



PUBLIC NOTICE
Draft Air Synthetic Minor Construction Permit

Comment Period

Notice Date: December 7, 2023
End of Comment Period: January 26, 2024

Permit Applicant: River Bend Aggregates, LLC
Hammet Grove Road
Site Location: Spartanburg, South Carolina
Spartanburg County

Air Permit Number: CP-50000137 v1.0
Agency Air Number: 2060-0665

BAQ Permit Writer: Mareesa J Singleton

River Bend Aggregates, LLC has applied to the Department for an air construction permit for a new greenfield granite quarry and a 550 tons per hour processing plant.

A draft permit and draft statement of basis have been written outlining this proposed project and applicable regulations. This permit will enable the facility to construct and operate in compliance with state and federal air quality regulations. The draft permit has not yet been approved and is open to comment from the public, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Emissions generated by this facility as a result of the proposed project will include:

- Particulate Matter (PM),
- Particulate Matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM₁₀),
- Particulate Matter less than 2.5 micrometers in diameter (PM_{2.5}).

If this permit is approved, federally enforceable facility-wide limits will be established as follows:

- For Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) avoidance
 - Less than 250.0 tons per year (TPY) of PM.
- For Title V avoidance
 - Less than 100.0 TPY of PM₁₀.

If approved, and upon issuance of the draft construction permit, the facility may obtain coverage under the General Conditional Major Operating Permit for Nonmetallic Mineral Processing Plants from the BAQ with no additional public comment period, unless a significant change in the original construction permit has occurred. All emissions limitations and conditions in the draft construction permit have been written to ensure that this facility operates as a Conditional Major Source.



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Notice of Public Meeting and Hearing:

The Department will hold a **public meeting on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.** to answer questions on the proposed project. A **public hearing will follow at 7:00 P.M.** to accept written and verbal comments on the proposed project. The meeting and hearing will be held at the **Benjamin E. Mays Family Center** (850 Sunny Acres Road, Pacolet, SC 29372). Doors will open at 5:30 P.M. to facilitate the sign-in process and provide an opportunity to meet DHEC staff.

For additional information about the proposed quarry, public meeting, and public hearing, please visit our webpage at **www.scdhec.gov/RiverBendQuarry**.

The public meeting is informal and provides an opportunity to have a discussion with DHEC staff about the quarry and environmental permitting process prior to giving comments at the public hearing. The meeting will begin with a DHEC presentation followed by a time to ask questions.

The public hearing is formal and provides an opportunity to make oral comments that will be heard by DHEC staff and recorded by a court reporter. **There will be no questions and answers during the public hearing.** DHEC values each participant's involvement in the public hearing and will conduct it in a respectful, orderly manner with reasonable limits on the length of comments, if necessary.

Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in the public meeting and/or hearing or review the proceedings should contact **Monica Taylor at 803-898-7678, or by email at taylormn@dhec.sc.gov** as soon as possible prior to the hearing to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed.

Interested parties may review the draft permit, draft statement of basis, modeling summary, and permit application at the Department's Columbia Office, or on the Department's website at: <https://epermweb.dhec.sc.gov/ncore/external/publicnotice/search> and submit comments on the draft permit by the end of the public notice period listed above.

Comments must be received no later than the above mentioned "End of Comment Period" date and can be submitted through one of the following methods:

- Website (<https://epermweb.dhec.sc.gov/ncore/external/publicnotice/search>).
- Postal mail to Bureau of Air Quality, Air Permitting Division Director, 2600 Bull Street, SC 29201
- Email at AirPNComments@dhec.sc.gov

Comments should specify, in as much detail as possible, the air quality related issues and identify the portion(s) of the state and/or federal air quality regulations that are of concern and have not been adequately addressed in the draft permit. All comments received by the end of the notice period (Should the comment period end on a weekend or state holiday, comments will be accepted up until close of business the next working day), will be considered when making a decision to approve, disapprove, or modify the draft permit. Please bring this notice to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.

Copies of a draft permit or other related documents can be made for a fee by contacting the Freedom of Information Office (803-898-3882).