

# Appendix 5

## Community Consultation Documents

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**Hand Delivered**

Dear Resident,

## Re: Oberon White Granite Quarry Proposed Extension

Mudgee Stone Company Pty Ltd ("the Company") currently operates the Oberon White Granite Quarry within Lot 2 DP 1089826, Ferndale Road (see attached **Figure A**) producing roadbase and select fill material for road construction and maintenance and raw material for use at the Rutherford Tile Plant.

The Company has commissioned R.W. Corkery & Co. Pty Limited to prepare an *Environmental Assessment* to accompany an application for project approval to the Department of Planning seeking an increase in the maximum approved annual production, area of extraction and related infrastructure. **Figure B** shows the proposed layout of the extended quarry, whilst **Figure C** shows the location of the quarry in relation to surrounding landholdings and residences.

A summary of key features of the currently approved operation and proposed extension is provided below.

|                                | Approved Operation                                                                         | Proposed Operation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Maximum annual production      | 25 000 tonnes                                                                              | 250 000 tonnes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Quarry Life                    | 20 years                                                                                   | 30 years                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Area of Extraction/Disturbance | 1.4 hectares (disturbance)                                                                 | 6.0 hectares (extraction)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Hours of Operation             | All operations<br>7:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday<br>8:00am to 5:00pm Saturday & Sunday. | Drilling: 7:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday<br>Blasting: 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday<br>Processing: 7:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Saturday.<br>Transportation*: 6:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Saturday and 8:00am to 6:00pm Sunday.                         |
| Truck Movements                | 3 loads (6 movements) per day.                                                             | Average at maximum production: 28 truck loads (56 movements) per weekday and 12 truck loads (24 movements) per day on weekends.                                                                                                                             |
| Blasting                       | 2 blasts per year (currently removing approximately 10 000t to 20 000t per blast).         | Average of 12 production blasts per year removing approximately 20 000t per blast.                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Processing                     | Mobile crushing plant (diesel powered).                                                    | Mobile crushing plant with investigation of connection to mains power and use of static plant.<br><br>Use of rock hammer or small charge popping (mini-blasts) for reduction of oversize (restricted operation between 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday). |
| Stockpiling                    | Stockpiling within extraction area.                                                        | Stockpiling within extraction area, surge stockpile area and designated stockpile area adjacent proposed office and weighbridge.                                                                                                                            |

\* The majority (estimated 85%) of truck movements would occur during Monday to Friday. Generally only small volumes of material would be transported on Sundays, primarily for contingency purposes.

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A more detailed *Preliminary Project Outline and Environmental Assessment* has been provided on the NSW Department of Planning's website ([www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au) – follow the 'Major Project Assessments' tab, 'Register of Major Projects' link and 'Central West' link) together with an update reflecting a number of adjustments to the project design.

With the assistance of a number of specialist consultants, the Company is currently preparing the final *Environmental Assessment* for submission to the Department of Planning and for public exhibition, review and comment. The studies are sufficiently advanced to confirm that, with the incorporation of a range of design and operational safeguards, the quarry could proceed generally in the manner described in the *Preliminary Project Outline and Environmental Assessment*.

We are now in a position to approach the local community to identify and / or obtain more detail about the performance of the existing quarry and any comments or concerns that you may have regarding the proposed extension. It would be greatly appreciated if you could complete the attached community feedback form and return your comments using the reply paid envelope to assist the Company in ensuring that all community concerns regarding the existing and proposed quarry are adequately addressed within the final *Environmental Assessment*. It is noted that opportunity to provide comment directly to the Department of Planning regarding the final *Environmental Assessment* will be provided during the exhibition period.

Should you have any questions or comments relating to the above information or would like to discuss any issues relating to Oberon White Granite Quarry, please don't hesitate to contact me on 02 9985 8511 as I would be pleased to discuss this with you.

