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Department: Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department	( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ) 4/5 Vote Required
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Contact: Nathan Quarles	Phone: (707) 565-3507	Board Date: July 21, 2009	Deadline for Board Action:
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**AGENDA SHORT TITLE:**

Ordinance No. 3836R Permit and Permit Extensions.

**REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:**

Resolution issuing an Ordinance No. 3836R permit and necessary permit extensions to Bed Rock Inc., to perform gravel mining operations including installation of a summer crossing to access mining sites, process gravel at a plant adjacent to the river, maintain a diversion pump, and divert water from the Gualala River. A 4/5ths vote is required.

<b>CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT</b>			
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>		<u>ADD'L FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL</u>	
<b>Estimated Cost</b>	\$	<b>Contingencies</b>	\$
		(Fund Name:      )	
<b>Amount Budgeted</b>	\$	<b>Unanticipated Revenue</b>	\$
		(Source:      )	
<b>Other Avail Approp</b>	\$	<b>Other Transfer(s)</b>	\$
(Explain below)		(Source:      )	
<b>Additional Requested:</b>	\$	<b>Add'l Funds Requested:</b>	\$

**Explanation (if required):**

**Prior Board Action(s):**

Resolutions for permits and permit extensions have been issued to the Bed Rock, Inc. in the past, including 2005.

**Alternatives - Results of Non-Approval:**

The applicant would be in noncompliance with ordinance requirements related to the gravel mining operations.

**On File With Clerk:** Application

**Background:**

Section VIII of Ordinance No. 3836R requires that an application for a permit be filed with the Board of Supervisors prior to the performance of certain prescribed work or operations in a river, stream or channel which may decrease the clarity of these waterways.

Concurrent Resolution No. 88-1220 of the Board of Supervisors requires that applications for permits describe the work or operations to be done, the purpose of the work or operations, the manner in which the work or operations will be carried out, and the time within which the work or operations will be completed. Pursuant to the Resolution, applications must be accompanied by a copy of the agreement required by Section 1603 et seq. of the California Fish and Game Code and water discharge permits applicable to the work or operations, if any, pursuant to the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Applications by public agencies must also be accompanied by evidence of compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. Applications by other than public agency applicants must be accompanied by evidence that the proposed work or operations have been submitted for review to the Permit and Resource Management Department - Project Review Section pursuant to Article III of Chapter 23A of the Sonoma County Code.

The application submitted by Bed Rock, Inc. complies with the requirements of the 3836R Ordinance. Gravel mining operations shall be consistent with the In-stream Mining Operations Reclamation Plan. The mining standards conform to those of the Sonoma County Aggregate Resources Management Plan and the Sonoma County Surface Mining Ordinance. Proposed work includes gravel mining in the Gualala River, including the South Fork and the Wheatfield Fork. The applicant proposes to install summer crossings to access mining sites, process gravel at a plant adjacent to the river, maintain a diversion pump and divert water from the river to operate the gravel plant. The applicant has applied for a new County Use Permit, which issuance is contingent upon receiving relevant conditions from the federal agency, Army Corps of Engineers. Until such time as these conditions are received and incorporated into the new use permit, the applicant will operate under their existing use permit. The applicant represents that no significant residual impacts affecting water clarity of the Gualala River will result.

The applicant proposes to install the bridges and perform use-permit-related work upon approval of the 3836R Permit this summer, with work estimated to start July 21, 2009 and removal to be completed by October 31, 2009.

**Attachments:**

- Resolution
- A. First page of permit application
- B. Location Map

**On File With Clerk:** Application

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**Board Action (If other than "Requested")**

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**Vote:**

**Background:** Continued

To accomplish this, the permit may be extended for additional 30-day periods if such permit period extensions are approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Director of PRMD shall confirm the need for each permit extension immediately prior to the expiration of the current permit period to ensure that the work is not yet completed and an additional 30-day period extension is necessary. Three 30-day permit extensions may be required.

The 3836R permit and 30-day extensions require a 4/5 approval vote by the Board according to the requirements of the 1988 ballot measure creating the 3836R Ordinance.

**Recommendations:**

PRMD recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the requested permit and necessary permit extensions.

Background information is on file at:

County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors Office  
575 Administration Drive, Room 100A  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

It can be viewed and/or copies requested during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call (707) 565-2241 for more information.