

# GREATER RIVERSIDE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

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May 30, 2006

Supervisor Bob Buster, Chairman  
Riverside County Supervisor, District #1  
4080 Lemon St 5th Fl  
Riverside CA 92501

Dear Supervisor Buster,


The Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce supports in concept the Liberty Quarry Project being proposed by the Granite Construction Company. We believe that this quarry is essential to meet the aggregate demands for the entire region. Over the last couple of years the cost for aggregate has skyrocketed, which has greatly impacted the cost of development and infrastructure construction in Riverside County. Due to these increases in demand and cost many projects have been delayed, scaled back, or cut completely. Liberty Quarry would help ease these pressures that continue to drive costs up.

Liberty Quarry would also have the added benefit of reducing air pollution and traffic by rerouting trucks that are currently traveling through Riverside County to San Diego County to closer destinations. This quarry is strategically located on the Riverside County and San Diego County boarder, which will make it ideal for serving the needs of the City of Temecula and Northern San Diego County. It is also located outside of the MSHCP Criteria Cell Area and near a major freeway while remaining out of sight from passersby. This project will also generate hundreds of millions of dollars for the County of Riverside in sales tax revenues and new property taxes over the life of the project.

The board believes that Liberty Quarry is greatly needed and should be developed.

Thanks you for your consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Cindy Roth  
President/CEO

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cc: Supervisor John Tavalione, District #2  
Supervisor Jeff Stone, District #3  
Supervisor Roy Wilson, District #4  
Supervisor Marion Ashley, District #5