

Review of Alternative Modes of Transport

Preliminary Preferred Alternative Mode of Transport

Although not without significant potential for impacts on several environments in the vicinity of the quarry and along the designated routes; it is clear the shipment of aggregate material from the site to the numerous customer destinations by direct transport by truck is the only option that is economically and practically feasible. Movement of the aggregate material entirely by rail is not feasible. Achieving rail access to the quarry may not be feasible and would potentially have significant impacts. Movement of the aggregate material by rail to a transfer facility would generate an impact on environments associated with the requirement for two or more locations of concentrated activity and environmental impact, and requires triple handling of the material in order to complete shipment.

Conclusion

The preliminary preferred solution is to ship the aggregate material from the quarry to the numerous customer destinations by direct transport by truck.

