

## Rincon Materials' Proposed Sand and Gravel Operation: What You Need to Know

Earlier this year, Rincon Partners, LLC acquired 107 acres along the Union Pacific Railroad north of Interstate 70 in the Dotsero area and has submitted new plans to Eagle County to develop a sand and gravel operation to be known as Rincon Materials. Rincon has been conducting community outreach and meeting with County staff to receive feedback and address concerns expressed to the previous owner.

Rincon principal, Michael Young, a nearly 30-year Eagle County resident, said it is a priority for him and the proposed operation to be environmentally and visually sensitive, as well as compatible with neighbors and Colorado River users during the 10 to 12-year life span of mining activity and through a new industry standard of ongoing reclamation efforts.

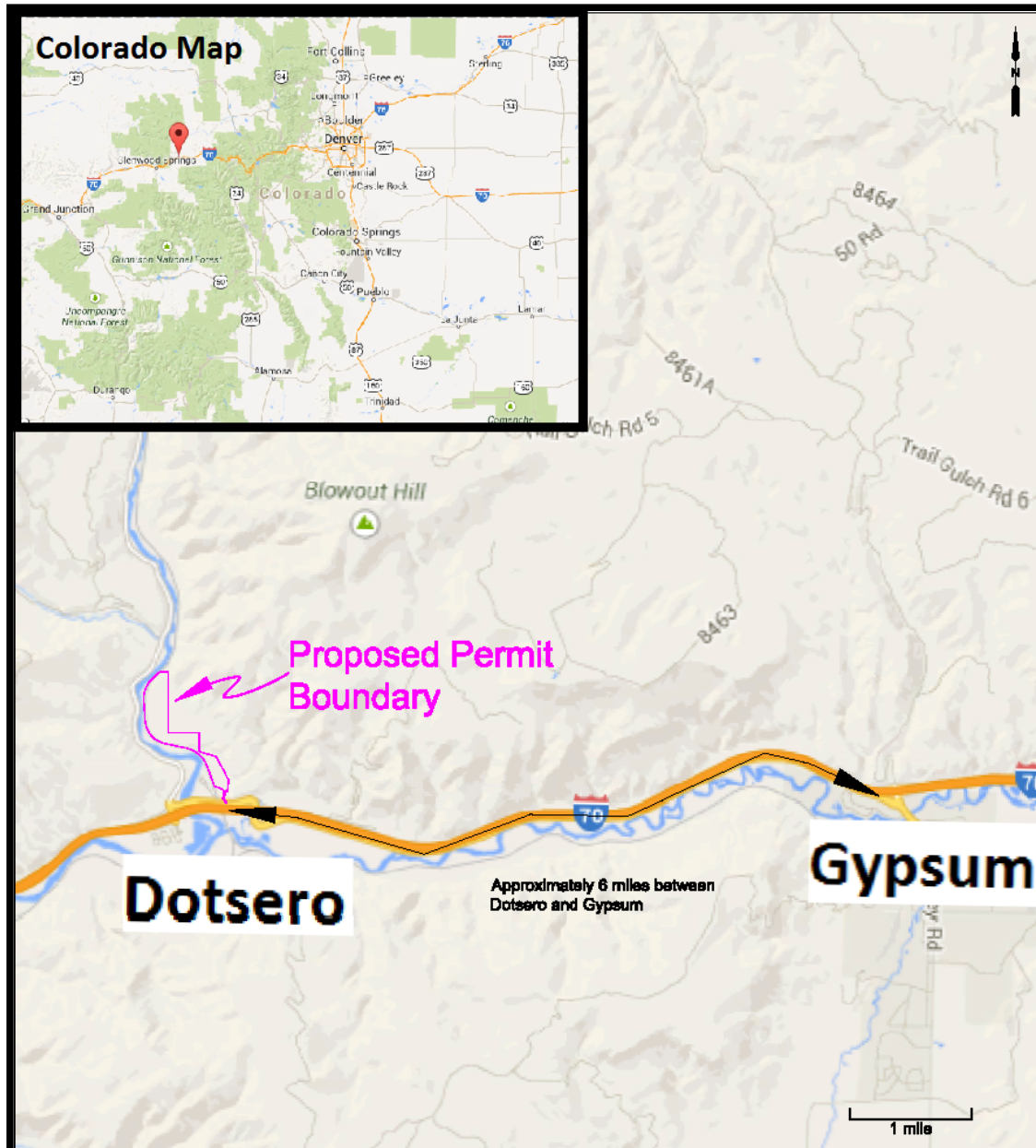
**To mitigate potential impacts of the excavation site, of the 107 acres, excavation will take place on 40 percent of the property only. This leaves about 40 acres of Rincon property with no disturbance. Further, no more than 5 to 10 acres of mining ground will ever be disturbed at any one time: roughly nine acres of facilities area will be open and operating throughout the mine life. A new mining area will only be opened as reclamation is completed on finished mining areas.**

Other important project components, reflecting numerous plan changes, include:

- Rincon Materials **WILL NOT** have an asphalt or concrete plant as part of its operation.
- An electric conveyor belt system will be used to bring material from the mining pits to the facilities area, eliminating significant visible truck traffic from the upper portions of the site. The conveyor is three feet tall and around four feet wide and will be kept hidden by berms, vegetation, or an enclosure.
- No new mining pits will be opened between Memorial Day and Labor Day. During the summer, only the already opened 5 to 10 acre mining area will be active.
- Berms will be developed along the river side of the operation 10 to 20 feet to hide mining activity from the river and neighbors.
- All traffic will access US 6 directly; **none** will traverse the Colorado River Road. Almost all of the traffic will head east.
- All mining activity will take place within pits hidden behind natural and built berms before reclamation to irrigated and rangeland fields.
- Hours of operation will be during the day time, Monday - Saturday, with no operations on Sunday or major holidays (Labor Day, July 4th, etc.)
- Irrigation during operations will maintain beneficial senior rights off of the Colorado River.

- Operations are separated from the river corridor by railroad tracks that see 8 to 10 trains a day.
- With an electric conveyor, most noise in the area will be from I-70 only.

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Within the 107-acre permit boundary, excavation of sand and gravel will take place on 40 percent of the property only. This leaves about 40 acres of Rincon property with no disturbance.