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DATE: July 22, 2026
TO: Landowners of Adjacent Parcels
FROM: Colby Myers
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RE: Notice of Application to Modify Mine Operating Permit I-001289
Wake Stone Corporation | North Myrtle Beach Quarry | Horry County

Wake Stone Corporation has applied to the S.C. Department Environmental Services (SCDES) to modify their permit to mine limestone at a site located at 3990 Hwy 9 Business E in Horry County, approximately 6.7 miles southwest of Loris. Tax records from Horry County show you own property next to these proposed activities.

SCDES will hold a **public hearing on August 27, 2026, at 7:00 PM**, to accept oral and written comments on the proposed quarry modification. A **public meeting will be held from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM prior to the public hearing**. These events will be held at the Public Safety Building in Loris (3909 Walnut Street, Loris, S.C., 29569). Doors will open at 5:30 PM to facilitate the sign-in process and provide an opportunity to meet SCDES staff.

The public meeting is informal and provides an opportunity to have a discussion with SCDES staff about the quarry and environmental permitting process prior to giving comments at the public hearing. The meeting will begin with a 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 SCDES staff and recorded by a court reporter. **There will be no questions and answers during the public hearing.** SCDES 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.

For additional information about the proposed quarry modification, public meeting, and public hearing, please visit our webpage at **<https://des.sc.gov/NorthMyrtleBeachQuarry>**. The webpage will be updated with new information as it becomes available. SCDES's presentation from the meeting will be posted on our webpage prior to the end of the public comment period. **If you are unable to access the webpage or have questions about participating in the public meeting and/or hearing, please contact Catherine Sawyer at (803) 898-0975, or by email at Catherine.Sawyer@des.sc.gov.** Individuals with disabilities or special needs should contact SCDES in advance to discuss any special services required to participate.

A public notice of this intent to modify a mine operating permit and of the public hearing is being advertised in the *Loris Scene* newspaper on July 22, 2026. A copy of this public notice is enclosed. SCDES is currently reviewing the permit application. Information in the application may change during this review. All comments received will be considered before a final permit decision is made. **A final decision regarding the proposed mine has not yet been made and will not be made until after the close of the public comment period on September 11, 2026. Questions and written comments may be submitted via our webpage, email, or U.S. Mail to:**

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Please share this information with others you know who may be interested.