

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155 Seattle, WA 98101

AIR & RADIATON DIVISION

May 3, 2022

Mr. James Essig Resource Coordinator Granite Construction Company 1525 East Marine Drive Everett, Washington 98201

Dear Mr. Essig:

This letter revises the approval of the Request for Coverage under the General Air Quality Permit for New or Modified Minor Source Stone Quarrying, Crushing, and Screening Facilities (SQCS General Permit) in Indian Country issued to Granite Construction Incorporated (Granite) on September 22, 2016, pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA) Tribal Minor New Source Review (NSR) Program, as explained below. The project for which the SQCS General Permit coverage is sought is the operation of an existing stone quarrying, crushing, and screening facility located at the Omak Facility within the exterior boundaries of the Colville Reservation (the Project).

**Permittee:** Granite Construction, Inc.

80 Pond Road

Yakima, Washington 98901

**Location:** Omak Facility

249-B Rodeo Trail Road

Okanogan, Washington 98840

Okanogan County Colville Reservation

**Permit #:** R10TNSR00301 (replaces R10TNSR00300)<sup>1</sup>

#### **Determination**

The original September 22, 2016, approval (Permit# R10TNSR00300) for Granite to construct and operate a Stone Quarrying, Crushing, and Screening (SQCS) facility under coverage of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10's SQCS General Permit at their Omak Facility was issued as a joint approval of both this SQCS facility and a Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) plant. On February 8, 2019, a synthetic minor source permit was issued by the EPA, Region 10 for the HMA plant. Upon issuance of the synthetic minor permit, the prior 2016 joint approval no longer applied to the HMA plant but

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The original approval was issued September 22, 2016, and administratively revised, effective May 3, 2022.

continued to apply to the SQCS facility at the Omak Facility. The EPA, Region 10 issued a letter to Granite on March 5, 2019, to explain the situation, clarifying that the original approval still and only applied to the SQCS facility. This is an administrative revision to the original approval to remove all language and requirements specific to the HMA plant. Contact information has also been updated. This revision does not authorize any new construction at the Omak Facility.

The EPA, Region 10 carefully reviewed Granite's original Request for Coverage and other relevant information, to determine whether the Project meets all the criteria to qualify it for coverage under the SQCS General Permit. Based on our review of, and in reliance on, all the information and representations provided in the original Request for Coverage, the EPA, Region 10 determined that the Project meets all such criteria and is eligible for coverage under the SQCS General Permit.<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, pursuant to 40 CFR 49.156(e), the EPA, Region 10 approved the Request for Coverage for the Project.

This Approval of the Request for Coverage authorizes the Permittee to operate the permitted source only at the facility location listed above. The Permittee is subject to Version 1.0 of the aforementioned SQCS General Permit, a copy of which is enclosed with this Approval of Request for Coverage.<sup>3</sup> The analysis and basis for the EPA, Region 10's determination is discussed in more detail in the enclosed Technical Support Document for this action. All notifications and reports required by the SQCS General Permit shall be sent to the address below:

Clean Air Act Compliance Manager U.S. EPA – Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155, 20-C04 Seattle, WA 98101-3123

This Approval of Request for Coverage must be posted prominently at the site location (Omak Facility) and each affected emissions unit must be labeled with the applicable identification number listed in the table below.

**List of Affected SQCS Emission Units** 

ID#	Description of Affected Emission Units	Control Technology <sup>a</sup>
001	Jaw Crusher: Pioneer; manufactured 2013; 800 tons/hour	Pressurized Spray and Enclosure
002	Cone Crusher: JCI 54; manufactured 2013; 600 tons/hour	Pressurized Spray and Enclosure
003	Rolls Crusher: 55 inches x 30 inches; manufactured 2013; 250 tons/hour	Pressurized Spray and Enclosure
004	Rolls Crusher: 55 inches x 30 inches; manufactured 2013; 250 tons/hour	Pressurized Spray and Enclosure

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> We note that the EPA, Region 10 has determined that Granite has provided information demonstrating that it has met the listed species and historic properties eligibility criteria in the SQCS Permit for the Project, as discussed in our TSD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The SQCS General Permit is also available at https://www.epa.gov/tribal-air/general-permits-and-permits-rule-final-action-5-source-categories-april-17-2015, and a copy of this Approval will be posted on the EPA, Region 10's website at https://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/air-permits-issued-epa-region-10.

ID#	Description of Affected Emission Units	Control Technology <sup>a</sup>
005	Cone Screen: 6 x 16 Twin JCI Deck; manufactured 2013; 500 tons/hour	Water Spray Bar
006	Roll Screen: 6 x 16 Twin JCI Deck; manufactured 2013; 250 tons/hour	Water Spray Bar
007	Roll Screen: 6 x 16 Twin JCI Deck; manufactured 2013; 250 tons/hour	Water Spray Bar
6-10	Conveyors: 30 inches x 40 feet; manufactured 2013; 250,000 tons per year	Uncontrolled

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Two 1093 hp Caterpillar C27 diesel generators were included in the application as portable non-road engines, exempt from the engine requirements in the General Permit.

## **Applicable Permit Conditions**

Your permitted source is subject to all terms and conditions in the SQCS General Permit as specified in the permit. Because your application requested the elective synthetic minor limit for co-located sources, your source must comply with Conditions 16 and 19.e in the SQCS General Permit.

### **Additional Information**

You are reminded that you must operate the affected emissions units, and any associated air pollution control technologies, in compliance with the SQCS General Permit and all other applicable federal air quality regulations and in a manner consistent with all the representations made in your Request for Coverage. You must comply with all applicable provisions of the General Permit, including those set forth in the attachments and emission limitations that apply to the affected emissions units at the permitted source. Noncompliance with any permit provision is a violation of the permit and may constitute a violation of the CAA; is grounds for an enforcement action; and is grounds for the EPA, Region 10 to revoke the Approval of the Request for Coverage and terminate your source's coverage under the General Permit. You may be subject to enforcement action for failure to obtain a preconstruction permit if you construct your source under this Approval of Request for Coverage and your source is later determined not to qualify for the conditions and terms of the SQCS General Permit.

The EPA, Region 10's Approval of Request for Coverage for the Project is a final agency action for purposes of judicial review, only for the issue of whether the Project qualifies for coverage under the

SQCS General Permit. 40 CFR 49.156(e)(6). Any petition for review of this approval action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit pursuant to CAA section 307(b).

If you have any questions, please contact Jay McAlpine at (206) 553-0094 or mcalpine.jay@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Krishna Viswanathan Director

## **Enclosures:**

- 1. SQCS General Permit Version 1.0
- 2. Technical Support Document
- cc: Mr. Rodney Cawston
  The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Ms. Kathy Moses
The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation