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ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY SUMMER 2020

The Summit Pit



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1.0 Introduction

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This report summarizes input received from Mountain Ash Limited Partnership's (Mountain Ash) online engagement program for their Summit Pit project, held from August 10 – August 24, 2020.

Due to public health situation related to COVID-19 and restrictions to non-essential public gatherings, Mountain Ash provided alternative methods to learn about the project and get involved rather than hosting an in-person public engagement event. Members of the public were invited to visit the project website to learn about the project and complete an online survey, or they could request to receive hard copy materials.

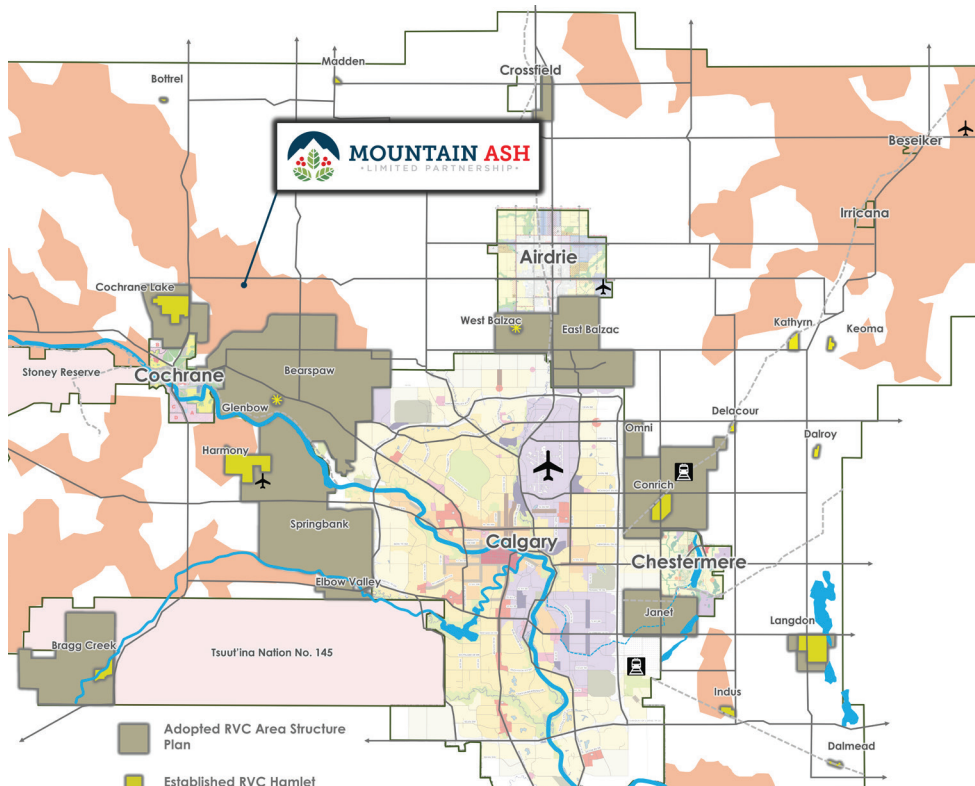
The objective of the engagement program was to provide information related to the Master Site Development Plan submission, proposed mitigation measures, and to collect public input.

2.0 Project Background

Summit Pit, a proposed aggregate operation, is located along Highway 567 northeast of the Town of Cochrane (or legally defined as W 1/2 31-26-3 W5M) and is about 87.7 ha (216.6 acres), of the total 131 ha (323 acres) land that is subject to the application. The remainder of the land will remain undisturbed as a natural area. Operations planned for the project include stripping topsoil and overburden materials, mining the underlying sand and gravel, and eventual reclamation of disturbed areas. The area surrounding the proposed project includes a mix of agricultural, farmsteads and business land uses such as natural resource industrial, oil and gas wells, and highway business development.

A Master Site Development Plan (MSDP) and land use amendment to change the use of the land from agricultural to Direct Control (DC) to allow for an aggregate extraction was submitted to Rocky View County on March 27, 2020. The MSDP complies with the relevant policies of the County Plan (Bylaw C-7280-2013) and received first reading on June 9, however it is not yet approved.

To learn more about the project, visit our website at: www.summitpit.com




3.0 Engagement Overview

The engagement program was primarily focused on sharing information and collecting feedback online through a dedicated website. Members of the public were invited to review the contents of the website and then complete an online survey. For those that requested hard copy materials, an information package containing the same information as the website was sent to them by mail along with a hard copy survey and return envelope. In total, 24 surveys were completed.

The public engagement program was advertised in the following ways:

- A mailing was distributed to landowners within a 1-mile radius of the subject site about two weeks prior to the online public engagement program.
- A quarter page newspaper ad was published in Rocky View Weekly, Cochrane Eagle and the Cochrane Times and ran for two weeks starting the first week of August.

