

**Mineral Lands Task Force
Minutes Meeting #4
February 21, 2012
6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
6701 NE 147th Avenue**

Attendees: Richard Dyrland, Richard Fazio, Linda Rectanus, Barb Repman, Chuck Rose, Bob Short

Staff: Mike Mabrey, Jan Bazala

Minutes of the January 10 meeting were approved as written.

Criteria for designating sites at the property owners request – Mike provided a draft of code language changes that would clarify the procedure (Type III) and establish criteria for adding or removing the surface mining overlay. The group decided that there was no reason to include reference to the site being “within an area identified on the DNR inventory map as having speculative aggregate resources”, because the map may not be readily available and any applicant to add the overlay would likely be able to submit data from test pits or borings which confirms the presence and depth of the aggregate resource.

Richard proposed that a fourth option be added to the list of possible conditions to be met to justify removal of the surface mining overlay – that environmental constraints cannot be mitigated or make mining impractical. The group agreed to add this condition. Mike will submit proposed language (see attachment). There was discussion about adding protection of habitat, species and other environmental mitigation to the list of Mitigating Measures under 40.560.020(E)(2)(c), however the group decided this change was not necessary since the list does not limit the measures that can be included in a concomitant rezone agreement. In addition, there was concern that these agreements are used for other types of rezones, so adding language might affect these rezones in ways that were not intended.

Review of current mining policies – The group discussed each of the 20 existing policies and recommended that eight be deleted three be modified and two be reviewed again for possible changes to the language (see attachment).

All maps and meeting notes are posted on the new revised project webpage:
<http://www.co.clark.wa.us/planning/mining.html>

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 14 from 6:00 to 8:00 at the fire station meeting room at 6701 NE 147th Avenue (SE corner of Fourth Plain and Ward Road).