

August 30, 2022

Bobbette Hoevker
ADA Aggregates
13146 County Road 1590
Ada OK 74820

Re: Response Sheet Review
Sign File No.: 30113-06
SH-1, Pontotoc County "Rock Quarry"
GPS: 34.718391, -96.721929

Dear Ms. Hoevker:

In receipt of your response letter concerning the above-referenced advertisement claiming it is legal due to you having receiving permission for it to be in place, we must unfortunately advise you that you were informed incorrectly. This structure is illegal according to state and federal regulations regarding outdoor advertising control. Could you provide me with the documentation you received that granted the right for the structure to be at that site?

You stated that there are safety concerns at this site. Therefore, I have copied Ron Brown; ODOT District 3 Engineer on this letter. He could arrange a traffic study at this site and perhaps have signage installed that could warn the traveling public of a hazard in this area, if it is determined as such.

At this time, we must inform you that the original illegal determination is being upheld and the ninety-day time frame in which to remove the sign is still in effect which will expire November 19th, 2022.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter, we would be more than happy to speak with you. Our telephone number is (405)521-3005.

Respectfully,



Barbara Hoppes
Transportation Manager
Outdoor Advertising Control Branch

Enclosures

cc David & Karen Wilkins cc: Ron Brown; District 3 Engineer ODOT
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Ada OK 74820 RBrown@odot.org



August 19, 2022

Oklahoma Department of Transportation
200 NE 21st Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

RE: Notice – Sign File#: 30113-06 / SH-1 Pontotoc

To Barbara Hoppes:

I am writing in response to the letter I received, dated August 10, 2022. It states that our sign is unregistered and illegal. I have enclosed the completed form that was sent with the letter. I disagree with the findings of the letter. My explanation is below.

We originally put the sign in place when we opened the new rock quarry on Hwy 1 in early 2021. We called ODOT to inquire about registration. The gentleman we talked to said that he was going to waive the process due to the danger posed by trucks pulling on and off of the highway at that particular location and that we could revisit the situation at a later time. At that time, he deemed the sign was necessary for safety reasons. That portion of the highway has limited visibility because of the road curvature as well as some trees between the railroad and highway. On a daily basis, there can be up to 180 trucks coming in and out of the quarry. If a truck travelling South on Hwy 1 misses our turn off, there is no safe place to turn around for miles.

We did follow the proper procedures in contacting and discussing the situation with ODOT at the time the sign was put in place. We did not try to circumvent the process. We do feel like removing the sign will cause even more accidents on an already dangerous roadway. Already this year, there have been 2 accidents within a ¼ mile of the sign. Work is currently under way to expand Hwy 1 to four lanes. It is even more imperative right now to have the sign in place to keep drivers safe and aware of where to turn off.

Please see the enclosed form and let me know how to proceed from here.

Thank you,

Bobbette Hoevker
(580) 332-5000