



OPPORTUNITY TO DEMAND CLEANER AIR FOR PASADENA

Say NO to Particulate Matter pollution in YOUR neighborhood!

HOUSTON CRUSHED CONCRETE LLC - ROCK AND CONCRETE CRUSHER NEW AIR PERMIT

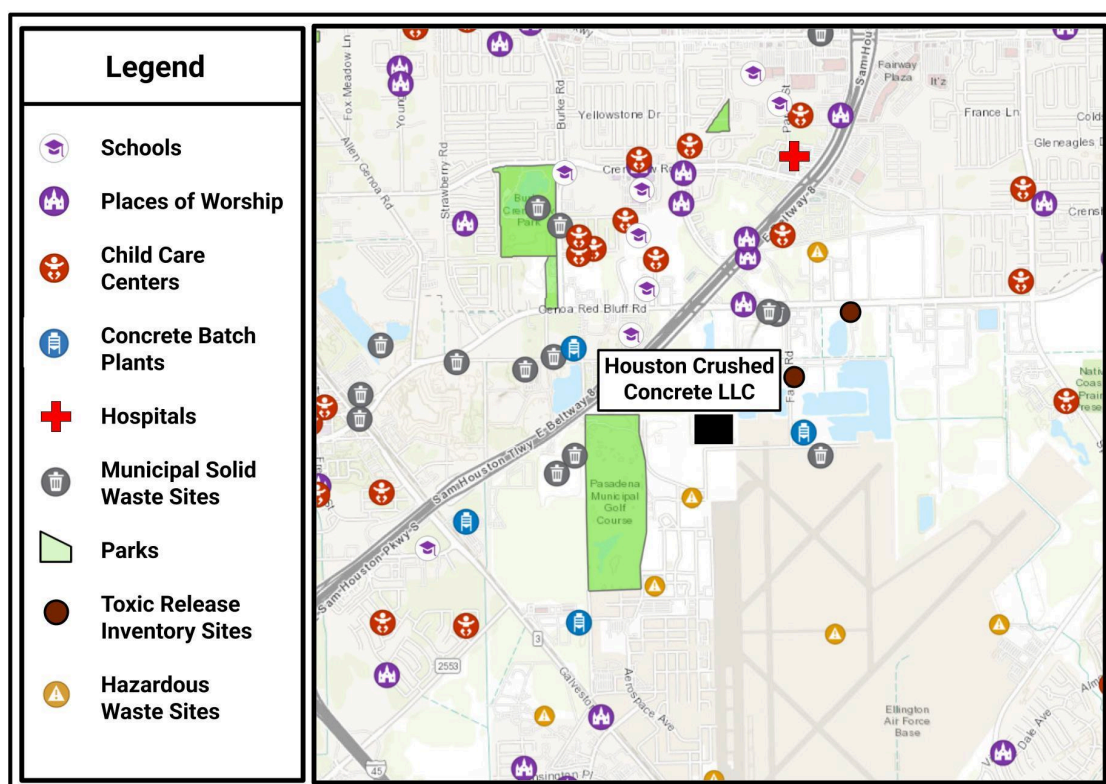
Located at (approximately): 5665 Farley Road, Houston, Texas 77034

What is being decided?

- Houston Crushed Concrete LLC has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an air quality permit for a new rock and concrete crusher at approximately 5665 Farley Road, Houston, Texas 77034 (for exact location, refer to this [link](#)). The facility would break down rock and large chunks of concrete.
- TCEQ can approve, amend, or reject the permit. The company must have an air permit to construct the facility.

What concerning pollutants are emitted by rock and concrete crushers?

- Particulate Matter 2.5 (super-fine particles of soot, dust, silica etc.)
 - When inhaled, it can enter the lung tissue and the bloodstream, triggering asthma attacks and adverse cardiovascular outcomes for vulnerable persons.
- Carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides
- Noise and light pollution: These impact the mental well-being of residents around the facility. These facilities are unfairly clustered in working-class communities of color.



Everyone has a right to breathe clean air.

a: 2520 Caroline Street, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77004 | p: 713.528.3779 | w: airalliancehouston.org

What are the specific concerns about the Houston Crushed Concrete facility?

- **More than 1100 households** are within a 1.5-mile radius of the proposed facility.
- The proposed crusher would be close to **5 schools, 4 child care facilities, 6 places of worship, 1 hospital, 1 nursing home, and 3 parks**, among other sensitive use areas.
- The community within 1.5 miles of this facility is comprised of:
 - 69% people of color, with 51% identifying as Hispanic or Latino, 12% identifying as Asian, and 4% identifying as Black.
 - 23% low-income households.
 - 28% Spanish-speaking.
- Within 1.5 miles of the facility:

Schools:

- Dr. Kirk Lewis Career and Technical High School
- Lomax Middle School
- Pasadena Memorial High School
- Teague Elementary School
- Tegeler Community School

Child Care Facilities:

- Horizons Christian Ministry
- Connect Early Learning Center
- Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Center
- Avance Inc, Tegeler Early Head Start

Hospitals:

- St. Luke's Health

Nursing Homes:

- The Medical Resort at Bay Area

Places of Worship:

- Risen Nation Church
- Clearpoint Church
- Zion Lutheran Church
- First Christian Church
- First Presbyterian Church
- Connect Community Church

Parks:

- Pasadena Municipal Golf Course
- Burke Crenshaw Park
- Universal Playground

What should TCEQ do about the permit application?

- Deny the permit and say “no” to the environmental and health harms posed by rock and concrete crushing facilities like this one. This releases too much air pollution to be located close to residential areas — especially since the community already has far too many polluting facilities and environmental hazards, including **multiple other aggregate facilities, 8 municipal solid waste sites, 3 hazardous waste sites, and 1 remediated Superfund Site** (Harris Landfill Farley Street)
- Barring a permit denial, TCEQ must strengthen the permit and require enhanced pollution control practices, including:
 - o Fenceline monitoring, so community members can know for sure how much pollution is being emitted
 - o Best Pollution Control Practices, to reduce the plant's pollution.

[Everyone has a right to breathe clean air.](#)

a: 2520 Caroline Street, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77004 | p: 713.528.3779 | w: airalliancehouston.org

What can I do to slow, stop, or strengthen this permit?

- Type up your comments and submit them to TCEQ online. To submit written comments, go to: <http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>. Type “181413” in the Permit Number box. You will be taken to an online form where you can type in your comments or attach a document. The form requires you to provide contact information.
- Contact your elected officials and voice your concerns about this new rock and concrete crushing facility, which would contribute to the air pollution in your community. Ask them to request a public meeting on the permit so questions can be asked and improvements discussed.

COPY AND PASTE THESE SAMPLE COMMENTS

I live near Houston Crushed Concrete’s proposed Rock and Concrete Crusher near Farley Road and oppose granting this permit.

Aggregate facilities emit health-harming pollutants including:

- Particulate Matter 2.5, which, when inhaled, can enter into lung tissue and the bloodstream, triggering asthma attacks and adverse cardiovascular outcomes for vulnerable persons.
- Carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides: all hazardous air pollutants.
- Noise and light pollution, impacting the mental wellbeing of residents around the facility.

More than 1100 households are within 1.5 miles of the proposed facility. It would also be close to 5 schools, 4 child care facilities, 6 places of worship, 1 hospital, 1 nursing home, and 3 parks.

I understand that this facility is a major source of hazardous air pollution, including Particulate Matter, which has been linked to respiratory, cardiovascular, and cancer illnesses. I am writing this to prioritize my health and the health of my community. I urge you to take this opportunity to protect the wellbeing of your fellow Texans—time and time again, TCEQ has failed in doing so.

ADD YOUR PERSONAL TESTIMONY HERE: This can be about your health, your quality of life as affected by this facility or others etc.

Everyone has a right to breathe clean air.

a: 2520 Caroline Street, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77004 | p: 713.528.3779 | w: airalliancehouston.org

I want TCEQ to prioritize the community's health, as they have the power to stop this concrete batch from exposing me and my neighborhood to continued air pollution and all of its negative health and quality of life impacts. Reject this permit!

END OF SAMPLE COMMENTS

Please contact Air Alliance Houston at (713) 528-3779 for additional information.

Go to our website for updates.

www.airalliancehouston.org > Community Updates > AirMail

To join our movement for clean air, sign up for our mailing list by scanning the QR code with your phone camera or by following this link: tinyurl.com/subscribeaah



Everyone has a right to breathe clean air.

a: 2520 Caroline Street, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77004 | p: 713.528.3779 | w: airalliancehouston.org