

Public Comment on trucking of Chippewa Sands on October 20, 2014

On October 1, 2014 at the annual permit review of Chippewa Sands, I asked Steve Schimmel, representative of Chippewa Sands, the hours of trucking for Chippewa Sands. He told the board the trucking hours were from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. Trucks arrive before 6:00 am but do not leave before 6:00 am from the mine site as they are clocked out of the scale. On October 6, 2014, four trucks left the mine site between 5:49 am and 5:59 am. On Oct. 8, 2014, two trucks left between 5:55 am and 5:59 am. Steve Schimmel called me last week concerning trucks leaving mine sites prior to 6:00 am and suggested that some of the trucks could have been coming from the Preferred Mine site as they were traveling on County Highway A also. However, I could observe the trucks leaving the Chippewa Sands driveway. He had many calls about the trucks from the Preferred mine site concerning the speed the trucks were traveling and trucks not observing the school bus route schedules. I was not aware of other trucks traveling on County Highway A only that there were many trucks traveling by my place. Steve has been trying to address these problems but has had little cooperation. Trucks from Preferred Sands may be traveling on County Highway DD north as the bridge is supposed to be completed or travelable this week or the end of last week.

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