Yours sincerely,

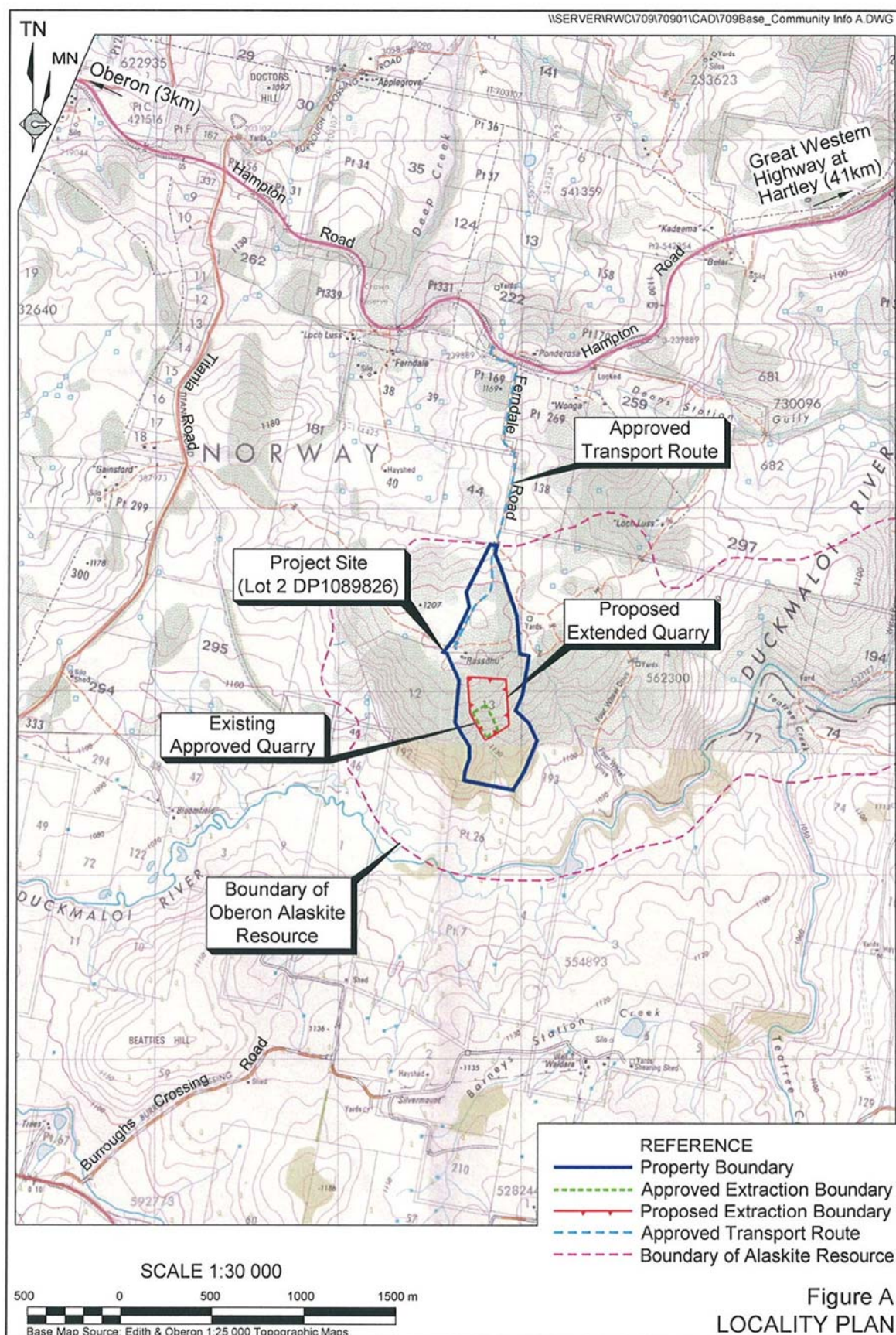
Scott Hollamby  
Environmental Consultant  
R.W. Corkery & Co. Pty Limited

Encls: Feedback Form  
Locality Plan  
Indicative Project Site Layout  
Land Ownership and Residences  
Reply Paid Envelope



