screening berms as they may interface with the residences; noise and dust abatement; site specific landscaping for both short term and long term visual effect, and data reflecting the quality of minerals aggregate materials to be excavated. The advice of a technically trained person selected by the County Board shall be utilized at the applicant's reasonable expense to review and make recommendations concerning the most effective and appropriate measures to protect the residence site(s) from adverse impact as provided in Section G below.

c. The County Board may approve a location for mineral aggregate material processing, ready-mix concrete, asphalt, and/or recycling equipment and plants, other than a location at a maximum distance from the residence(s) of the owner(s) or Occupant(s) filing for location protection, if the County Board determines, that, because of berming, landscaping, and/or other protections proposed for the property sought to be rezoned, such an alternate location, when compared to the location providing maximum distance, provides the residence site(s) as much or greater protection from adverse effects of such equipment and/or plants. No such alternate location may be
approved by the County Board prior to the residence owner(s)/occupant(s) having at least a sixty day period within which to review such alternative location, have it reviewed by the technically trained person provided for in subparagraph (b) above, and make recommendations to the County Board concerning it.

2. The form hereinabove referred to is the following:

The undersigned, being an owner or occupant of a residence at (mailing address) ____________________________
__________________________ hereby requests location protection pursuant the provisions of the Kendall County Zoning Ordinance on Earth Materials Extraction, Processing and Site Reclamation."
__________________________ (Owner/Occupant)

H. FEES

All applications for an M-3 zoning designation shall be accompanied by a fee for map amendments in accordance with fee structure as established by the County Board and as amended from time to time. At the County Board’s discretion, the advice of technically trained experts will be utilized at a reasonable cost to the applicant to evaluate the information contained in the request or any other information deemed relevant by the County Board, to pay the costs involved in any hearing, including the fees of court reporters and expert witnesses employed by the County to clarify or refute any information contained in the request, or any issue raised at any time during any hearing related to the request, and to pay any other cost or expenses in any way connected with the request.

I. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

In order for the County to adequately determine the short and long term impact of the proposed mining operation on vegetation, wildlife, fish, land use, land values, local tax base, the economy of the County, employment opportunities, air pollution, water pollution, soil contamination, noise pollution and drainage, all applications for an M-3 zoning designation shall be accompanied by the background information as outlined below in Section 10.03-1.A.4 of this ordinance.

SECTION 10.03-1 PERMITTING

A. PERMIT FOR MINING

1. All operators extracting and/or processing earth aggregate materials shall apply for a permit jointly with the owner and any person who is entitled to legal possession of the property to be affected and shall comply with the operation and reclamation regulations in this Ordinance.

Application for permit shall be made upon a form furnished by the Department. Such application shall be accompanied by a fee of $50 plus $25 for every acre and fraction of an acre of land to be affected during the life of the permit.
2. An operator desiring to have his permit amended to cover additional land may file an amended application with the Department of County with such additional fee and bond or security as may be required under the provisions of this Act. Such amendment shall comply with all requirements of this Ordinance.

3. An operator may withdraw any land covered by a permit and upon which no extraction has taken place, excepting affected land, by notifying the Department thereof; in which case the amount, of the bond or security filed by such operator pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be reduced proportionately.

It shall be unlawful for any owner/operator to engage in surface mining in an area where the overburden shall exceed ten (10) feet in depth or where the operation will affect more than ten (10) acres during the permit year without first obtaining from the Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals a permit to do so, pursuant to the Surface-Mined Land Conservation and Reclamation Act ILCS 715/1 et. seq. as amended.

All owner/operators shall comply with the Regulations of USEPA and any State or Federal regulatory agencies for occupational health and safety and obtain any necessary permits prior to issuance of the mining permit. Before the onset of any operations the Enforcement Officer must be provided with copies of all necessary permits.

