

### Proposed Edge Road Mine **PUBLIC HEARING**



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### Proposed Edge Road Mine

Mine Operating Permit Application I-002375

Horry County

Public Hearing – June 30, 2022







- Gathering Time & Instructions for Participating Remotely
- Introductions & Opening Remarks
- DHEC Presentations
  - Mining
  - Coastal Zone Consistency
- Closing Remarks
- Hearing Adjourned



# **Mining Topics**

- Mine Permitting Process
- General Information
- Proposed Permitted Area
- Reclamation
- Other DHEC Requirements
- Agency Responses
- Addressing Common Concerns
- Next Steps











 PIN#:
 361-05-01-0001

 361-00-00-0009
 361-00-00010

Total Area: 33.0ac

Land Use: Undeveloped & Residential

**Owner: Soilutions, LLC** 



Proposed Permitted Area Total Area: 33.0ac Affected Area: 24.1ac Buffer: 8.9ac Depth: 50ft.

Buffer Area is defined as setback or areas that will not be disturbed beyond the pre-mine natural state.

**Green:** Proposed 50ft. Undisturbed buffer

Yellow: Proposed 50ft. Undisturbed Wetland Buffer

**Red:** Proposed silt fencing



### Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve

#### Total Area: 10,427 ac.

#### **Proposed Protections:**

- 50-foot Buffers
- Silt Fencing
- Other BMP's
- Segmented Mining



### **Proposed Mining Process**

- Installation of BMPs
- Clearing of trees and vegetation
- Topsoil removed and stockpiled for future reclamation
- Pit developed and dewatered, as needed
- Sand material loaded and trucked off-site



Silt fence





#### **Reclaimed Mine Area**







Check Dams



### Reclamation

**Reclamation** is the planned process for restoring the affected land to a useful purpose while protecting natural resources of the surrounding area.

- Reclamation plan included in application
  - Will be reclaimed to ponds and grasslands
  - Land is sloped and graded during the mining process
  - Stockpiled topsoil used to enhance vegetation
- Reclamation bond is required to ensure that reclamation is completed



### **Examples of a reclaimed Sand Mine**





# **Other DHEC Requirements**

#### Bureau of Water

- National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit
- Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

#### Ocean and Coastal Resource Management

• Coastal Zone Consistency (CZC) Certification



### Notified State, Federal, Other Agencies

- DHEC Bureau of Water (BOW)
- DHEC Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM)
- SC DHEC Regional Office
- SC Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR)
- SC Fish and Wildlife Services (SCFWS)
- Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)
- SC Department of Transportation (SCDOT)

- Horry County Government
- State Representative Kevin Hardee
- National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS-NOAA)
- SC Department of Archives and History (SCDAH-SHPO)
- SC Wildlife Federation (SCWF)
- US Army Core of Engineers (USACE)
- Gullah/Geechee Nation



### **Common Concerns**

- Safety, Dust, and Increased Truck Traffic on Edge Road.
- Hydrology and Groundwater Concerns
- Noise Concerns

### **Concerns for Edge Road Use, Increased Truck Traffic and Dust**

- S.C. Mining Act does not grant DHEC authority to regulate truck traffic outside the permit boundary.
  - DHEC can only evaluate physical effects of mining, such as blasting or undermining.
- SC DOT, SC Public Service Commission, or Horry County Department of Public Works have jurisdiction:
  - SC DOT District 5 3018 E. Palmetto Street Florence, SC 29506 (803) 661-4710
  - SC Public Service Commission contact@psc.sc.gov | (803) 896-5100
  - Horry County Public Works (843) 915 - 5410





### **Common Concerns**

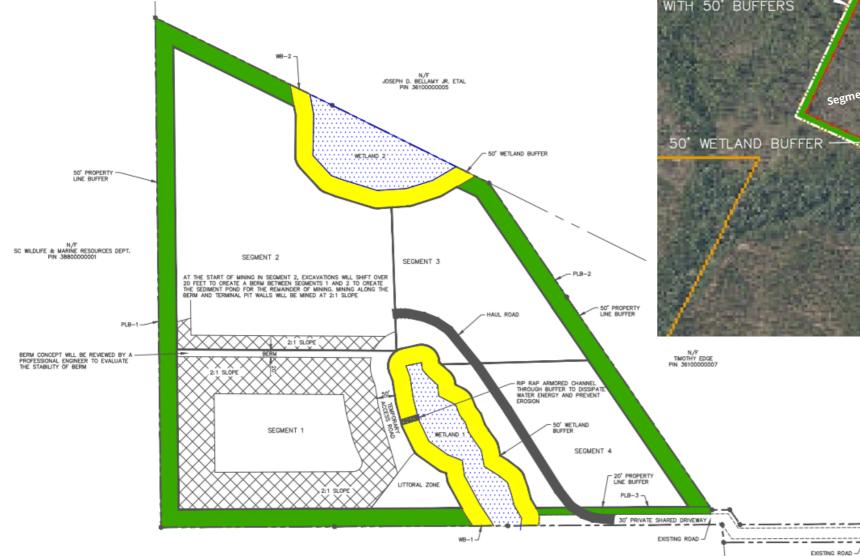
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#### **Hydrology & Groundwater**

#### Well Survey Information Form Who? Where? How Many? How Deep?

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Name:				
Address:				
Telephone:	()			
E-mail addres				
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Tax Parcel Number: County:				
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Please submit additional forms if you have more than 2 wells.				
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## Coastal Zone Consistency Determination





# **CZC Certification**

- Coastal Network Program
  - For those resource impacts, requires coordination with appropriate resource agencies
- Project review is performed concurrently with Mining and Reclamation Section



# **CZC Certification cont**.

- Policy based review under the Coastal Zone Management Program
  - Project specific policies
    - Coastal Industries, Stormwater Management
  - Coastal resource policies
    - State T&E species, wetlands, archaeological and cultural resources, Geographical Areas of Particular Concern (GAPC)
- GAPCs
  - Reviewed for impact to their stated "Priority of Uses"
    - Heritage Trust Program
    - Threatened and Endangered Species Habitats



# **Next Steps**

- DHEC will review all comments received and conclude the technical review.
- DHEC will make a final permitting decision and provide notification and a written response to all comments to everyone on mailing list.
- Final decision date begins 15-day appeal period.



# **How to Comment**

#### Submit comments by mail or email through

#### July 15, 2022 to:

Kaylin Joye DHEC/BLWM 2600 Bull Street Columbia, SC 29201 Joyeke@dhec.sc.gov

Additional information can be found at:

www.scdhec.gov/EdgeRoadMine



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