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Black Point Quarry Project
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Re: Letter of Concern – Black Point Quarry Project

Please accept this letter of concern regarding the Black Point Quarry development proposed for Black Point, Guysborough County, Nova Scotia. I am a Nova Scotian

), and an expert in Canada's tourism sector.

It is my understanding that an application has been submitted to CEAA for the development of a tidewater quarry operation by Morien Resources. My concern is regarding how this project may impact the opportunity for Guysborough County to develop a sustainable tourism industry.

Guysborough County has a nature based tourism resource that is world class by many standards. The County has also been the site of significant private sector investment in the tourism sector in recent years, and excellent travel media coverage in Canada and beyond. There is strong potential for Guysborough to attract future inward investment and achieve considerable tourism success with an aligned economic development strategy. I am concerned the environmental impact of the proposed quarry could detract from the success of such future strategies.

I hereby want to express my concern that your review process give full consideration to the importance of the natural environment in achieving Guysborough's future tourism success, and the misalignment of the Black Point Quarry project from an economic development perspective.

Respectfully submitted,