

OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Informational Hearing
Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation

Notice is hereby given that **DRT Sands, Inc.** has filed an application for a Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Permit to meet the requirements of the Chippewa County Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Ordinance.

Location: **NE ¼ of NW ¼, NW ¼ of NW ¼, SW ¼ of NW ¼, and SE ¼ of NW ¼, of Section 28, T31N-R10W**

Owned by: **Lori Clark, et al.**

Location: **NE ¼ of NE ¼ and NW ¼ of NE ¼ of Section 28, T31N-R10W**

Owned by: **Tony Rihn**

Location: **NW ¼ of NE ¼ of Section 27, T31N-R10W**

Owned by: **Rosella Rihn**

The applicant proposes to: **extract and process sand and sandstone, and to establish the post-mining land uses of Conservation Land/Wildlife Habitat managed as native prairie and woodlands, and Working Land managed as agricultural pasture.**

The proposed processing plant and wash ponds will be removed upon final reclamation of the mine. The proposed mine site covers approximately 245 acres and will be sequentially mined and reclaimed in progressive stages.

A hearing on the permit application and reclamation plan will be held on Tuesday evening, March 31, 2015, in Room 3 at the Chippewa County Courthouse. A public informational hearing, pursuant to NR 135.20(2), will commence at 7:00 p.m.

The public informational hearing will be conducted for the purpose of explaining and receiving comments from affected persons on the nature, feasibility, and effects of the proposed reclamation.

Pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code NR135.20(3)(c), the subject matter and testimony at this public informational hearing shall be limited to the reclamation of the nonmetallic mine site. To meet this requirement, public testimony that extends beyond the scope of the NR135.20 hearing (including matters related to traffic, setbacks, blasting, hours of operation, noise or dust control, or the question of whether to use the land for mining) will be curtailed.

Copies of the application and reclamation plan are available for review at the Chippewa County Department of Land Conservation & Forest Management, 711 N. Bridge Street, Room 011, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 during regular business hours. The plan can also be viewed and downloaded at no cost from the Department's website at: <http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/lcfm>
Paper and digital copies are available upon request at duplication cost.

The public may contact the Department of Land Conservation & Forest Management at (715) 720-3644 with questions regarding the application and reclamation plan or if you wish to make an appointment to review documents for the proposed mine.

David Nashold, Environmental Engineer, Chippewa County

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