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My name is Greg Hicks, I have lived in Templeton for 30 years and have enjoyed the safe environment. With all the information I've listen to, I strongly oppose the proposed Roydon quarry.

I knew when I moved to Templeton all about the flight path, trains and Ruapuna speedway and it didn't bother me at all. I also knew where the existing quarry's were in relation to Templeton, but the proposed quarry on Jones Road is to close for comfort. I have listened to the hearing audio from both sides. It doesn't make sense to me to put lives and live stock at risk for cost savings. We as residents will take all the risk with no reward.

1) The proposed location and scale of the operations is right at the entrance to Christchurch where a lot of things can and often do go wrong. For example this week a fire caused the Southern Motorway just past Templeton to be closed. This turned Jones Road into the main access and exit route for Christchurch as traffic came to a complete stand still on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of December because of the fire.

Historically we have had a few fires along Main South road around the location where the proposed quarry wants to go. Remember the train brakes started at least 5 fires down Jones road shutting down Templeton and all traffic in and out. I am concerned that Templeton residents might need to leave the area in case of an emergency, but won't be able to do so due to backlog of trucks.

Not only fires, but any road works or accidents on Main South between Templeton and Rolleston relies on Jones road for the detour.

2) It was stated that once the Southern Motorway was completed there will be a reduction in traffic volumes of 50 %. Where's the guarantee in that statement? In my opinion the reduction will not get close to 50%. I can't help but question the science behind that statement. Everybody is forecasting even more growth to the west side of Christchurch in the future. Waterloo Business Park is still expanding and the west side of the city is seeing continued growth. The area around the airport has been growing drawing in more workers and sending more traffic through Templeton and down Jones road. For example 'Sorted logistics' in Waterloo Park. They now have their own container trucks heading for the Rolleston port and using Jones road to get there. I don't think a new roundabout will help in anyway to stop accidents on Dawson's road, Jones road intersection. We have to consider emergency services might get held up if a truck or cars are committed in the roundabout as a train comes. I have witnessed a car under a train right where the Dawson's road is and I wouldn't want to see anyone get hurt. Point is road overload.

3 ) I heard that 1200 truck movements per day, 600 in and 600 out of the proposed quarry on Jones road. If they are all truck and trailer units that equals around 2400 cars in comparison. 84 trucks per hour in a 14 hour day. Almost 1 ½ trucks per minute if traffic was spread evenly over a day. We all know from living with the existing quarry trucks on the road that there is no even spread. That's a lot traffic when you also take into consideration the proposed duration of 40 years for the quarry operation and the likelihood the west of chch growing vehicle wise.

4 ) I am concerned about the amount of traffic leaving the quarry and going on the motorway and slowing normal traffic movements. A roundabout relies on even traffic distribution to work effectively. NZTA would have taken that into consideration when they planned for the roundabout at Main South road and Dawsons road. Traffic patterns at the moment would allow for little delays through that new roundabout as a small number of vehicles would turn off the main road currently. Add the change in traffic patterns and the increase in heavy vehicles will have using the turn off or access at Dawsons road and you have significant delays with the additional risk of accidents.

5) Another concern if consent is granted will be the winter conditions down Jones road. I have seen a bus and concrete truck slid of the road in the same spot. It is not nice driving down there in winter as it is at the moment. If the trucks get washed before leaving the site in the winter conditions any water on the road will freeze.

6) Adding an additional row of 10m high trees on the boundary of the proposed site down Dawsons road will mean we have 10m high trees either side of the road. In winter the road will only have a limited amount of sunlight on the road surface increasing safety risks on an already dangerous road.

