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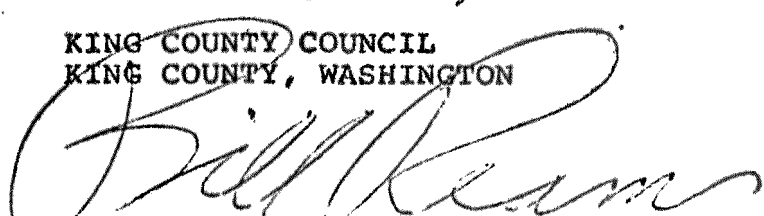
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3 THE KING COUNTY COUNCIL by this motion, accepts the Interim  
4 Subcommittee Report of the Environmental Development Commission's  
5 Subcommittee on Extractive Industries dated June 8, 1970, a copy  
6 of which is attached to and hereby made a part of this Motion.

7 It is the council's intention that until such time as the  
8 Comprehensive Plan of King County is revised regarding this subject,  
9 the "Interim Statement of Policy on Mineral Resources" which is a  
10 part of the subject report shall constitute official county policy.

11 PASSED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1970.

12 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
13 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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15 Chairman of the Council

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17 ATTEST:

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ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
Land Use Committee  
Joint Subcommittee on Extractive Industries

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June 8, 1970

To: Prof. Norman Johnston, Chairman  
Land Use Committee  
From: Tora McCredy Baker, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Extractive Industries  
Re: INTERIM SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

The following observations and recommendations, and attached "PROPOSED INTERIM STATEMENT OF POLICY ON MINERAL RESOURCES, modifying the King County Comprehensive Plan" are the product of the Subcommittee's work to date. Highly qualified resource personnel from both the public and private sectors have taken active part in our discussions.

The Subcommittee offers this interim report in order to meet the sixty-day deadline set by the King County Council. The members of the subcommittee wish to continue their examination of factors governing and affected by the extractive industries, and excavations and fills generally. Progress reports will be submitted at each meeting of the Land Use Committee.

1. Even the preliminary examination conducted to date has confirmed the need for a complete inventory of sand, gravel, and other surface-mined mineral resources in the County, and for more precise projections of consumption of these materials. Logic suggests such an inventory should cover a geographic area larger than King County... perhaps King, Snohomish, Pierce and Kitsap Counties. (The problem demonstrates the need for an inventory of all natural resources in the area.)

The Subcommittee recognizes there are many problems complicating definitive data collection... diverse ownerships, competitive interests, etc., but feel the need justifies the effort required.

2. After consideration based on the proposed INTERIM STATEMENT OF POLICY ON MINERAL RESOURCES, known and usable deposits of these limited, nonrenewable mineral resources should be so identified and classified. Adoption of such a program might, incidentally, generate support for the resource inventory.
3. It was the conclusion of the Subcommittee that we could not - on the basis of information presently available - recommend standards by which to judge the prudence of granting Q-M zones or permits for extractive use of land; even supply and demand data are inadequate. The multiple natural and social characteristics of each site must be considered and the decisions based on the balance of factors involved.
4. The subcommittee is compiling a "catalog" of sources of information on the subject.
5. Consideration should be given toward consolidation of inspection and enforcement procedures by all units of government affecting extractive industries.

This report represents a balance of the knowledge and judgment of participants in the project. The members of the Subcommittee urge the adoption of the proposed INTERIM STATEMENT OF POLICY ON MINERAL RESOURCES.

cc: Lawrence Hall, Chairman  
Conservation Committee

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Proposed INTERIM STATEMENT OF POLICY ON MINERAL RESOURCES  
Modifying King County Comprehensive Plan

1. Reasonable efforts should be made to evaluate and utilize or reserve the mineral resources of King County. Controls should be exercised to avoid developments that would make extraction of mineral resources impossible or undesirable.
2. ...recognize the irreplaceable nature of mineral resources; their value to the public, as consumers; the desire of land owners to utilize mineral deposits; and economic contribution of the extractive industries.
3. ...however, ...also recognize that the natural characteristics of the sites of some mineral deposits preclude the extraction of the resource; that all natural resources must be protected to the best of our ability; and that prior developments in the vicinity directly geographically related to mineral deposits may also preclude their extraction.
4. Consideration shall be given to the effects of any change of land use, including mining while in process and when completed, upon:
  - a. Atmosphere
  - b. Surface water and subsurface water
  - c. Plant and animal life
  - d. Surface material and/or resources (topsoil, gravel, sand, rock, clay, peat, etc.)
  - e. Subsurface material and/or resources (coal, metals, minerals, oil, etc.)
  - f. Aesthetics
5. Mineral extraction operating procedures shall be reviewed periodically to enable operators and the public to benefit from experience and improved technology.
6. Plans for rehabilitation of mineral extraction sites should be compatible with surrounding land uses and developed as part of proposals for such extractive mining operations.

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