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Selectboard,

Thanks for your continued commitment to drafting this ordinance. A viable, enforceable mining ordinance will help insure Alna's health, environment and quality of life. I believe a few further refinements to the Draft are in order.

- 1. Existing mining operations, that qualify as such under the draft ordinance should be on a five year permit renewal schedule. In five years, all mining operations in Town would be operating under permit.**

- 2. A total maximum size of a mining operation needs to be established. Just "working pit size" is not a good metric.**

- 3. Standards for noise, dirt, dust, covered load impact to Town roads and spill containment - need to be incorporated in the ordinance.**

- 4. Mining operations would only be allowed from 7am-5pm Monday through Friday.**

Your consideration of my comments are appreciated.

Bill Wood