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Mining operation - LA PAZ

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Hi David,

I am reaching out to address your question regarding mining operations (160-acre site with a proposed 101 acres of disturbed area for mining) in La Paz County and permitting information. Our zoning regulations require a substantial update (my apologies). Provision 101.06 of the County's Zoning Regulations specifically covers the interpretation of such request. It clearly states that the County should not restrict, regulate, prevent the use, or occupation of land improvements for mining if the tract in question is five or more contiguous commercial acres. Further, A.R.S. 11-812 is cited as a reference to ensure that the County adheres to its requirement(s).

Your assessment is accurate. While the permitting process is not required for the client you represent and his 160-acre site, it would be beneficial to our department, though not required, to provide approval from Arizona State Agencies involved in this process for informational purposes.

I apologize for the confusion, if you have additional question, please reach out to me, thank you.

Sincerely,

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