



Weldon Quarry Co.

Senator Anthony Bucco (District 25)
Senator Steven Oroho (District 24)
Senator Joe Pennacchio (District 26)

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Dear Senators:

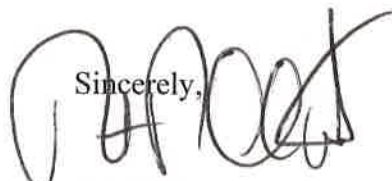
We are writing to follow up on our letters of May 13th, June 10th, and August 19th regarding additional steps we have taken related to the February 2019 discharge of stone fines from the Weldon quarry near Lake Hopatcong.

In addition to the mitigative steps we detailed in our prior letters, we have continued to work closely with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to address any additional stone fines which may have accumulated in the on-site stream near the lake. As previously noted, the stream is an unnamed tributary of the lake to the north of Prospect Point Road.

During September and October, Weldon undertook sediment removal activities in the stream. These activities were conducted in accordance with work plans approved by NJDEP and included removing sediment with hand tools, moving sediment downstream to be collected behind the haybale dams that were previously installed, and extensive removal activities in the lower section of the stream. Specifically, on three separate occasions, Weldon utilized high-capacity Vactor trucks to vacuum sediment from the lower section of the stream and from behind the turbidity curtain at Prospect Point Road for off-site disposal. As discussed with NJDEP, while Weldon's engineer/consultant does not believe that any stone fines have negatively impacted the stream, Weldon conducted this removal work to ensure that any stone fines that may have entered or remained in the stream after the February 2019 discharge were removed.

In an abundance of caution, the previously placed haybale dams and turbidity barrier remain in the stream and will continued to be monitored over the next several weeks. In addition, Weldon is performing restoration work in the areas along the stream that were disturbed during the removal work. It is anticipated that this work will be completed over the next week.

Thank you for your continued attention to this matter. We look forward to our continued discussions with you and the communities you represent.

Sincerely,

Bob Weldon

cc: NJDEP Commissioner, Catherine McCabe
Lake Hopatcong Commission