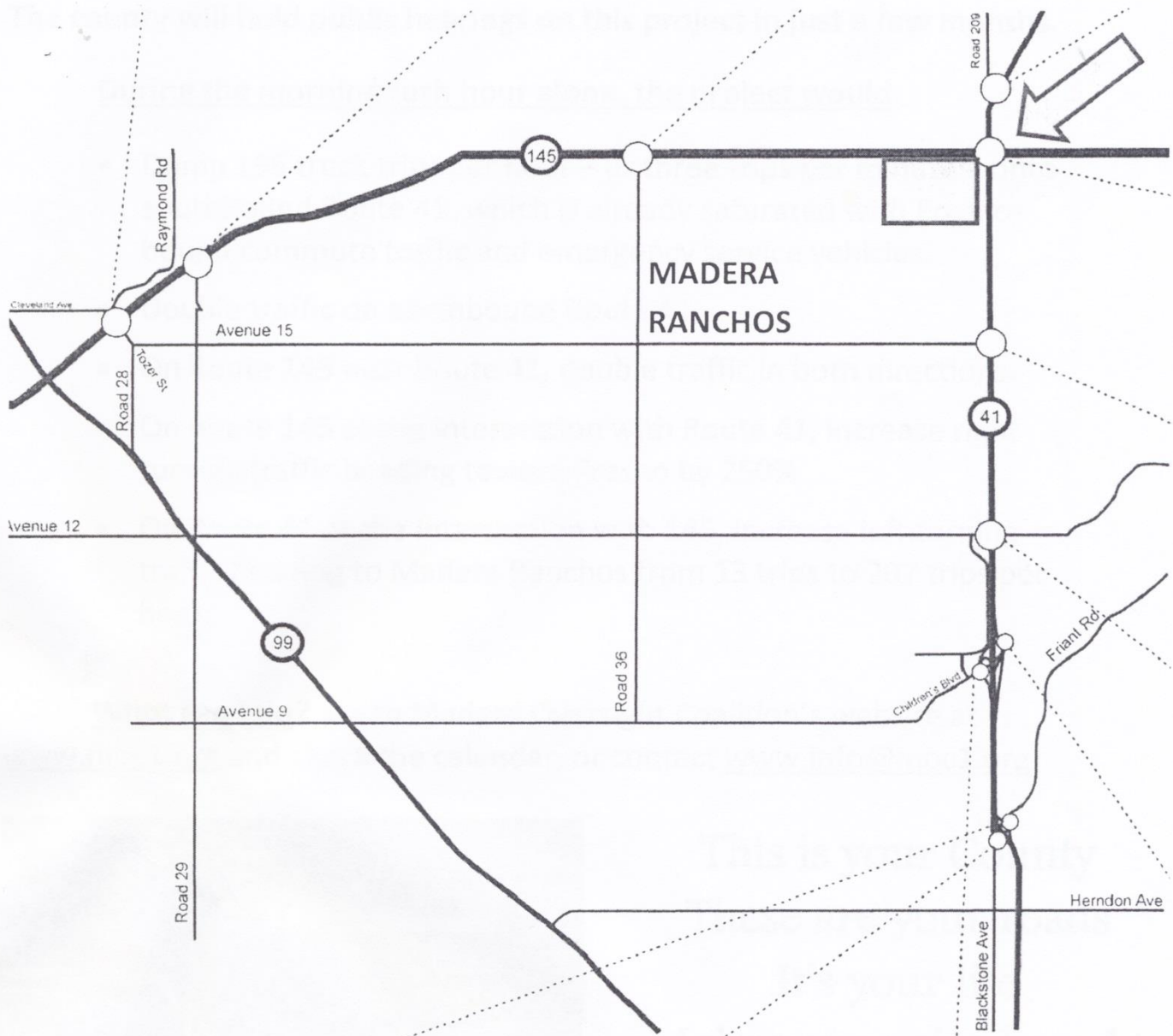


Do we need a project that adds 1742 new daily trucks to Routes 41 and 145, and doubles traffic at rush hour?



That's Vulcan's "Austin Quarry"

Vulcan Materials, the nation's largest aggregate producer, is proposing to open Madera County's largest quarry ever, right near the intersection of Route 145 and Route 41. If approved, the project would add up to 1742 new daily trucks to the already-overburdened 2-lane road system.

The county will hold public hearings on this project in just a few months.

During the morning rush hour alone, the project would:

- Dump 196 truck trips per hour – or three trips per minute – onto southbound Route 41, which is already saturated with Fresno-bound commute traffic and emergency service vehicles.
- Double traffic on northbound Route 41.
- On Route 145 near Route 41, double traffic in both directions.
- On Route 145 at the intersection with Route 41, increase right turning traffic heading toward Fresno by 250%.
- On Route 41 at the intersection with 145, increase left turning traffic heading to Madera Ranchos from 13 trips to 207 trips per hour.

What can I do? Go to Madera Oversight Coalition's website at www.moc1.org and check the calendar, or contact www.info@moc1.org



This is your County
These are your roads
It's your life
Make your voice heard !

