

following requirements or criteria and any other applicable requirements, criteria or standards set forth in this article. Sec. 50-676 of the Land Development Code is what enables an applicant to apply through Sec. 50-796. Applicant response in *italics*. Staff response in **bold**.

1. That the use is a special exception as set forth in Schedule 1, Use Regulations, of Section 50-676 hereof or as set forth in Levy County Comprehensive Plan.

Mining is allowed as a special exception within A/RR and RR zoning.

2. That the use is so designated, located and proposed to be operated that the public health, safety, welfare and convenience will be protected.

The proposed use is remotely located and will be operated in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 50-719 of the Levy County Code in order to protect Public Health, Safety, Welfare and Convenience.

3. That the use will not cause substantial injury to the value of other property in the neighborhood where it is to be located.

By incorporating the requirements of 50-719 of the Levy County Code into the design of the proposed use, the proposed use will not cause substantial injury to the value of the property (s) in the neighborhood where it is located and the land will return to the original use of Farm/Crop land upon completion.

4. That the property that is the subject of the special exception is suitable for the type of use proposed by virtue of its location, shape, topography, and by virtue of its compatibility with adjacent development, with uses allowed in adjacent land use and zoning districts, and with the character of the zoning district where it is located.

The proposed property is suitable for the proposed mining activity based upon the geotechnical evaluation performed on the property and based upon the location, shape, topography, and is similar in compatibility with neighboring properties that major mining activities are allowed as a Special Exception within District A/RR.

5. That adequate buffering, landscaping and screening are provided as required in this article, or as necessary to provide a visual and sound barrier between adjacent property and the property that is the subject of the special exception.

The proposed project will incorporate a vegetative buffer consisting of the planting of sand pines spaced 6 feet apart in staggering rows 6 feet apart within a minimum 50 feet width of the provided 100 feet setback from the property lines and to provide a minimum 80% opacity while standing at the property lines.

6. That adequate off-street parking and loading are provided and ingress and egress are so designed as to cause minimum interference with or congestions of vehicular or pedestrian traffic on abutting streets or of boat or vessel traffic on adjacent waterways.