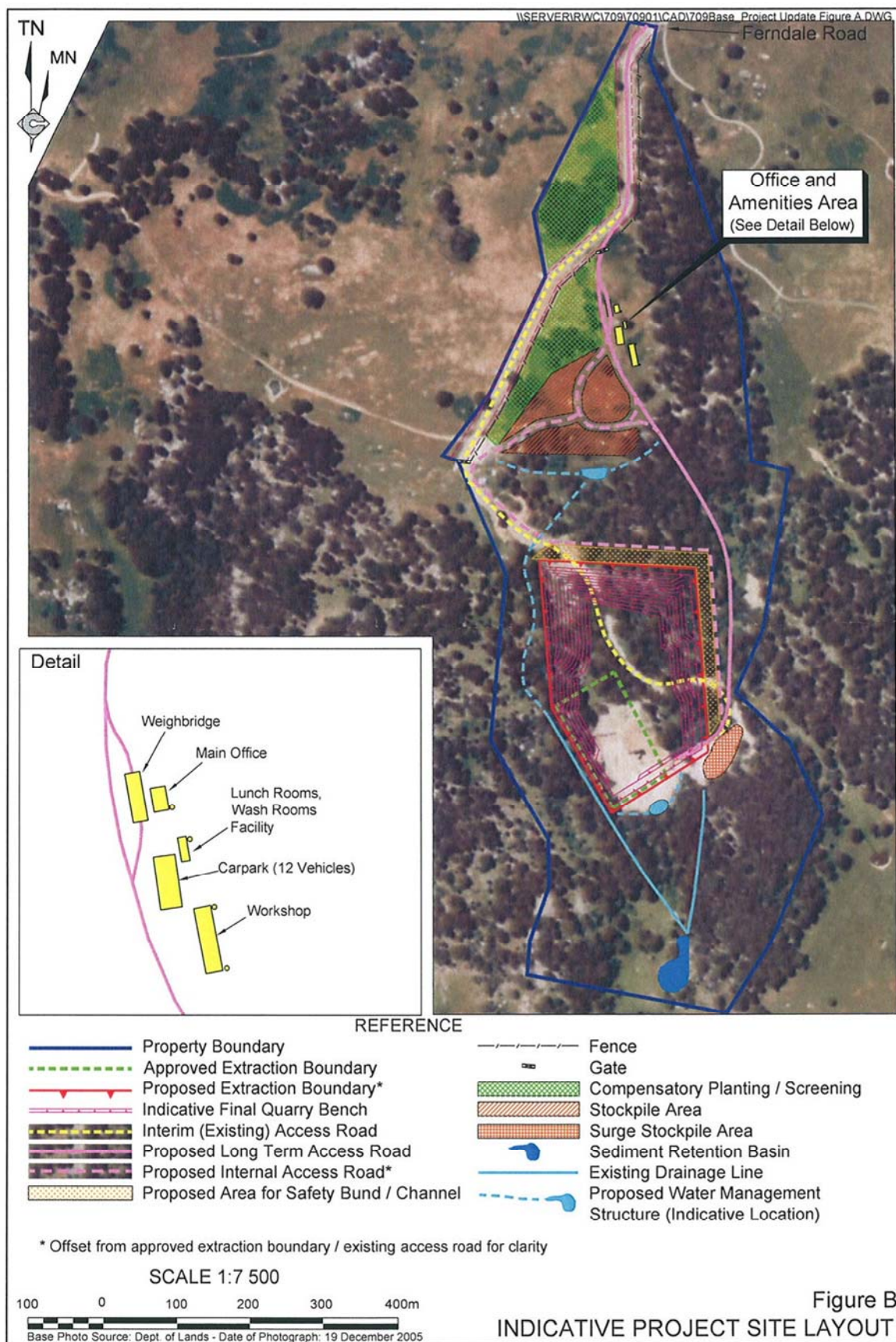
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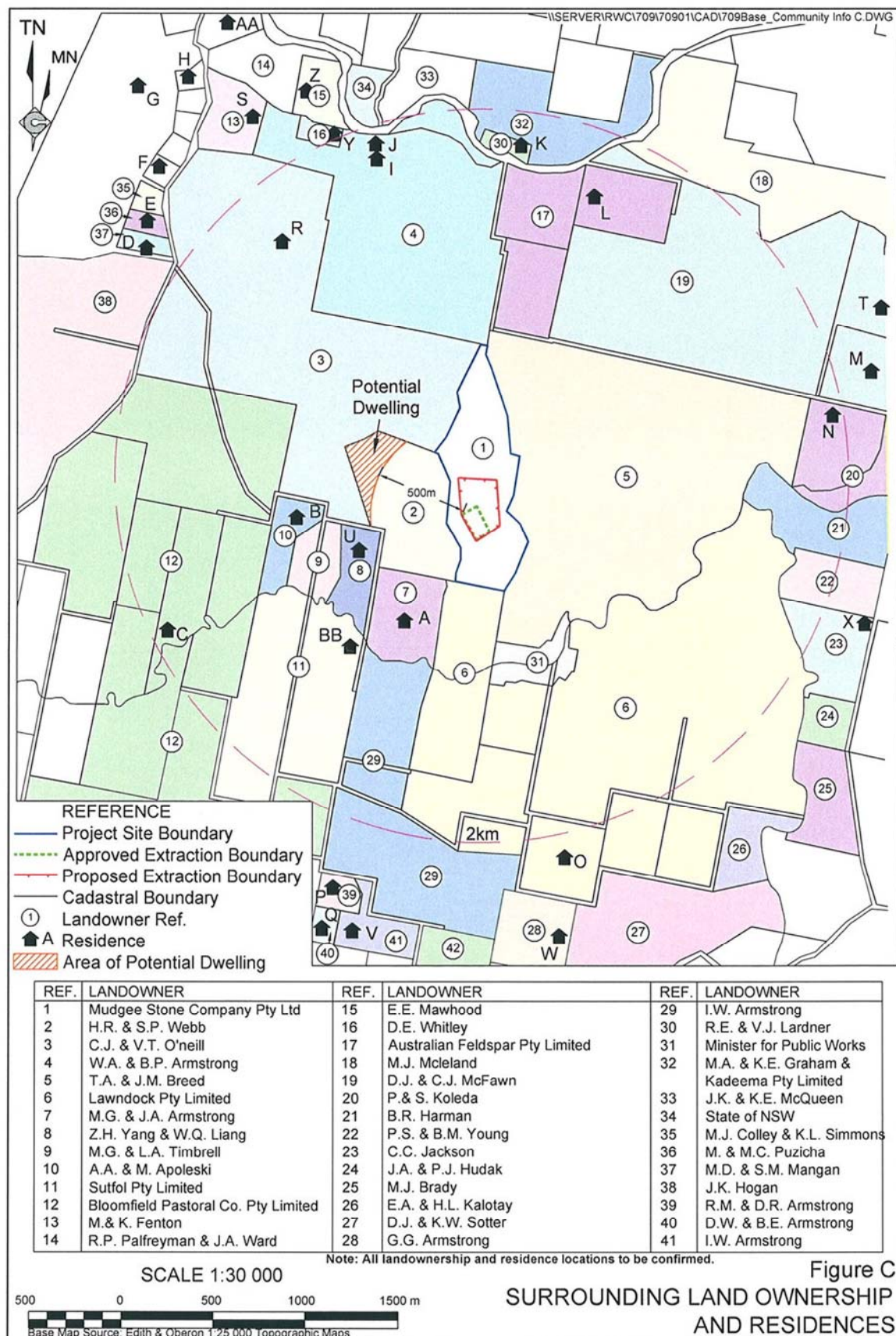
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**OBERON WHITE GRANITE QUARRY  
PROPOSED EXTENSION**