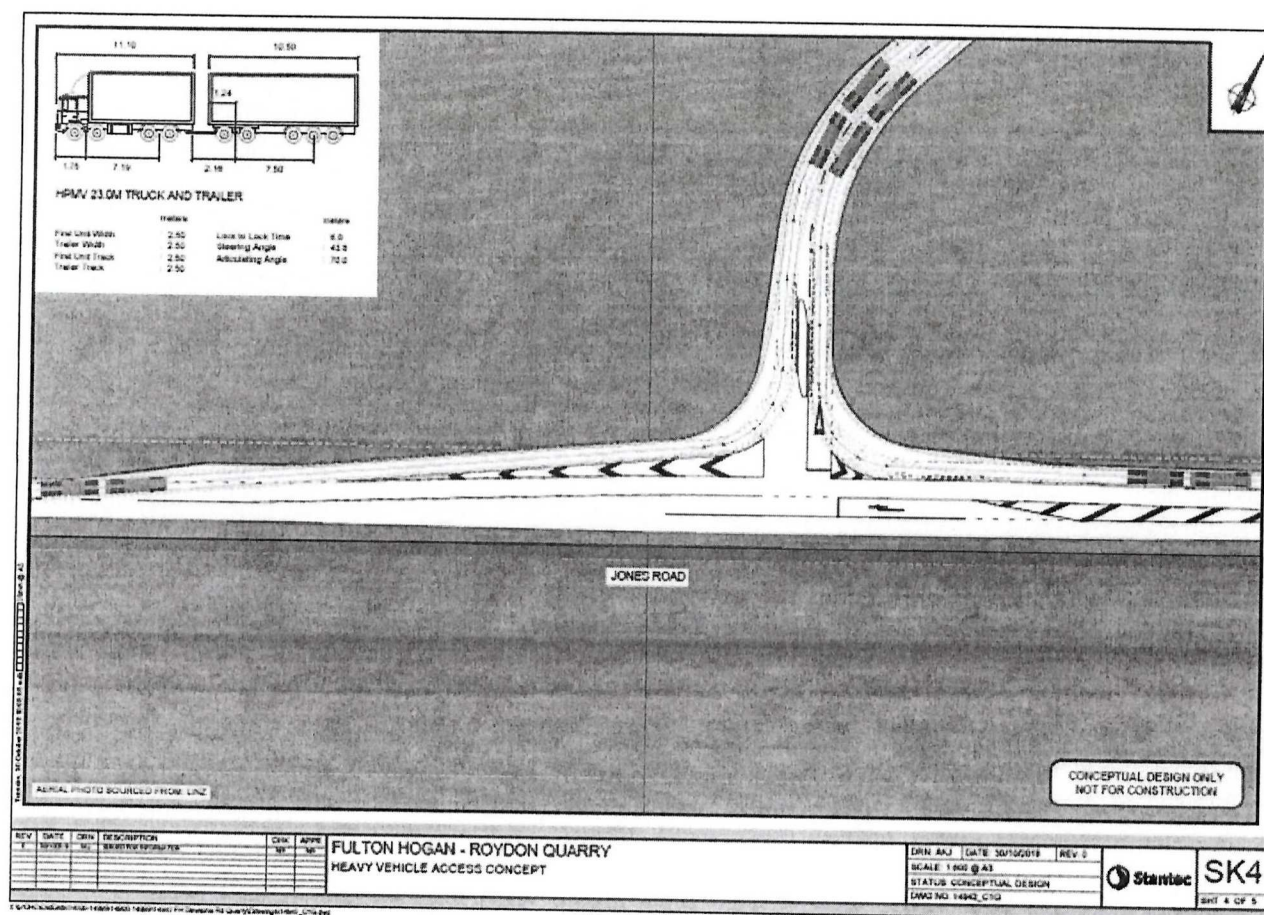
7) Trucks queuing to gain access to the site on Jones road might end up taking more space on Jones road than the proposed turning lanes would allow. Especially considering the length of a truck and trailer is 23m. A few trucks queuing as they wait for oncoming traffic can cause serious traffic build up on Jones road.

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8) Gaining access to Dawson's road from Jones road at the proposed new T intersection that the applicants option 2 suggests, will be almost as difficult and unsafe as it is currently gaining access to Main South Road from Kirk road. The suggested T intersection on Jones road will box Templeton in form two sides.

9) Trucks gaining access to the proposed option 2 roundabout at the intersection of Jones and Dawson's road will be facing away from the railway tracks. They will not be able to see if there is a train coming or if there is any traffic build-up until they exit the roundabout which again will result in trucks queuing on Dawson's road, blocking access from Jones road.

