

KBDJ LP

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TEXAS QUARRY ONE OF THE FIRST IN THE STATE TO 'GO DRY' *New technology will reduce water usage by more than 80 percent*

MAY 3, 2011, AUSTIN, TX — Industrial Asphalt's KBDJ Conservation Land & Quarry (KBDJ) announced that it has installed new equipment and technology that is estimated to reduce water usage by at least 80 percent and dust emissions by up to 35 percent at its Hays County quarry off F.M. 967. KBDJ is one of the first quarries in the state to implement a dry dust suppression system, originally developed to meet more stringent European emissions standards. With the reduced need for water, KBDJ is exploring potential uses for its already-drilled wells, including the possibility of using them to monitor local groundwater quality.

"It is in the best interests of both our company and our industry to invest in technology that sustains the communities in which we operate," said Jill Shackelford, president of KBDJ, LP. "Dry dust suppression helps protect two natural resources of great value to our neighbors — fresh water and clean air — allowing our company to continue providing locally-sourced raw materials that are the building blocks for our region."

Most quarries in Texas and the United States control dust emissions by spraying crushed rock with water. The TRANSPAR dry dust suppression system, developed in France by R. Brunone, Inc., consists of a system of sealed conveyors that move rock throughout the crushing and screening circuit. Dust collectors mounted and sealed on top of the conveyors create negative pressure in the system so the dust is captured and filtered. The new equipment will meet or exceed the TCEQ's Best Available Control Technology for this industry.

"As a neighbor, and resident of Ruby Ranch, I appreciate the significant efforts KBDJ has gone to reduce the possible air quality risks associated with their operations at their Buda location," said Mary Stone.

"This technology comes with a price; we've made a significant investment here," said Shackelford, "but we believe the long-term return on investment to the community and company is well worth the cost."

In 2008, KBDJ was certified by the internationally-recognized Wildlife Habitat Council for its efforts to conserve and managed wildlife habitat on the property it leases. Also, as part of the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP), KBDJ replaced several loaders with low-emitting equipment. KBDJ frequently hosts science and environmental education activities at the site by partnering with groups such as the Hill Country Conservancy, Texas Association of Environmental Educators, TCEQ, and the Environmental Law Clinic at the University of Texas. KBDJ holds an annual drive to collect and recycle used Christmas trees.



About KBDJ, LP:

KBDJ, LP processes crushed stone for the construction of homes, roads, schools and churches. For example, KBDJ is providing road base material for State Highway 130 and has provided the materials that built the Buda Main Street project and the streets in the Ruby Ranch Subdivision. As a company, KBDJ is invested in the communities it serves, both socially and financially. KBDJ believes that industry, education and the environment are not mutually exclusive endeavors.

Recognitions and Awards:

2010 Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, Take on Traffic Award Winner

2010 Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, Environmental Award Finalist

2010 Texas Environmental Excellence Awards, Finalist

2009 Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, Environmental Award Finalist

2009 Texas Aggregates and Concrete Association Good Neighbor Award Winner

2009 Texas Aggregates and Concrete Association Public Appearance Award Winner

2008 Pit & Quarry Magazine Producer of the Year Winner

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