



Gravel pits and quarries have major environmental and social impacts.

Come and ask your questions about gravel and aggregates.

What happens when a pit/quarry wants to be your new neighbour? The Niagara escarpment: How much of it should we mine? Michipicoten Bay on Lake Superior's magnificent north shore: Should it be mined to pave Michigan's roads? How can Ontario shrink its huge (14 tonnes per person per year) gravel/aggregate footprint? What is the right trade-off between pits and farmland? Should wetlands be turned into pits/quarries? Are pit/quarry applications ever turned down? Who, really, makes up the rules about pits/quarries?

Gravel Watch Ontario presents an evening with ...



Beatrice Olivastri, *Chief Executive Officer of Friends of the Earth Canada*, dedicated to campaigning on the most urgent environmental and social issues of our times, discussing your environmental rights, and how to take a polluting cement plant to the Supreme Court and win. What does this Supreme Court case, involving St. Lawrence Cement, Quebec, mean to you and to controlling pits and quarries in Ontario?



Anastasia Lintner, *Staff Lawyer with Ecojustice*, formerly **Sierra Legal Defence Fund**, Canada's leading non-profit organization of lawyers and scientists devoted to protecting the environment, discussing the relevance of the St. Lawrence Cement Supreme Court case to Ontario communities attempting to minimize negative impacts of pits, quarries and cement operations. Anastasia is also an adjunct professor in the Economics department at the University of Guelph.

Date /Time: Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009. 6:45 pm claim ticket & seat, 7:00 pm meeting begins.

Meeting place: Puslinch Community Centre, Village of Aberfoyle, Wellington County Road #46 just north of Highway #401. See map below.

Gravel Watch Ontario acts in the interests of residents and communities to protect the health, safety, quality of life of Ontarians and the natural environment in matters that relate to aggregate resources. For more information see <http://www.gravelwatch.org>



Michipicoten Bay. Should we strip mine Lake Superior's magnificent north shore to pave Michigan's roads?



Pits of Puslinch near Highway 401. Is this the landscape we want to leave for our children?

Reserve your ticket. Tickets are \$10 (students free) payable at this Feb. 19, 2009 event. To reserve, please send your name, address, email and phone number to Ann Ironside, ann.ironside@sympatico.ca. Phone 519-338-2364. Also see: http://www.gravelwatch.org/whats_new.htm

Arrive early, seating is limited. Even if you have reserved a ticket, please arrive by 6:45 pm. Otherwise your seat may be assigned to another person.

Map. Puslinch Community Centre, Aberfoyle, near Highway 401, near Guelph Ontario.