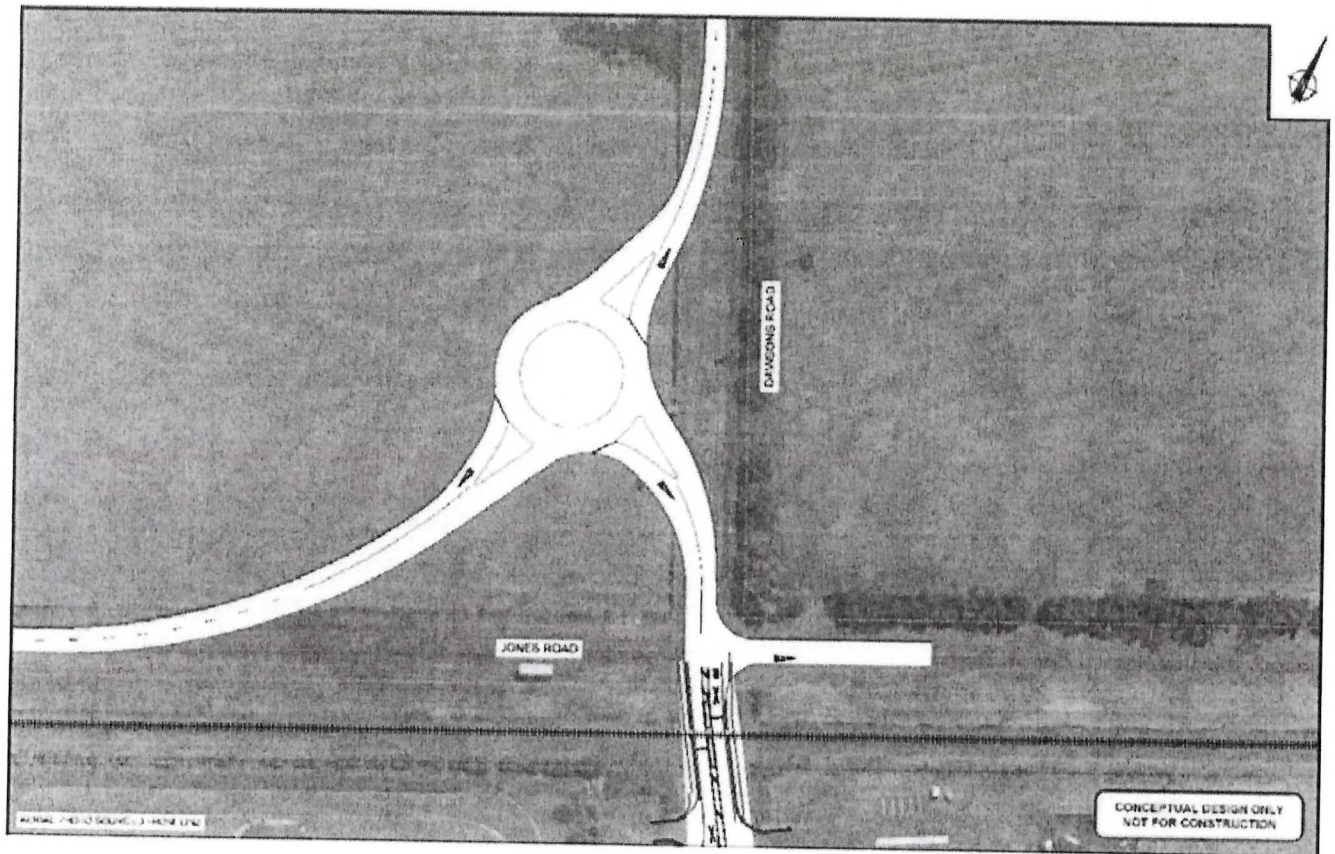


Figure 13-2: Jones Road / Dawsons Road Option 2 Staggered Intersection Concept

6 ) Empty trucks retuning to the roydon quarry and going over rail lines may drop dust on to rail tracks so there could be a build up off dust around that area plus empty trucks are louder as they cross the rail way line.

7) My concerns about dust is the wording acceptable dust levels for Templeton or surrounding area from the roydon quarry , What I'm hearing from other submitters and I agree is no dust is acceptable from that proposed roydon quarry .

8) Strong winds bringing dust to Templeton will interfere with out door acclivity's and likely cause issues with there ventilations systems. In there homes.

9) I'm no dust expert but I have 30 years experience and what I seen with other quarry's which has been outlined by other submitters which is visibility around this time of year on the main roads in this area. I have had near miss in my van with a large stone falling off the truck coming out of a quarry.

10) What guarantee that all trucks have covers of there load.