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# PCA Expansion Plan Gains County Okay

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Pacific Cement and Aggregates reviewed the go-ahead Friday from the county for a five-year, \$25 million expansion program of its Davenport cement plant and Bonny Doon quarry.

The county board of zoning adjustment unanimously approved the expansion plans, and added controls to see that dust from the plant operation will be almost eliminated by the time construction is complete in 1973.

Bonny Doon residents, who had complained about the new enlargement, were assured by PCA that the present permit will be sufficient for "at least" the next 25 years, and PCA will not ask for further expansion in that time.

The new permit comes three years after PCA was first granted a permit to mine the Bonny Doon quarry near the city's Liddell spring.

PCA attorney Ray Scott said the permit is necessary because the local firm "has been taken over by Lone Star Cement company and capital is now available to do the kind of modernization that should be done."

"We hope to grow along with this plant," Francis Gregory of Davenport told the BZA. "But the operation has to be dust-free. We've been waiting for this for 25 years."

While the Rural Bonny Doon association opposed the quarry expansion and the subsequent relocation of Bonny Doon road to permit it, other Bonny Doon residents spoke in favor of the operation. Mrs. Sally Johanson said she lives close to the quarry on one side and said she would be glad if it "was on three sides of us," because it meant jobs and development for the entire area.

Several strict conditions went along with the permit, though PCA officials won almost all the points they said were necessary to permit the expansion.

The major new change was a \$6 million, six-mile long conveyor belt that will carry limestone from Bonny Doon

to Davenport. The county demanded the right to approve the final landscaping and appearance of the conveyor.

However, the company won an extension of time on requirements that it meet dust control standards similar to those of the Bay Area Air Pollution Control district. County Planning Director Bert Muhly had asked that the present dust collectors meet the standards by June, and that the entire plant be operating dust-free by January 1, 1970.

Company officials objected this was next to impossible, and said they need until 1972 to complete the plant, plus another year to "shake down" the bugs in the operation. The BZA agreed to the com-

pany's figures.

Mrs. Hermia Kaplan, attorney for the Rural Bonny Doon group, and Page Smith both objected strongly to county and PCA plans to realign the Bonny Doon road by the quarry. Smith commented that the county's design might be safer and straighter, but would not be as "aesthetically pleasing" as the old road.

The BZA said, however, that straightening the road was not part of the permit, but was up to PCA and the public works department. In order to mine more of the quarry, PCA must pay part of the cost of realigning the road.

PCA also said it would landscape its present Davenport plant.

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