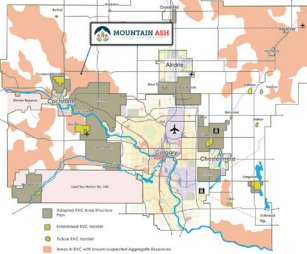

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Dear landowner,

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GET INVOLVED

As part of the application process, Mountain Ash would like to hear from you. Due to public health situation related to COVID-19 and restrictions to non-essential public gatherings, Mountain Ash is providing alternative methods to learn about the project and get involved rather than hosting an in-person public engagement event.

OPTION 1

Following your review of the project website (www.summitpit.com), you are invited to complete the corresponding survey found on the site (or can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/summitpit>).

This survey is live from August 10 - 24, 2020. Once the survey is complete, all responses will be analyzed and outlined in a summary report and shared publicly.

OPTION 2

If you prefer to participate using hard copy materials, please contact the project team and a package will be sent to you. The deadline to request hard copy surveys to ensure inclusion in the summary report is August 13, 2020.

For questions about the project or the engagement process, or to request hard copy materials, please get in touch with our project representative:

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Mountain Ash Limited Partnership is hosting an online Public Engagement Program for its Summit Pit project from August 10 to August 24, 2020.

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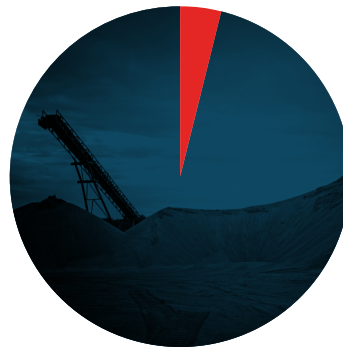


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4.0 What We Heard

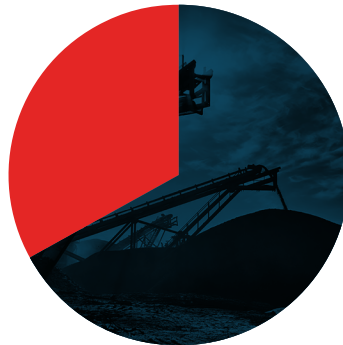
The survey included five questions, three of which were multiple choice while two were open ended. Results of these questions are as follows:

1. I reviewed the project website before completing this survey.



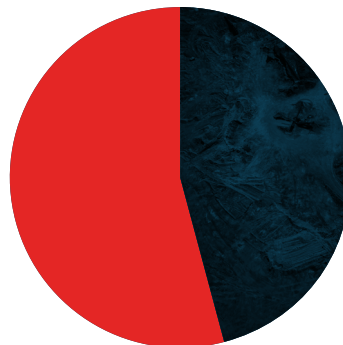
■ YES - 96%
■ NO - 4%

2. I live within 2 km of the proposed Summit Pit project.



■ YES - 67%
■ NO - 33%

3. I understand the developer's rationale for advancing this application, and that it represents the overall progression of a section of the previously approved project.



■ YES - 54%
■ NO - 46%

4. Proposed mitigation measures to reduce potential impacts caused by the project have been developed in response to stakeholder feedback and results of technical studies. Do you have any questions, comments or ideas related to the proposed mitigation measures described on the website?

| Topic | Mentions |
|---|----------|
| Traffic (safety, debris) | 4 |
| Dust | 4 |
| Water contamination | 4 |
| Too close to residences/go elsewhere/opposed | 3 |
| Cumulative impacts | 2 |
| Noise | 2 |
| Too many pits already | 2 |
| Environmental impacts | 2 |
| No | 2 |
| Wetland disturbance | 1 |
| Mistrust Mountain Ash | 1 |
| Reclamation | 1 |
| Health impacts | 1 |
| Increased monitoring | 1 |
| Proximity to Big Hill Springs Prov. Park is a concern | 1 |

5. Following your review of the project website, do you have any questions or comments about the proposed Summit Pit project generally?

| Topic | Mentions |
|---|----------|
| No more gravel operations in area/opposed | 7 |
| Wait until judicial review is done | 4 |
| Traffic (volume, safety) | 3 |
| Road maintenance needed | 3 |
| Dust | 2 |
| Cumulative impacts | 2 |
| No | 2 |
| Water contamination | 2 |
| More vegetation | 2 |
| Compensation for losses | 1 |
| Noise | 1 |
| Wildlife impacts | 1 |
| Residents feel unheard | 1 |
| Proximity to Big Hill Springs Prov. Park is a concern | 1 |
| Reclamation | 1 |
| Higher berms | 1 |

As part of the application process, MALP completed several comprehensive technical studies to assess site conditions and develop mitigation measures to address community concerns, included those mentioned in the survey. MALP believes that the mitigations proposed within the Master Site Development Plan will effectively reduce and/or eliminate concerns related to site operations and would allow them to operate as a good neighbour in the community.

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