CON520: SUBMISSION ON RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION
(SECTION 96 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991)

TO: Consents Hearings
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OR: submit by completing an on-line form at:
    Closing Date: 5.00pm Thursday 6 June 2019

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Person(s) /Group /Organisation Making the Submission

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Contact Person:

________________________________________________________________________________________

Name of applicant: Fulton Hogan Limited

Applications to Environment Canterbury

☑ All of the applications as listed below OR only those as ticked.

☐ CRC192408    Land use to excavate material
☐ CRC192409    Land use to deposit cleanfill
☐ CRC192410    Discharge contaminants into air
☐ CRC192411    Discharge contaminants into water from industrial processes
☐ CRC192412    Discharge stormwater into land
☐ CRC192413    Discharge contaminants into land associated with deposition of cleanfill
☐ CRC192414    Water permit

☐ I / We support the application  ☑ I / We oppose the application  ☐ I / We are neutral to the application

☐ I / We do wish to be heard in support of my/our submission*
   (Note: this means you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing)
   *If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing  ☐ Yes ☐ No

OR

☐ I / We do not wish to be heard in support of my/our submission
   (Note: this means that you cannot speak at the hearing, however you will retain your right to appeal any decision to the Environment Court on any decision made by the Council.)
Application to Selwyn District Council

RC188627  Land use for gravel extraction and processes

☐ I / We support the application  ☑ I / We oppose the application  ☐ I / We are neutral to the application (neither support or oppose)

☐ I / We do wish to be heard in support of my/our submission*
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*If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing  ☐ Yes ☐ No

OR

☐ I / We do not wish to be heard in support of my/our submission
(Note: this means that you cannot speak at the hearing, however you will retain your right to appeal any decision to the Environment Court on any decision made by the Council.)

2. The reasons for making my submission are: (state in summary the nature of your submission, giving reasons)

I oppose the application from Fulton Hogan to establish a quarry for the following reasons:__________

Noise: Fulton Hogan plans to have the quarry in operation from 6 am to 6pm each day, including Saturdays. Noise from the continuous operation of processing equipment and machinery at the quarry during these times will make it difficult to carry out religious practices including meditation. Meditation requires a serene, quiet environment without noise or disturbances. Furthermore, several programmes take place at Samadhi Vihara in the evenings or during the weekends with many people in attendance. All special events are also held at the Samadhi Vihara at the weekends. So having the quarry operating in the evenings or during weekends will have huge negative impact on our community and could in fact, discourage people from attending the temple.

Dust: Dust can have severe health effects on the elderly and children. Depending on the wind speed and direction, we can have the temple buildings and meditation huts covered with dust and grit, requiring extra cleaning which could be costly.__________

Transport: Increased numbers of heavy trucks would be used to transport quarry aggregates out and it is anticipated that there would be 1500 truck movements daily. These trucks will be noisy and disperse dust along the street. The narrow roads in the neighborhood are not suited for such heavy vehicles.__________

Water. Use of water at the quarry will impact on the quantity and quality of the ground water__________

3. I wish the consent authority to make the following decision: (give details, including the general nature of any conditions sought)

I want the Selwyn District Council and ECAN to DECLINE the application from Fulton Hogan and NOT GRANT consent for a quarry on the site bounded by Dawsons, Curragh, Maddisons and Johns Road.__________

I would like the following conditions imposed if consent is given:__________

Hours of operation: Reduce the hours of operation at the Quarry to work only on weekdays Monday to Friday from 7am to 6pm. Quarry should not be operating during the weekends or public holidays and also when special programmes are planned for the Samadhi Vihara e.g. Meditation Retreats. Religious programmes and meditation programmes are usually scheduled for the weekends and quarry operations will make it very difficult for us to carry out our normal activities at the temple.

Truck Movements: Reduce truck movements to and from the quarry to 1000 per day. Truck operations to cease between 6pm and 7am in the weekdays. No truck movements to be allowed in the weekend to or from the quarry.__________

Fulton Hogan must ensure that there are no truck movements on Maddisons Road, at any time.__________
5. I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991. I am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Signature of submitter or duly authorised agent on behalf of submitter

Date 11/05/19.

Notes to the submitter:
1. The person making this submission must send a copy to the applicant as soon as reasonably practicable after serving Environment Canterbury.
2. A list of all submissions received will be provided to the applicant.
3. Please be aware that third parties may request a copy of submissions received and that request is subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

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