4. Every application, and every amendment to an application, submitted under this Ordinance shall contain the following, except that the Administrator may waive the requirements of this subsection for amendments if the affected acreage is similar in nature to the acreage stated in the permit to be amended:

a. Ownership of land;
b. Minerals Aggregate materials to be mined;
c. Character and composition of vegetation and wildlife on land to be affected;
d. The proposed equipment to be used;
e. The current assessed valuation of the lands to be affected and the assessed valuation shown by two (2) quadrennial assessments next preceding the currently effective assessment;
f. The nature, depth, and proposed disposition of the overburden;
g. The location of the existing roads, and anticipated access and haulage roads planned to be used or constructed in conducting surface mining;
h. The technique to be used in surface mining;
i. Drainage on and away from the lands to be affected including directional flow of water, natural and artificial drain ways and waterways, and streams or tributaries receiving the discharge;
j. The current location of existing buildings and utility lines and easements within the lands to be affected;
k. Practices and methods proposed to be used to minimize noise, dust, air contaminants and vibration and to prevent pollution of surface or underground water;
m. The recycling of water used for washing and grading;
n. The simultaneous reclamation plan including methods of accomplishment, phasing, and timing as an area is mined out to start reclamation;

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A detailed map of the land drawn at a scale of one (1) inch equals (=) one hundred (100) feet showing at least the following specifics:

1) Existing topographical features at two (2) foot contour intervals, up to and including seven (7) percent grade. Greater than seven (7) percent grade would require five (5) foot contours;

2) Location and names of all streams, creeks, bodies of water, underground water resources (which are readily ascertainable from sources such as Illinois State Geological Survey well drillings logs) and drainage systems within the lands to be affected;

3) Outline of area to be excavated;

4) The proposed location of sorting, grading, crushing and similar equipment necessary to the operation and initial distribution of the excavated products;

5) The proposed location of any buildings, scale house, equipment storage areas, and equipment repair sheds or areas; and

6) The current location of buildings, utility lines and easements within the lands to be affected.

"Affected Lands or Affected Land" shall be defined as real property described within the application filed herein whenever said terms are used in this Ordinance.

5. Prior to the issuance of a permit, the applicant must obtain the approval by the department of County of the reclamation plan and map as provided in Section 10.03-1-B. Such plan shall be forwarded to the Zoning Board of Appeals for public hearing, review and recommendation in accordance with the procedures provided for under Section 13.06 “Amendments” of the County Zoning Ordinance. The recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals shall be forwarded to the County Board for action. If approved, the Board will enact an ordinance establishing a date by which the permit shall expire.

6. All permits issued hereunder shall expire ten (10) years from the date of issuance, unless the County Board extends passes an ordinance extending such expiration date.

7. Each renewal of a Mining Permit under this section shall be for a period of time not more than ten (10) years.

   a. A request to renew a Mining Permit that involves acreage or equipment in addition to that allowed in the Original Mining Permit, shall be treated in the same manner as the initial application.

   b. A request to renew a Mining Permit when no additional acreage or equipment will be brought into use shall be handled in the following manner:

      i. If an owner/operator is not able to finish mining the acreage described in the Mining Permit in the time specified, he shall apply to the County. A public hearing will be held. The maps required by this Ordinance for the initial hearing shall be revised, updated and resubmitted along with a statement of the current status of the mining reclamation. A new map describing conditions present on the site shall be furnished as described in “EXISTING CONDITIONS” of the Standards.

      ii. The applicant shall furnish the Kendall County Planning, Building and
Zoning Department with a copy of the aforesaid maps, plans and other related exhibits for review of the revised or extended reclamation plan no less than thirty (30) days before the Zoning Board of Appeals hearing.

iii The Planning, Building and Zoning Department shall prepare a written report and oral statement on the revised or extended reclamation plan and enter it into evidence at the Zoning Board of Appeals hearing.

iv Any application for a renewal of a Mining Permit shall be filed with the Zoning Board of Appeals prior to one hundred twenty (120) days before the expiration date of the original Mining Permit or any renewal thereof. A failure to file a request for renewal within the required time designated in this Section shall result in a required cessation of mining and sale of product upon the expiration of the Mining Permit.

78. Annual Inspections

An examination of the premises shall be made by the Administrator or his/her designee at least annually during the term of the permit. The Administrator shall subsequently complete a Mining Inspection Report, mailing to the operator one (1) copy by certified mail return receipt requested and retaining one (1) copy in the permanent files at the County.

