



Air Quality Permitting Response to Public Comments

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Permit to Construct No. P-2021.0029

Project No. 62653

**Incredible Concrete – 00629
Franklin, Idaho**

Facility ID No. 777-00629

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BACKGROUND

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) provided for public comment on the proposed permit to construct for Incredible Concrete – 00629 from November 24 through December 27, in accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209.01.c. During this period, comments were submitted in response to DEQ’s proposed action. Each applicable comment and DEQ’s response is provided in the following section.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

Public comments regarding the technical and regulatory analyses and the air quality aspects of the proposed permit are summarized below. Questions, comments, and/or suggestions received during the comment period that did not relate to the air quality aspects of the permit application, the Department’s technical analysis, or the proposed permit are not addressed. For reference purposes, a copy of the Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho can be found at: <http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/58/0101.pdf>.

Three comments (grouped below) were received which did not address any technical or regulatory aspect of the permit, but which remarked that the operation of Incredible Concrete – 00629 has negatively impacted the commenter’s enjoyment of life and which raised concerns about negative health impacts resulting from the operation. DEQ encourages any member of the public to contact the Pocatello Regional Office (208-236-6160) if these concerns persist.

Comment 1: To whom it may concern, we are requesting a public comment period, on permit (00629) incredible concrete submitted by Kyle Chatterton of Franklin Idaho, Incredible concrete is located just above our home, their address is 4294 s 4000 east Franklin Idaho. In the beginning of this operation the plant was in fair working condition, and if there was an issue, we could talk to Kyle, and he would fix the problem, but around third year of operation, when they fill the hopper, it becomes a big!! cloud of concrete powder all over everywhere, this happens twice a week, it gets on our home, horse barns and horses, cows, pasture, we have to keep everything washed, because when it's gets moisture it sets up. It has become a health issue with us, and our animals, you can even taste it. We have tried to solve this situation for years, with Kyle but he no longer will talk to anyone, Just last week hopper was leaking dust everywhere, I have pics of all that we are talking about, I've sent pics into DEQ for the last three years, so they should be on your records also, if you have any questions please feel free to contact us anytime *[personal information removed]*.

Comment 2: To Whom it may concern,

I am submitting a public comment regarding,

Kyle Chatterton, dba Incredible Concrete (00629, Franklin) Incredible Concrete business location is East of my home, on a upwardly incline, at 4294 S. 4000 E. Franklin, Idaho 83237.

First off this plant has been in operation 5+ years without any proper permits in place. This is one of the issues that makes this situation problematic for my Neighbors and I. Obviously Mr. Chatterton has been dba Incredible Concrete with disregard to the rules & regulations, that have been set in place by the State of Idaho for a business of his nature.

At first the Incredible Concrete plant was kept in order and there were no problems. Any problems we brought to Mr. Chatterton's attention would be fixed in a somewhat timely manner. For the past 3-5 years the condition of the plant has deteriorated and our phone calls are ignored or meet with rudeness. Whenever the hopper is filled with material for the trucks, the dust forms a thick whitish cloud above the Incredible Concrete site and the two houses closest to it. This

cloud of material travels down through the alfalfa field on my property that, I lease to be used for horse feed, the powder then continues traveling through the air to, my lawn, garden and my home, from there it dissipates over several different families' fields that are planted to harvest for future use.

I, myself, have been outside and I can actually taste a chalkiness in my mouth from this material.

This is a health concern, since myself, children and several Grandchildren have asthma. If we are home to notice the bulker truck is delivering materials, we immediately go inside. I continually have to rinse the powder off of my lawn and I have also, spent the garden growing seasons having to rinse my garden with water, in order to wash the white cement dust off of my vegetable plants. I have to use my private well water to do this. The concrete powder also ends up in Spring Creek, along with concrete from Incredible concrete trucks using it as a "wash out" area. Spring Creek feeds numerous farms and livestock as it flows all the way into Utah. Myself, my family and our Neighbors are not able to enjoy our land in a consistent manner.

Thank you reading my public comment before approving the application from Kyle Chatterton dba Incredible Concrete, this operation has greatly reduced our quality of life since locating his business into our neighborhood.

Any Questions? Please contact me

[Personal information removed]

Photographed evidence have been sent to Melissa Gibbs@ DEQ. We can also provide additional photography evidence.

Comment 3: We own the property north of Incredible Concrete and have several concerns. One day I went up to our property and noticed wet concrete that had run into our hay field and it had run into our holes of some of our sprinkler hookups. Hopefully they won't break due to it. Also the Hay or oats that we plant in that field we sell most of it to other people. My big concern is that dust from the cement mixture that goes on our crop can't be good for the animals. What if an animal dies due to eating our crops and they find out it was bought from us? I've noticed that the dirt that they use keeps coming into our field and then they drive into the field to scoop it up sometimes. Also another concern is I've noticed that the water run off goes down the road on the West side and the south side. On the South side and into an area and we have cattle on the south side of the fence. I'm worried that it will run into the ditch we have that's close by. That stream of water goes down through town and it waters our horses and cows and several other farmers animals. I sure hope that's not the reason we have lost several cows from drinking that water if has gone into it. If you look at the neighbors Lilac bushes they are loaded with so much dust. I personally wish they would move it on the property east of the barns in a gully they don't use then maybe the sheds would block some of the dust. They have dug a trench in the road to try and prevent the run off. I went to look at something and with trying to drive around it I ended up damaging bottom of my car. So they made it a hazard to drive on the road. I like the owners of the business but I don't feel they care about our land or our animals.

Response: In response to Comment 1, which remarked that a large cloud of dust is generated during silo filling, DEQ notes that a permit condition was included in the proposed permit that requires that a bin vent filter be used to control 99% of dust generated during loading. If operated and maintained as required by the permit, this filter will address the problem of dust generation during silo loading.