

IV. SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS THAT CANNOT BE AVOIDED

A. Short Term Construction Impacts

The proposed development will have certain long term and short-term impacts, as would any development on the site. All significant adverse impacts resulting from construction of the proposed development will be mitigated to the maximum extent practicable.

During construction of the project, noise levels may increase in the short-term. Many of the variables regarding construction equipment and phasing have not been identified at this point, but it can be anticipated that the types of equipment used on the site will include bulldozers, compressors, front-end loaders, dump trucks and pavers. In order to mitigate potential temporary noise impacts from construction equipment, all equipment used on-site will have to be inspected periodically to ensure that properly functioning muffler systems are used; while on the site, equipment should not idle unnecessarily; and construction activities should be limited to normal daytime hours.

Similarly, short-term, temporary air quality impacts associated with construction activities may include fugitive dust, exhaust and emissions from construction vehicles and equipment and increased traffic on local roadways. These impacts are temporary and can be mitigated by using best management construction practices such as wetting the ground, covering stored materials with a tarp to reduce windborne dust, and proper maintenance of equipment. No significant adverse impacts to air quality are anticipated due to construction activities.

Potential for erosion and sedimentation will be controlled to the maximum extent practicable by implementation of all proposed measures on the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan developed for the project.

Truck traffic to the site will temporarily increase during the construction phase as well, although noise increases due to truck traffic are not anticipated to be significant.

B. Long-Term Impacts

Long-term adverse impacts, although not considered to be significant in SEQRA terms, will include the following:

- An increase in the Town population by 51 new residents could result in minor and incremental impacts on community services such as police and fire protection services, and school facilities from the projected increase in enrollment of approximately nine students.
- Full build-out of the site will result in an increase of entering and exiting vehicles on weekdays. Like other impacts, additional traffic is not anticipated to have a significant adverse impact on the area road system.