89. A permit issued hereunder may be revoked or modified by the County Board after due hearing in the event the permittee violates any provision of 10.03-1-C. of this Ordinance.

B. RECLAMATION

1. At the County Board’s discretion, the advice of technically trained experts will be utilized at a reasonable cost to the owner/operator(s) to review the reclamation plan for its appropriateness on the affected land.

2. The Department County shall consider the short and long term impact of the proposed mining on vegetation, wildlife, fish, land use, land values, local tax base, the economy of the County, employment opportunities, air pollution, water pollution, soil contamination, noise pollution and drainage.

3. The reclamation plan map and statement of sequential operation and reclamation shall be followed to produce a finished condition that complies with the reclamation plan map and the provisions of this Section so as to provide for the return to a useful purpose of the affected land.

34. The Operator shall provide with the application for permit a detailed reclamation plan and map drawn at a scale of one (1) inch equals (=) one hundred (100) feet designating which parts of the land shall be reclaimed for forest, pasture, crop, horticultural, homestead, recreational, industrial, or other uses including food, shelter and ground cover for wildlife. The reclamation plan and map shall specify progress and completion dates of the reclamation plan; provided, however, the reclamation is to be completed prior to the expiration of three (3) years after the termination of the mining operation on the land. In the event the operator and the County shall mutually determine that characteristics of the area concerned have been
found to be present during the conduct of mining, changes may be made in the original reclamation plan by mutual consent of the operator and the Planning Building and Zoning Committee of the County Board, which change shall preserve, as substantially as possible, the original reclamation plan, and shall also provide for the previously unknown variables. Contours shall conform to requirements of development proposed, but not less than required for existing original topography.

45. The reclamation plan shall contain a written statement containing an explanation of the character of the site to be mined and of the character of the surrounding territory, and an explanation of the schedule of development.

56. All reclamation provided for hereunder shall be carried to completion by the operator prior to the expiration of three (3) years after the termination of the mining operation, except that no other reclamation of any kind shall be required to be made within depressed haulage roads or final cuts or any other area where pools or lakes, capable of supporting aquatic life, may be formed by rainfall or drainage runoff from adjoining land or where the Administrator determines that a road, dry pit bottom or ditch is consistent with and necessary to the conservation and reclamation plan. All mined areas which in the reclamation plan call for vegetation, shall be covered with whatever sufficient topsoils and other materials from the case overburden which will support acceptable plant growth in accordance with standards provided by the Department as outlined in the reclamation plan. The Department County shall have authority to require darkened surface soil be segregated from other overburden in the stripping process so as to accomplish the requirements of this subparagraph.

67. Extension of the reclamation period may be granted by the Administrator if necessary to accomplish acceptable reclamation. Such extension shall be made at the discretion of the Department, however, the Department shall not deny a reasonable extension when the operator shows that acts of God, strikes, inability to receive ordered equipment or extended periods of unreasonable weather have made completion within the time limits impossible. When determined to be appropriate, the Administrator at his or her discretion, may refer a request for such an extension to the County Board for review and recommendation prior to taking action on such request.

78. The County shall declare forfeiture of the surety, bond or security on such land not satisfactorily reclaimed, and shall use such funds to complete the reclamation. Any excess shall be remitted to the permittee.

89. Any reclamation plan must require that viable ground cover or similar vegetation will be placed on the site within one (1) year of final production.

910. Disposal areas shall be reclaimed within one (1) year from final production.

1011. The reclamation plan shall protect persons against hazards remaining on the property.

12. A landscape plan shall be prepared by a qualified landscape professional in accordance with the reclamation plan. Said plan shall include details on phasing of the landscape plan as cells are exhausted and the anticipated time line for the sequential restoration of the subject property.

