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## Kirkland Mine questions

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Hi all,

I am anticipating some questions will arise at the July 11 Public Scoping meeting that are directed at Yavapai County, so this is a heads-up.

1. The Mine is located on BLM land, plus 4 acres of private land. According to the Mining Plan of Operation (attached as a .pdf file), the private land will have J Johns and a few storage and temporary buildings — in short, not much. Since Yavapai County General Fund, and our local Skull Valley school are funded by property tax only, citizens are interested in understanding how much tax money might the County and school district expect? **The issue here is the potential for large impact on the County vs very small tax revenue.**

2. The Mining Plan of Operation calls for 30 - 85 truckloads of material per day, plus 8 - 15 water trucks, plus ancillary trucks. Assuming a M-F operation, this could amount to **a truck every 3 minutes on Iron Springs road**. Trucks heading North would then presumably turn onto Williamson Valley road, etc. Trucks heading South would travel through Yarnell. Lots of people and homes affected. What, if anything, can the County do to address this? The Plan also calls for 40 - 80 hour per week daylight operations, not just 8:00- 5:00.

3. Does the 4 acre private parcel need to be **re-zoned for commercial operation**? What is this process for this, and is this the mechanism by which the County can have a “say” in things? The Mining Plan of Operation calls for a 10,000 gallon diesel storage tank and a 2,500 gallon wastewater storage tank.

No doubt there will be more, but I thought it would be nice for you guys to be prepared to address these type of things. Also, I suspect Supervisor Craig Brown should be “in the loop”?

Thanks for all you do for the citizens of Yavapai County!

Best regards,

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