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**Vulcan Materials Company Submits Appeal to the State Mining and Geology Board**  
*City of Azusa's Refusal to Grant Revised Conditional Use Permit Compels Request*

**June 1, 2010 (AZUSA, CA)** – Today Vulcan Materials Company submitted an appeal of the City of Azusa's decision to deny a revised conditional use permit for Azusa Rock. The appeal requests that the California State Mining and Geology Board take jurisdiction of the issue, which could result in the Azusa City Council's reconsideration of its initial denial.

The Azusa City Council voted to approve the Environmental Impact Report, which is the legal and technical foundation for the project, on May 18, 2010, certifying that any environmental impacts were sufficiently mitigated or addressed. Without obtaining approval of the conditional use permit, however, the permit applicant is unable to move forward with environmental enhancements that would have been mandated in the revised permit.

"This appeal is intended to preserve the company's rights as we continue to evaluate all options moving forward. We remain committed to working closely with the City of Azusa as we consider all options, in light of the Council's approval of the EIR and its denial of the Conditional Use Permit, based on the EIR," stated Todd Priest, Vulcan Materials spokesperson.

The 270 acre Azusa Rock site is located within the City of Azusa. The proposed plan exchanges 80 acres of mining rights on the east side of the property for 80 acres of mining rights on the west side. Significantly enhancing the appearance of Azusa Rock, the proposed reclamation plan would require Vulcan Materials to replace the existing large benches with 12 to 24 inch benches that blend closely with the natural landscape. The smaller benches would be contoured into the hillside, creating natural drainages and allowing re-vegetation of existing and future mined areas to be consistent with the surrounding hillsides. Under the proposed plan, no additional acres would be mined at Azusa Rock.

Azusa Rock produces aggregate materials that are used to construct highways, homes, hospitals, and other important infrastructure projects essential to our region's quality of life.

**About Vulcan Materials Company**

Vulcan Materials Company, a member of the S&P 500 index, is the nation's foremost producer of construction aggregates and a major producer of other construction materials. The company's Western Division, which was formed when Vulcan acquired CalMat Co. in 1999, has more than 70 facilities in Arizona, California and New Mexico and approximately 1,800 employees. For additional information about Vulcan Materials Company, see [www.vulcanmaterials.com](http://www.vulcanmaterials.com).