House Committee Resources: Aggregate Production Operations

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Committee Resources

The committee has requested written submissions on the following topic. Below are resources related to that topic.

House Interim Study Committee on Aggregate Production Operations

Topic: The impact of aggregate production operations (APOs), including, but not limited to, rock-crushing facilities, concrete batch plants, and hot-mix asphalt plants, across the state.

Examples of issues impacted by APOs include, but are not limited to:

- (1) general enforcement of regulations;
- (2) nuisance issues relating to dust, noise, and light;
- (3) transportation safety and transportation integrity;
- (4) air quality;
- (5) blasting enforcement;
- (6) reclamation efforts;
- (7) distance of facilities from adjoining property lines;
- (8) disruption of groundwater; and
- (9) the impact of municipal ordinances;
- "Left in the Dust: Texas Hill Country Transforming From Once-Pristine Cattle Ranches Into Industrial Zones," KVUE.com, updated September 29, 2019

- "A World Rocked," "A Community Battle," "A Reluctance to Act" (Three-Part Series), Austin American-Statesman, September 2019
- Texas Msusing 17-Year Old Air Pollution Model to Permit Inner-City Joppa Asphalt Plant, Downwinders at Risk, August 20, 2019
- Guide to Air Quality Permitting for Concrete Batch Plants, Environmental Clinic, The University of Texas at Austin School of Law, Fall 2018
- The Texas Aggregate Industry is Crushing Hill Country Dreams, Public Citizen, July 23, 2018
- "Opposition Solidifies Against Houston's Concrete Batch Plants," Houston Chronicle, February 11, 2017
- Dirt, Sand, and Rock Quarries and Aggregate Processing Plants: Compliance Resources, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- Quarry and Pit Program, Texas Department of Transportation