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TOWN OF SUTTON PLANNING BOARD & DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Planning Board

FROM: Jen Hager, Planning & Economic Development Director

DATE: January 26, 2022

RE: Pyne Sand & Stone - Earth Removal Permit

I have reviewed the application for a one-year Earth Removal Permit for Pyne Sand & Stone in accordance with the provisions of the Article 5 of the General Bylaw - Earth Removal Bylaw and attended a site visit with John Federico of Guerriere & Halnon and Murray Bristol of Pyne Sand & Stone, and have the following comments:

Per last year's permit extension, well #2020-1 was supposed to have been excavated out to an elevation of at least 365' so the Board could verify no groundwater is present within 10' of proposed finish elevation of 375' in accordance with the earth removal regulations. As the operator has maintained an elevation of 384' and this new plan intends to maintain this elevation as opposed to 375', the current well which appears to be blocked at 368' can be maintained for the time being as this depth shows the required separation to groundwater.

Should the Board choose to grant this permit, I would recommend the following minimum conditions:

General Conditions:

1. Failure to comply with all Conditions of this Permit, and all sections of the Town of Sutton Earth Removal bylaw, which are a part of this permit, and are attached herewith may result in a Cease and Desist Order and/or fines.
2. Approval of all other applicable local, state and federal agencies, with a copy of said decisions/permits provided to the Planning Board.
3. No Drilling or Blasting allowed in any area of the pit.

Special (or site/operation specific) Conditions:

4. Maintain appropriate dust control measures to prevent blowing onto Route 146 and/or adjacent properties.
5. The next bond for calendar year 2023 must be adjusted to cover the calendar year consistent with the permit time frames of January 1st to December 31st.
6. Before the next monitoring well reading the operator must excavate well "A" to a depth of at least 384', which is 10' below the proposed finish elevation in this area. This must be done in order for the Board to be able to verify excavation is maintaining a minimum of 10' separation to groundwater.

