

Statement on proposed rock crushing plant/quarry in Burnet County

LCRA has not received an application for a proposed quarry/rock crushing project in Hoover Valley as of Sept. 13, 2024.

The proposed project, which would include the quarry and rock crusher, would need a quarry permit under the [Highland Lakes Watershed Ordinance](#)(HLWO). The quarry permit under the HLWO focuses on protecting water quality that may be impacted from stormwater runoff from the project site.

The process for acquiring a quarry permit includes the following steps:

- The applicant meets with LCRA to discuss the permit requirements under the HLWO. As of Sept. 13, LCRA staff has had an informal conversation with project engineers regarding the Hoover Valley proposed project but has not received a request for the required formal pre-development meeting.
- Following the pre-development meeting, the applicant submits a permit application.
- LCRA conducts an administrative review to determine whether the application includes all required information and documents. Applications must include documents such as best management practices to be employed for erosion/sediment control and water quality protection, hydrologic and hydrogeologic reports, a surface water monitoring plan, and a general reclamation guidance plan.
- If LCRA determines the application is administratively complete, LCRA posts the application on LCRA.org and begins a technical review to determine if the application meets the provisions of the HLWO. If the application does not meet the ordinance requirements, LCRA notifies the applicant and the applicant has an opportunity to revise the application to comply with the rules within 30 days. The applicant may request an extension to submit revisions to the application.
- If the project proceeds to the technical review phase, the applicant is required to provide mailed notice to adjacent landowners and local officials, and post notice at the project site.
- LCRA accepts comments from the public throughout the technical review process.

- At the close of the comment period, LCRA staff considers the application and all public comments. If the project meets the requirements of the ordinance, LCRA issues the requested permit.
- Updates to the project status, including correspondence between LCRA and the applicant after the application is filed, are posted on LCRA.org.