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## Re - Submission OPPOSING the Sancrox Quarry Expansion Project

Dear Ms Anderson

My understanding the Sancrox Quarry's life span before Hanson's recent ownership was 20 years, after which it would relocate to an already identified new extractive quarry site in the Bago area. My objections to the further expansion of Sancrox quarry site today is:

### 1. NOISE – 24 hour Proposal

Currently the quarry operations allow evening and Sunday relief from manufacture noise, meaning I do not have to feel earth tremors, hear reversing truck beeps, machinery rock crushing pitches as rock sizes change and general site sirens. I can open my home windows, doors and enjoy garden BBQ's in relative quietness, something town's people take for granted as pubs, public events, private parties all have time curfews.

Proposed operations to extend to 24hrs: noise, air pollutants and subsurface blasting tremors-disturbance is illogical.

In case you are not aware from the collection of professionally prepared gobble gook reports presented in the quarries applications, the local council has **already approved significant residential and light industry expansion** currently in varying stages of development ALL AROUND THIS QUARRY SITE. New local schools, newly arrived families in their new estates, new small business operators, life style retirees, along with established tourism destinations will be totally impacted by this proposal. **The notion that an expansion and addition of a new concrete batching plant and recycling facility, asphalt production plant and pug mill at the quarry site over the next 30 years is illogical.** Furthermore the eastern Pacific Highway residents (including myself) have to contend with airport traffic noise, fortunately helicopters and sea planes are grounded by darkness!

### 2. Pacific Highway Aesthetics & Local Tourism

Major Hastings businesses located on the Pacific Highway, their visitors and international clientele NOW have to view the UGLY highway facade of this quarry (today pre expansion!) along with any meaningful acoustic buffer recently *felled & chipped!!!* The established, successful businesses next door to this quarry have long been *required* to, and done so with community pride, employ strategies to: showcase their produce, products and screen their manufacture.

To date this quarry does neither and nowhere have I been able to find a Landscape Strategy Report with a 30 year view. Look at it TODAY from the ground, anywhere from the highway, from resident's homes, from internal feeder roads and not from a generic, internet tweetie-bird view.



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