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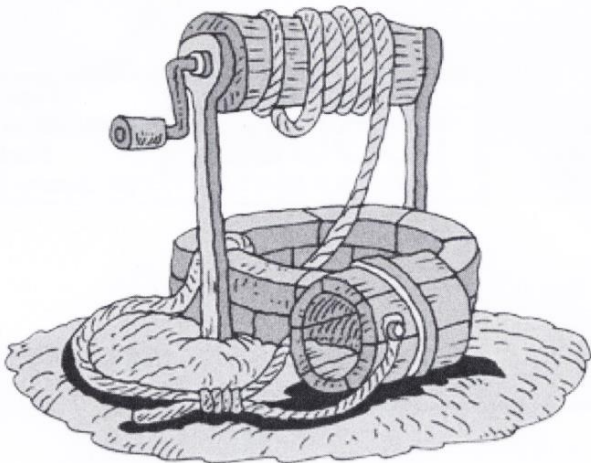
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What's the Problem? Water levels in the Madera Groundwater Basin are already dropping. Now, Vulcan wants to carve a new 258-acre, 400-foot deep hole at the edge of the basin, less than 3 miles from Madera Ranchos. The result: Water gushing in from all sides, filling the quarry pit and substantially drawing down groundwater wells as much as 4 miles away. In the Ranchos, groundwater now at 10 feet below the surface could drop down as low as 50-100 feet.

Translation: Reduced well yields. Increased power costs. Corrosion and damage. And where the water table drops low enough, a well that pumps nothing but air.

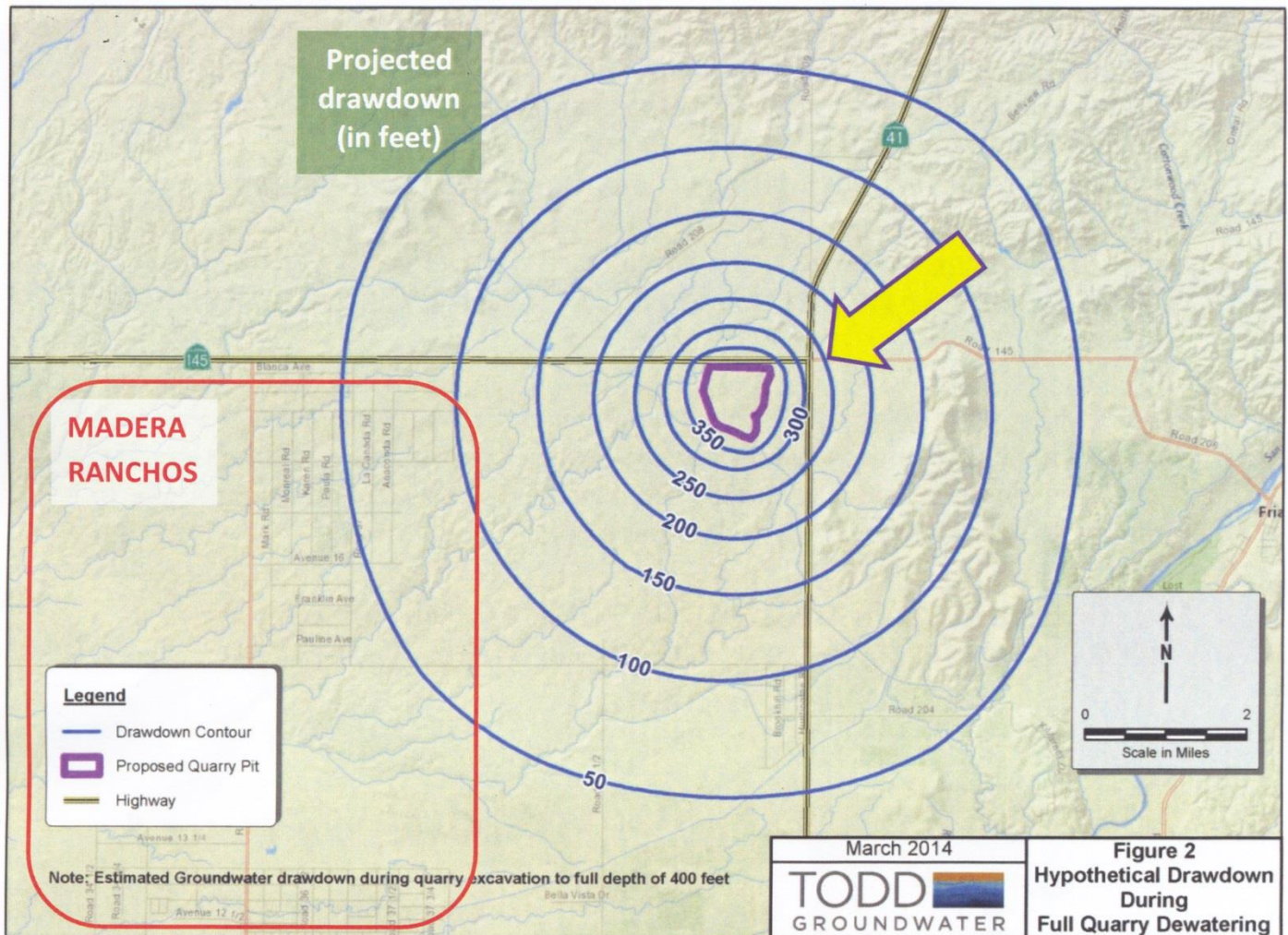
What does Vulcan say? They claim their enormous quarry pit will draw in only about 100 acre feet of water per year, which is less than a single well already operating on their property. But it's bad science. Vulcan's own data points to a number 40 times as large: 4,000 acre feet per year.

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Do we need a new 400-foot deep, 258-acre well that competes with our groundwater wells?



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