**COMMUNITY FEEDBACK FORM**

Dear Landholder/Resident,

It would be greatly appreciated if you could take a moment to review the attached information and provide any feedback or comments (including any written comments on the attached maps) using the reply paid envelope provided. Alternatively, please contact Scott Hollamby on 02 9985 8511.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Owner

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Tenant

2. Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

3. How long have you lived at this address? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Your Land Use(s) / Activity(ies) on your land?: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Concerns/comments regarding existing quarry operations:

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**5. Comments regarding the proposed extension:**

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**7. Are you prepared to allow monitoring of noise, dust, surface water and/or groundwater on your property should it be recommended by independent experts:**

☐ Yes      ☐ No      ☐ More information required

**8. Are you interested in receiving:**

An electronic copy of the  
Environmental Assessment  
(CD)

☐ Yes      ☐ No

Ongoing information about  
the Project

☐ Yes      ☐ No

**9. Other comments / concerns:**

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**PLEASE RETURN IN THE ATTACHED PRE-PAID ENVELOPE**





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2 July 2008

Dear Resident,

### Re: Oberon White Granite Quarry Proposed Extension – Community Forum

I am writing on behalf of Mudgee Stone Company Pty Ltd and R.W. Corkery & Co Pty Limited to invite you to a community forum for the proposed extension of the Oberon White Granite Quarry. The forum will be held at the Oberon Public School hall, Dart Street, Oberon on Saturday 19 July 2008 between 10:00am and 12:00 noon.

The purpose of forum is to provide you with an update of the proposal and to further discuss issues of interest to the local community building upon the feedback received from the information and feedback form provided to surrounding residents / landholders in February 2008.

It is intended that the forum will involve the following components.

1. An introduction to the Environmental Assessment process and how the Environmental Assessment is being prepared.
2. An overview of the proposed extension and presentation of results / outcomes to date from the Environmental Assessment.
3. An open discussion session where any additional issues of interest can be raised and discussed.

A more detailed printed program will be provided on the morning of the forum.

Representatives from Mudgee Stone Company Pty Ltd and R.W. Corkery & Co Pty Limited will also be available following the forum to discuss issues relevant to individual landholders.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please register your interest and indicate how many members of your family / household would like to attend the forum by telephoning 02 9985 8511 or emailing admin@rwcorkery.com as this will assist in catering for a short tea break.

Should you have any questions, wish to discuss any matter in the meantime or are unable to attend the meeting and would like a copy of any information distributed during the meeting, please don't hesitate to contact Rob Corkery or myself.

We look forward to hearing from you and express our appreciation for your interest and input to date.

Yours sincerely,

Scott Hollamby  
Environmental Consultant  
R.W. Corkery & Co. Pty Limited

