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From: Bennett, John F (DOT)

Sent: Monday, July 23, 2012 8:56 AM Brooks, Steven Michael (DOT)
Subject: FW: Taylor Hwy Miners Yikes!

Steve, I think you have Dennis' cad files for the Taylor highway. I'm not sure if we have draft plans or basemaps for this area around MP 85 but whatever we might have, if you can pdf a few sheets each side of MP 85 so we can get a handle on what is happening up there I would appreciate it. Thanks, JohnB

From: Bishop, Dennis R (DOT)

Sent: Friday, July 20, 2012 11:17 AM

To: Potter, Steve B (DOT); Bennett, John F (DOT)

Cc: Ohalloran, William (DOT)

Subject: RE: Taylor Hwy Miners Yikes!

Here are two pictures from yesterday. He is on the road with his equipment. Is this legal?

Dennis

From: Bishop, Dennis R (DOT)

Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2012 2:53 PM

To: Potter, Steve B (DOT); Bennett, John F (DOT)

Cc: Ohalloran, William (DOT) **Subject:** Taylor Hwy Miners Yikes!

I just got off the phone with John Burns. The miners at MP85 Taylor have expanded their operations. They have stripped all the vegetation and have continued mining along the road. John says that the road is not in danger but if anyone drives off the road it will be disastrous. He told the miner that he needs to sign and place cones along the road to warn motorists of the hazard. I had John go back and put up our cones since the mine has none. He has taken pictures and as soon as he figures out how to send them, I will pass them along. Tomorrow at the latest.

Additionally, they have taken a dozer across to the west side of the road and have done a little brushing. John thinks they may be making plans to move the road and make a detour, perhaps for next year. Yikes!

John Bennett, please advise. What are the miner's rights? What is our rights? Do they need an approved plan before making a detour?

Dennis Bishop

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