

"We have read through the new Davis gravel pit proposal attached to the agenda for the February 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are still not satisfied with the proposal as it does NOT consider the issues we have mentioned, primarily the safety and road conditions issues.

The new proposal route does not stop trucks from coming south through the Alton township roads. Even though the new proposed driveways is angled towards the north, the trucks will come south if they need to go south for any type of project. Our bridges and gravel town and county roads cannot handle the traffic, the load weights, the large number of trucks, and the speed at which these trucks will be driving. No speed limit sign or video-camera will stop trucks from doing what they want. There is also no way to continually enforce any rule unless someone comes forward with a complaint. And, even then, the issue may be addressed once until it becomes a concern again. At that point, the roads are already being used excessively and there is an immediate safety issue for everyone involved.

We were here first...our family farms and acreages and rural way of living. This pit proposal was not. We understand there is a need for gravel and we have no issues with Davis opening this pit up, however he doesn't want to build his own road due to the cost and the fact that the trucks would be going past his family farms. Why do we have to live with this for 30 years when the owner(s) don't want the issues themselves? This will affect our farming and our rural way of living. It will also impact generations to come (if they even want to stay with this nuisance in their backyards).

The new proposal is still too vague and has NOT addressed the road conditions and safety issues. If it is passed, policies will be broken. Our township roads will deteriorate quickly. Our ditches, crops and acreages will be impacted by excessive dust. And our safety will be of utmost concern for everyone on the roads. This new proposal will still be a major nuisance for everyone involved in the Alton Township. "

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