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C. MINING OPERATION REQUIREMENTS

Duties of Operator. Every operator to whom a permit is issued pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance may engage in surface mining upon the lands described in the permit upon the performance of and subject to the following requirements with respect to such lands:

1. All land affected by surface mining except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance shall be graded to a rolling topography traversable by machines necessary for maintenance in accordance with planned use, with slopes that have no more than 15% (or 8 degrees and 32 minutes) grade, except that in the case of those lands to be reclaimed in accordance with a filed plan for forest, plantation, recreational or wildlife, the outside slope of the box cut spoil, the slopes of all perimeter berms, all unconsolidated material in the pit sidewalls, and the outside slopes of all overburden deposition areas the grade shall not exceed 30% (or 16 degrees and 42 minutes); the final cut spoil and the side slopes of haulage roads included can remain at a slope equal to the angle of repose of the material in order to retain or provide as much row crop of 15% slope land as possible, but such slopes need not be reduced to less than the original grade of the overburden of that area prior to mining; vertical highwalls can be left in competent material upon conclusion of the mining or pits formed by the aggregate mining industry.

2. In the case that the right-of-way has not been recently surveyed by a registered land surveyor and clearly marked, the right-of-way line shall be assumed to be as follows, for the purpose of this Section:

   a) When the adjoining roadway is classified as a local street, a minimum of seventy feet (70') of R.O.W. (35' from the centerline) shall be provided
   b) When the adjoining roadway is classified as a local sub-collector, a minimum of eighty feet (80') of R.O.W. (40' from the centerline) shall be provided
   c) When the adjoining roadway is classified as a minor collector, a minimum of ninety feet (90') of R.O.W. (45' from the centerline) shall be provided
   d) When the adjoining roadway is classified as a major collector, a minimum of one hundred twenty feet (120') of R.O.W. (60' from the centerline) shall be provided
   e) When the adjoining roadway is classified as an arterial, a minimum of one hundred fifty feet (150') of R.O.W. (75' from the centerline) shall be provided.

23. All storm runoff water shall be detained, impounded, drained or treated in accordance with the Kendall County Stormwater Runoff Management Ordinance in effect at the time the permit is issued so as to reduce soil erosion, damage to un-mined lands, construct earth dams, where lakes may be formed, in accordance with sound engineering practices if necessary to impound water, provided the formation of lakes or ponds will not interfere with underground or other mining operations, other subsequent uses of the area approved by the Department County, or damage adjoining property. Such water impoundments must be approved by the Department County based on the expected ability of the lakes or ponds to support desirable uses such as water for livestock or wildlife; and if to be used for fish life, shall have minimum depths in accordance with standards for fish stocking in the various areas of the State recommended by the Department County.
34. Acid forming materials present in the exposed face of the mined mineral aggregate material seam or seams in the final cut shall be covered at all times with not less than four (4) feet of water, or other materials which shall be placed with slopes having no more than 30% grade, capable of supporting plant and animal life. Final cuts or other depressed affected areas, no longer in use in mining operations, which accumulate toxic waters will not meet reclamation requirements.

45. Slurry must be confined in depressed or mine areas bounded by levees or dams constructed from material capable of supporting acceptable vegetation built in accordance with sound engineering practices.

56. All abandoned haulage roads and all mine drainage ditches must be removed and graded, except where the Administrator determines that a road or ditch is consistent with and necessary to the conservation and reclamation plan.

67. The soil shall be prepared and planted with trees, shrubs, grasses, and legumes to provide suitable vegetative cover, in accordance with the approved reclamation plan.

78. Clearing of the mine site may include the moving of existing trees and shrubs to such location as will provide screening as hereinafter provided when cost effective to do so, or as will conform to the reclamation plan for ultimate use of the property as shown on such a plan.

89. Maximum depth of excavation shall not be below existing groundwater, except in such cases where the reclamation plan indicates that a lake or lakes will be part of the final use of the land or where such plan indicates that adequate fill from overburden is to be used to refill such excavation for conformance to the approved reclamation plan.

910. Adequate planting, berming and/or fencing shall be provided along all public roads adjacent to the property involved, sufficient to screen the operation from public view, as reasonably as possible and as approved by the County Board in granting the zoning. The toe of any berm shall not be closer than ten feet (10') from the R.O.W. line.

