

July 26, 2018

Canadian Carmelite Charitable Society  
10789 North Deroche Road,  
Mission, BC, V0M 1G0

Dear Neighbours,

As you may be aware the Canadian Carmelite Charitable Society have commenced siteworks and construction of a new meeting hall at 10789 North Deroche Rd. The meeting hall is being constructed to accommodate workshops and meetings for local and visiting parishioners. As part of our obligation to the Ministry of Transportation and the Regional district we will be upgrading a much needed road improvement (sharp restricted curved section at North Deroche & Morton Roads).

It is our goal to pursue sustainable design, construction, and infrastructure for our projects. During the excavation of the monastery and meeting hall, we extracted a large quantity of boulders and sand which was used to construct rock slide mitigation berms. We have stockpiled the remaining material on site in an effort to reduce large truck traffic up and down North Deroche Road. By doing so we eliminated approximately 920 + return truck trips in the neighbourhood and lowered our carbon footprint as well.

We have been saving the trees removed from the site, have had them milled, and are incorporating this wood into the project. You may have noticed a new cedar fence along Deroche Rd. which was made from trees felled and milled on site. Most of the brush and limbs from the logging was mulched and re-used throughout. A wood fired boiler is being incorporated to further minimize fossil fuel consumption.

In an effort to reduce future truck traffic for importing aggregate materials, we are proposing to convert stored boulders into gravel by having a "Cone Crusher" operating on site for approximately an 18 day (or less) period located at the back yard portion of 10699 North Deroche Rd. The equipment will be located roughly 450 feet north of Deroche Rd. which will help reduce equipment noise as there is a stand of trees which will provide additional sound buffering. This temporary operation will be mostly hidden from sight and will potentially commence in the first week of October at the earliest. Crushing hours would be limited to 9am to 5pm Monday through Friday.

All the material crushed for gravel will be for Carmelite use only. Once the equipment is mobilised on site, no additional truck traffic will be endured as the processing is confined to one area. The equipment to be used will have automatic water jets that spray the material as it enters and leaves the machinery so as to minimise air-born dust.

It is with utmost sincerity that our efforts will be directed to reduce any potential impact this may have by endeavouring to shorten the duration of this work. We fully understand the potential equipment noise this process will create (we will be subjected to it as well) and are hopeful that you could support our efforts in keeping this material on-site in order to reduce truck traffic on North Deroche Rd. while lowering our carbon footprint. We've provided a stamped and self-addressed envelope should you wish to convey any of your concerns or questions to us in writing. We would appreciate any feedback you may have on this matter.

Regards,

Canadian Carmelite Charitable Society