

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is a public notice that the City of Corona's Planning and Housing Commission will conduct a public hearing in the City Council Chambers at 400 S. Vicentia Ave., on Monday, October 8, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. or thereafter upon the following:

DA2018-0002: Development Agreement between the City of Corona and All American Asphalt establishing the vested right to conduct surface mining operations on approximately 230 acres on a site totaling 321 acres located at 1776 All American Way, generally south of Magnolia Avenue and east of Interstate 15 in the M-3/MR (Heavy Manufacturing/Mineral Resources Overlay) zone, and to establish an extraction royalty payment that All American Asphalt will pay to the City for the duration of the development agreement.

SMP2017-0101: Application made by All American Asphalt to amend an existing surface mine permit and reclamation plan (SMP95-01) to: 1) extend the permit for a period of 100 years; 2) excavate to a depth of 400 feet above mean sea level (amsl) from 500 feet above mean sea level under the existing permit; 3) reconfigure the mining phases of the operation from three to five phases within the current footprint allowed by the existing surface mine permit; and 4) increase total reserves to 177 million tons from 112 million tons. The quarry is located at 1776 All American Way, generally south of Magnolia Avenue and east of Interstate 15 in the M-3/MR (Heavy Manufacturing/Mineral Resources Overlay) zone.

SMRP2018-0001: Application made by All American Asphalt for a surface mine reclamation plan for the reclamation, which includes but is not limited to, the end-use, the backfilling of the pit area to an average elevation of 680 feet above mean sea level, and vegetation of cut slopes with an erosion control hydroseed mix on 230 acres associated with mining activity at the All American Asphalt quarry described by Surface Mine Permit 2017-0101 (formerly SMP95-01) located at 1776 All American Way, generally south of Magnolia Avenue and east of Interstate 15 in the M-3/MR (Heavy Manufacturing/Mineral Resources Overlay) zone.

The City prepared an environmental evaluation to analyze the potential environmental impacts of the project. The surface mine permit was originally approved by the County of Riverside in 1979 and included the adoption of a Negative Declaration. Subsequently, the surface mine permit was amended twice and approved by the County of Riverside and included the adoption of subsequent negative declarations. The City inherited the mining operation in 1991 when the property was annexed into the city. The city issued a surface mine permit for the quarry and adopted a mitigated negative declaration. The surface mine permit was later amended and included the adoption of a negative declaration.

The City of Corona has determined that a subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration should be prepared for the proposed project. CEQA Guidelines § 15162 (a)(2) states that when a negative declaration has been adopted for a project, no subsequent negative declaration shall be prepared for that project unless the lead agency determined, on the basis of substantial evidence in the light of the whole record, substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous negative declaration due to involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects. The project proponent proposes some variations to the previously approved project that involves mining to a depth of 400 feet amsl from 500 feet amsl. This change in itself required additional mitigation measures. The City of Corona has determined that a subsequent mitigated negative declaration is appropriate and in compliance with CEQA.

The Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration is available at Corona City Hall, Community Development Department located at 400 S. Vicentia Avenue. It is also available online at www.CoronaCA.gov or using the following link: <https://www.coronaca.gov/government/departments-divisions/building/projects>

(Applicant: All American Asphalt)

This is a public hearing and you are invited to attend and comment on the applications described above. If you challenge any portion of this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered at, or prior to, the public hearing. If you have written comments that you wish to be included in the staff report, please deliver them to the Planning and Housing Commission Secretary, on or before the Wednesday prior to the meeting. If you have questions about this notice or the application to be heard, please call the Community Development Department at (951) 736-2434.

Planning and Housing Commission Secretary
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