4011. No more than one (1) entrance and one (1) exit from a highway or road shall be provided to the area of operation. Such entrance shall be subject to approval by the Department of Highways having jurisdiction and shall, preferably, be located along a secondary road, and shall be located as to avoid the routing of vehicles to and from the mining operation over streets that primarily serve abutting residential development. If required by the Department of Highways having jurisdiction, over the roadway that provides access to the mining operations, requires turning lanes, then said lanes shall conform to IDOT requirements for geometric and pavement design. Acceleration and deceleration strips shall be provided on either side of such entrance and exit, of not less than one hundred (100) feet in length each, and shall be paved of such material as shall be required by the Department of Highways having jurisdiction. Furthermore, a paved road from the entrance and exit, at a distance of not less than three (300) hundred feet from the right-of-way line into the area of operation shall be provided in order to minimize the deposit of dirt and gravel from trucks into the public highway. Such pavement shall be in accordance with the specifications of the County Highway Department or at the discretion of the Highway Department having jurisdiction over the road way. A wheel wash shall be installed within the operation along
that portion of the paved entrance/exit road that is furthest from the point at which it accesses
the adjoining roadway so as to prevent the tracking of dirt, dust, sand, gravel and debris onto
the public right-of-way. Entrances and exits shall be provided with the gates to be securely
locked during hours of in-operation.

11.12. Trucks used in hauling materials from the site of excavation shall be loaded in such a manner
as to prevent spillage onto the public highway. Any spillage on said highways resulting from
overloading or from material adhering to truck tires shall be removed periodically from said
public at intervals of not more than twenty-four (24) hours and all safety precautions shall be
observed during such process of removal. Trucks used in hauling materials from the site of
excavation shall be loaded in such a manner as to prevent spillage onto the public roadway,
including, at a minimum, a secure cover over the top of the bed of the truck carrying said
material. Any spillage or tracking of material on said roadways shall be removed from said
public roadways as needed to maintain a safe vehicular driving operation and a safe driving
surface. At a minimum, the public roadway shall be reviewed for said spillage or tracking of
material every eight (8) hours. All generally accepted industrial safety precautions shall be
practiced and observed during such process of removal. Access ways and on-site roads shall
be maintained in a dust-free condition using sweepers, water trucks or other appropriate
methods of dust suppression.

13. The owner/operator shall, coincidental with commencement of operations, bring the adjacent
roadway providing access to the site up to IDOT standards and specifications for 80,000 lb
truck routes including pavement designs and geometrics from the entrance to the subject site
to the nearest intersecting 80,000 lb roadway. The design shall include full-depth concrete
pavement at the entrance to the site and extending in each direction to the end of the radius
returns. The owner/operator shall repair any section of road damaged as a result of trucks and
heavy equipment accessing or servicing the aggregate excavation operation. This provision
shall not be construed to require the operator to purchase additional right-of-way.

14.14. Except in the areas needed for plant and equipment, stock piles, maintenance facilities, scale
houses and roads, overburden shall not be removed in excess of the area to be mined within
one (1) year. Development toward the final plan shall be carried on as excavation progresses.
Where ground cover or other planting shall be made in areas where excavation is completed
and land is not being used for material storage before further overburden is removed in order
to ensure development as operations proceed.

14.15. Hours of arrival and departure of transport vehicles shall be from six o’clock (6:00) a.m. to
seven o’clock (7:00) p.m. from April 1st until November 1st. The rest of the year the arrival
and departure of transport vehicles shall be restricted to six o’clock (6:00) a.m. to six o’clock
(6:00) p.m. Hours may be extended during a public emergency during which sand, gravel or
limestone is needed and upon the order of the County Superintendent of Highways.

14.16. The holder of a permit hereunder shall ensure the safe and continued use of all wells on
surrounding properties located within one and one half (1.5) miles of the boundaries of the
parcel on which the mining operation is located and shall be required to post a bond or similar
surety to guarantee the repair or replacement of any wells determined to have been adversely
affected as a result of such mining operations. The amount of said bond shall be determined
by multiplying the total number of wells located on those parcels for which location
protection was properly filed times the average estimated cost for replacement as determined by a certified well expert or engineer's estimate of cost. No extraction operations shall be conducted in such a manner that the groundwater table of surrounding properties is harmfully lowered. Water pumped from the site for the purpose of washing of vehicles and or product produced on site shall be retained in a settling pond until the silt and clay settles prior to the water being recycled in the area affected as provided for in Section 10.03-1-A.4. of this ordinance.

