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Duarte's Actions Require Vulcan To Postpone Access
Refusal to sign standard liability agreement necessitates withdrawal from Wilderness Event

April 14, 2010 (AZUSA, CA) – Today Vulcan Materials was compelled to notify Duarte City Manager Darrell George that due to his refusal to provide Vulcan Materials with a standard insurance and indemnity agreement, the company is unable to provide access to the Azusa Rock mining facility on April 17. This comes amidst hearings related to Vulcan's application for a revised Conditional Use Permit and Reclamation Plan for the Azusa Rock site.

"Due to the heightened attention our application has received, at our request, meetings were held with city and law enforcement officials over the past three weeks. Our decision to postpone access is based solely on the City of Duarte's refusal to submit a standard insurance and legal liability agreement," said Vulcan Spokesperson Todd Priest. "After all of the public safety issues that have been discussed related to the event, it is unfortunate that Duarte has now refused to sign the liability agreement. They have also rejected an alternative option whereby Vulcan would provide all the transportation services related to the event, at no charge, negating the need for the city to sign a liability agreement."

Vulcan Materials has partnered with the City of Duarte on their Family Wilderness Day for over 20 years. Recognizing that access to Fish Canyon Falls is a priority for the community, Vulcan Materials provides access through its mining site throughout the year and upon request, weather permitting. Access to the Fish Canyon Falls is continuously available via property easement owned and managed by the City of Duarte.

As recently as last Saturday, Vulcan welcomed nearly 400 visitors to access the Falls through its site, which is located in the City of Azusa. Visitors were transported through the mining facility using shuttles contracted by Vulcan Materials, the same arrangement that was offered to the City of Duarte.

"Duarte's unwillingness to address the most basic of agreements related to entering our mining facility was not anticipated," said Todd Priest. "We look forward to again participating in Duarte's Family Wilderness Day when the city's actions related to their desire to access our property are no longer politically motivated."

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