

Lone Star makes truce with county

ZAYANTE — A truce has been called between county officials and Lone Star Industries, the operators of a sand quarry off East Zayante Road.

How long the truce lasts remains to be seen.

Lone Star officials have agreed to delay work on a site at the quarry reputed to be a habitat for rare plants.

Company representatives met with county representatives last week to work out an agreement.

The county cited Lone Star earlier this month for allegedly violating a county ordinance designed to protect rare plants. The plants grew at two quarry sites on six acres that were mined for sand by the company.

County Senior Planner Susan Williamson said, "We're waiting to see what happens, but we will take further action with the district attorney."

In the meantime, said Williamson, county staff and a biologist who worked on the Lone Star environmental impact report will visit the quarry Wednesday.

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