

TO: Redwood County Planning Commission

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RE: Planning Commission Hearing on February 24, 2026



A meeting of the Redwood County Planning Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, the 24th day of February, 2026, beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Redwood County Government Center, 403 South Mill Street, Redwood Falls, MN 56283.

The meeting will involve two (2) public hearings. A brief summary of the subject matter of each hearing is set forth below.

1. Public Hearing on Application for Extraction Interim Use Permit (4-26) submitted by Cooper Scheffler of L&S Construction Corp. o/b/o landowner Ryan Robinson

L&S Construction Corp. is seeking to permit to mine, process, and stockpile crushed granite from a hard rock mine site located in Sections 32(N) and 5 of Delhi Township. The property is owned by Ryan and Megan Robinson.

The total site, including areas for mining, processing, and stockpiling, will be 39.61 acres. The current land use is cattle grazing. The materials mined from the site will be primarily used for roadway construction and development. There will be blasting on site. The nearest home, other than the landowners, is approximately 2,500 feet from the main blast area. See the permit application materials for a detailed description of the project provided by L&S, including information on dust control, noise control, erosion prevention, hours of operation, mining and crushing, and reclamation. L&S is requesting a 10-year permit beginning on March 1, 2026 and ending on March 1, 2036.

The site is located in the Agriculture District. Mining is an Interim Use in said district.

There is a possible wetland area on the northern part of the site. Environmental Office staff and Soil and Water staff plan to meet with the applicants onsite to investigate the wetland prior to the Planning Commission meeting.

An EAW is not needed for this project because it excavates less than 40 acres of land.

The closest residential dwellings to the site, other than the landowner, are as follows: Troy Loiselle, 40091 County Hwy 6, about 1,300' northwest of the site; LeRoy Petersen, 28502 395th St., about 2,565' south of the site; and Owen and Diane Vogland, 27829 400th St., about 2,925' west of the site. There is a seasonal recreational dwelling approximately 2,100' north of the site.

The soils present on the site are as follows: Rock outcrop-Copaston complex, Terril loam, Terril-Swanlake loams, Estherville sandy loam, and Wadena loam.

A copy of the Interim Use Permit application, maps, plans, and proposed permit conditions are enclosed.

2. Public Hearing on Animal Confinement Feedlot Conditional Use Permit Application (5-26) submitted by John Schwartz of Schwartz Family LLC, o/b/o landowner Brennen Boettger

Schwartz proposes to construct a new 184'x153'x8' total confinement barn with under-barn, concrete manure storage area for 3300 head of swine 55-300 pounds. After construction, the total animal units will be 990.

The site is located on 180th St. in Section 25 of Sundown Township. The property is zoned Agricultural. Feedlots are a conditional use in the Agricultural District. A conditional use permit is required for any new feedlot over 300 animal units.

A new well will be constructed more than 100 feet from the barn. The nearest county tile line is located approximately 2,165 feet southeast of the proposed barn. The nearest county ditch (JD 36 R&B/Sleepy Eye Creek) is 1,400 feet east of the proposed barn.

The closest third-party dwellings to the site are as follows: (1) 39897 180th St., about 2,683 feet east of the site; (2) 18270 Omega Ave., about 2,694 feet northwest of the site; and (3) 17524 Omega Ave., about 3,100 feet southwest of the site.

The University of Minnesota OFFSET odor ratings for the neighboring dwellings are as follows:

1. 39897 180th St.: 97% Annoyance-free
2. 18270 Omega Ave.: 97% Annoyance-free
3. 17524 Omega Ave.: 97% Annoyance-free

Copies of the Conditional Use Permit application, maps, plans, and proposed permit conditions are enclosed.