4517. Landscaping shall be regularly maintained. Weeds and other unsightly or noxious vegetation shall be cut or trimmed at least twice a year or as may be necessary to present a reasonably neat and orderly appearance and in such manner so as to discourage the encroachment of weeds and other unsightly or noxious vegetation from encroaching onto the premises or migrating off-site and onto or seeding on any adjoining properties.

18. The premises shall be neat and orderly, free from junk, trash or unnecessary debris. Buildings shall be maintained in a sound condition, in good repair and appearance. Salvageable equipment stored in a non-operating condition shall be suitably screened or garaged.

19. Enough topsoil must be stockpiled to meet the finished conditions in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, unless additional bonding to ensure the required quantities of topsoil has been furnished to the County.

4620. Existing trees and ground cover along public road frontages shall be preserved and maintained in such a manner to preserve line of sight requirements.

4721. Upon the completion of operations, the land shall be left in a condition so that sufficient drainage is provided in order to prevent water pockets or undue erosion; all final grading and drainage ways shall exist such that natural stormwater leaves the entire property at the original and natural drainage points and without an excessive load on a particular drainage point. In the event the reclamation plan shall provide for the permanent establishment of a lake, the grading and drainage may be altered, but not in such a manner as to cause damage or inconvenience to surrounding or abutting properties.

4822. Trees, shrubs, legumes, grasses, or ground cover shall be planted upon such area in order to avoid erosion, in accordance with the approved reclamation plan.

1923. Within six (6) months after final production, all buildings, structures (except fences), and equipment shall be removed unless same are to be used in connection with the reclamation project.

2024. Noise, Dust, and Odor

a. The noise level originating from a mining operation shall comply with the performance standards set forth in the standards adopted by the Illinois Pollution Control Board, as from time to time amended; provided, however, that day time hours be defined as six o’clock (6:00) a.m. to seven o’clock (7:00) p.m. from April 1st until November 1st and
from six o’clock (6:00) a.m. to six (6:00) p.m. during the rest of the year. Any variation of these regulations will constitute a violation of this ordinance.

b. The release of particulate emissions shall also comply with the performance standards in the standards adopted by the Illinois Pollution Control Board, as from time to time amended.

c. Operations shall be conducted so that noise levels and air and water quality standards comply with all applicable Federal and State standards and/or regulations.

2425 Blasting

a. The owner/operator shall use qualified blasting personal as currently licensed or permitted by the State of Illinois.

b. The owner/operator shall be responsible for the regular monitoring of blasts by qualified companies or individuals approved by the County Board. Seismometer readings shall be reported to the Administrator by the private company maintained for each mining operation.

e. Notice of intent to blast shall be given by each operator not less than two hours nor more than 24 hours before blasting to all residents located within one and one-half (1 1/2) miles of the boundaries of the mining operation who have registered with owner/operator by leaving their name, address and telephone number.

d. No person shall cause or permit as the result of such controlled and earth-confined explosions as are employed in quarrying, earthmoving, tunneling, road-building, excavating and the like the propagation of earth tremors and impulsive vibrations of the closest structure beyond the emitter’s property line which result in a particle velocity in/sec based on frequency Hz in any of three components, longitudinal, vertical or transverse components in excess of the graph shown in Appendix 1.

a. Blasting operations at all permitted sites operated by the aggregate mineral industry shall be conducted in accordance with existing State, and federal law and the rules promulgated by the Departments having jurisdiction over such operations with the advice of the aggregate mining industry and in accordance with the provisions as outlined in 225 ILCS 715/6.5 as may be amended from time to time.

D. RECLAMATION BOND

1. In order to ensure that the approved reclamation plan is completed, the owner/operator shall file a bond with the Department prior to the issuance of a permit. The bond shall be made payable to the People of Kendall County and conditioned that the principal shall faithfully perform and complete the approved reclamation plan. Such bond shall be approved by the Department and signed by the operator and/or owner as principal, and by a corporate surety licensed to do business in Illinois. The amount of such bond shall be a reasonable amount per acre as determined of such bond shall be a reasonable amount per acre as determined by the County Board, taking into consideration the lands to be affected by surface mining during the permit and reclamation period. At the County Board’s discretion, the advice of a technically trained person will be utilized at the owner/operator’s expense to review and recommend

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revisions to the bonding conditions and the amount of the bond.

2. In lieu of such bonds, the County may require that the operator either:

   a. deposit any combination of cash, government securities or irrevocable letters of credit with the County Clerk in an amount equal to that of the required surety bond as prescribed in Section D-1.

   OR

   b. deliver a properly executed lien upon the property subject to the mining operation, including all contiguous property in control of or owned by the owner/operator. Such lien shall authorize the Board to foreclose on the premises subject thereto for reimbursement of actual costs for reclamation.

3. Surety bond requirements may also be fulfilled by using existing reclaimed acres, in excess of cumulative permit or mined acres, that have been completed under the jurisdiction of this Ordinance as approved by the Department.

4. Such bond or security shall remain in effect until the affected lands have been reclaimed, approved and released by the Department, providing the Department may authorize such reductions as are consistent with the reclamation progress.

5. When an anticipated water impoundment has been approved by the Department in the reclamation plan, and the Department determines the impoundment will be satisfactorily completed upon completion of the operation, the bond covering such anticipated water impoundment area shall be released.

In order to ensure that the approved reclamation plan is completed, the owner/operator shall provide bonding in accordance with the provisions of 225 ILCS 715/8 as may be amended from time to time.

E. ENFORCEMENT

The Enforcement Officer, in conjunction with other appropriate departments, shall annually review each surface mining permit. In addition to the reclamation plan/map; the owner/operator shall provide the Planning and Development Department with an annual aerial photo of his total operation, enlarged to a scale of one (1) inch equals one hundred (100) feet or other scale that would adequately display the property affected on a thirty (30) inch square format. All aerial photos shall meet the Planning and Development Department standards. The first photo shall be taken during the first year in operation and subsequent photos shall be taken in the same month of the following years. Each year’s photo shall be presented at the same scale for the purpose of comparison. Photos shall be submitted prior to the issuance of the annual operating permit.

The Enforcement Officer, in conjunction with the Planning, Building and Zoning Department, shall prepare a report and submit it to the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee for their review. If it is determined that the operator is not in compliance with this Ordinance, the Bonding Requirements, the simultaneous operation and reclamation statement or the reclamation plan/map, the Enforcement Officer shall issue a stop work order on all operations other than reclamation work needed to bring the
operation into compliance.

Every three (3) years, at the time of the annual review, bonding, release of bond and re-bonding shall be checked as specified in the section of Bonds. In addition, the operator shall provide the Enforcement Officer with a topographic survey with two (2) foot contours, at the same scale as the aerial photo, said topographic survey to show the status of existing conditions on the subject site.

Before release of bond, an on-site inspection of the acreage reclaimed shall be made by the Enforcement Officer in conjunction with other appropriate departments to check for compliance with the Reclamation Plan and any additional conditions of the Mining Permit. A random count procedure shall be used to check seeding, plantings and depth of topsoil.

**EF. RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. The County may adopt and promulgate reasonable rules and regulations respecting the administration of the Ordinance and conformity therewith.

2. Any act authorized to be done by the Administrator may be performed by any employee of the Department of Planning, Building and Zoning when so designated by the Zoning Administrator.

**FG. SEVERABILITY**

If any Section, subdivision, clause sentence or paragraph in this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional, the unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

**GH. EXEMPTIONS**

Any mining operation legally commenced prior to the adoption of this Section shall be exempt from the requirements hereof, except that said operations shall not be exempt from the requirements hereof pertaining to the hours of operation, the operation of motor vehicles, safety and noise regulations as defined in Sections C-1315 and C-2924.