

27<sup>th</sup> November 2020

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Att: Department of Environment and Science  
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CC: Honourable Mark Boothman MP  
Member of Parliament for Theodore  
[theodore@parliament.qld.gov.au](mailto:theodore@parliament.qld.gov.au)

Dear Gold Coast Council and Department of Environment and Science,

Objection submission COM/2019/81 - Nucrush Quarry Non-compliant Operating Hours

It is widely acknowledged that the Nucrush plant (Crushing and Screening and Extractive industry) is operating outside its agreed hours of: 7:00am - 6:00pm (See Attachment A).

It is also contra to the Gold Coast City Rules for operating hours for Extractive Industry (Code 9.3.8, Part B, Acceptable Outcome 6.1) which is also 7:00am - 6:00pm (Attachment B).

As there is confusion who monitors aspects such as this I have raised this complaint with both the Gold Council and DES. My understanding is the 'Monitoring Authority' i.e. the DES is responsible for the extractive industry aspect of the operation; whilst the Gold Coast Council are responsible for the remainder i.e. Crushing and Screening, operating hours etc. Is my understanding correct?

'Attachment C' shows trucks operating this morning around our local area well before the permissible operating hours.

'Attachment D' shows the aftermath of an unfortunate incident, apparently caused by the recklessness of a Nucrush Truck ruthlessly speeding through our local neighbourhood on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 4:50am

Please ensure the plant operates as per its agreement with the council as outlined in Attachment A.

Also, as this non-compliance is an important matter in discerning if the Nucrush operation is suitable for the proposed 100 plus year extension and expansion (Development Application COM/2019/81) I would also like this recorded as an objection to this development application.

Thank you in anticipation,

Kind regards

Tony Potter

\* Disclaimer. Please note my findings are believed correct and are to the best of my ability. However, there may be errors and assumptions I have made that are incorrect. I do not believe this to be the case, but, realise with the vast amount of submitted data from the applicant, errors and assumptions on my part may occur. Hopefully this is not the case, but please accept my apologies if this is so. Thank you.

## Attachment A - Operating Hours

### 3.2 Hours of Operation

Operational hours will not change. Operating hours are indicated in the table below.

**Table 5 – Hours of operation**

Day	Hours
Monday – Friday (for processing, extraction and sales)	7:00am – 6:00pm
Saturday and Public Holidays (sales & maintenance)	8:00am – 12:00pm

No changes are proposed from current operational hours.

## Attachment B - Gold Coast City Plan Operating Hours

### City Plan

#### 9.3.8 Extractive industry code

##### PART B - ASSESSABLE DEVELOPMENT BENCHMARKS

**Table 9.3.8-1: Extractive industry development code – for assessable development**

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes						
<b>Hours of operation</b>							
<b>PO6</b> Activities undertaken on site are conducted within appropriate hours to minimise nuisance to adjoining and surrounding development.	<b>AO6.1</b> Extracting, crushing and screening operations, loading of materials and maintenance occur only within the following hours: <table><tr><td>Monday to Friday</td><td>7.00am – 6.00pm</td></tr><tr><td>Saturday</td><td>8.00am – 12 noon</td></tr><tr><td>Sunday and public holidays</td><td>nil</td></tr></table> <b>AO6.2</b> Blasting and explosions are conducted between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday excluding public holidays.	Monday to Friday	7.00am – 6.00pm	Saturday	8.00am – 12 noon	Sunday and public holidays	nil
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Attachment C - Nucrush trucks operating in our local area well outside the 7am-6pm operating hours

(Images taken 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020)



Attachment D - Aftermath of a Nucrush truck allegedly speeding through our local area at 4:50am

(Images taken 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020)

