

246: HMA, Aggregate & Concrete Batching



Course Overview: Aggregate Plants

- Introduction
- Emissions and Health Impacts
- Aggregate Industry
- Aggregate Process
- Engineering Evaluation
- Inspection Procedures



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Emissions from Nonmetallic Mining

Particulate Matter

- PM
- PM₁₀ & PM_{2.5}

Gases

- Toxics, ROGs,
- CO, NO_x & SO_x

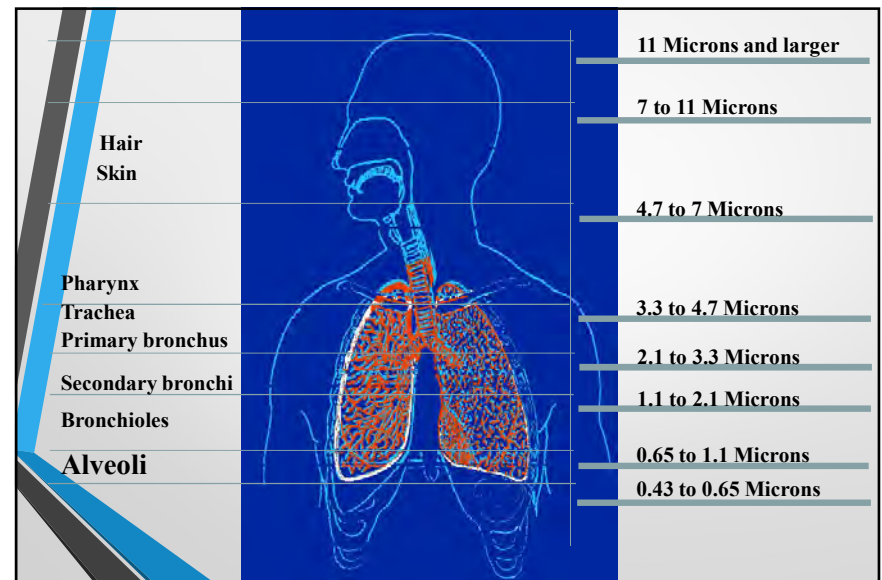
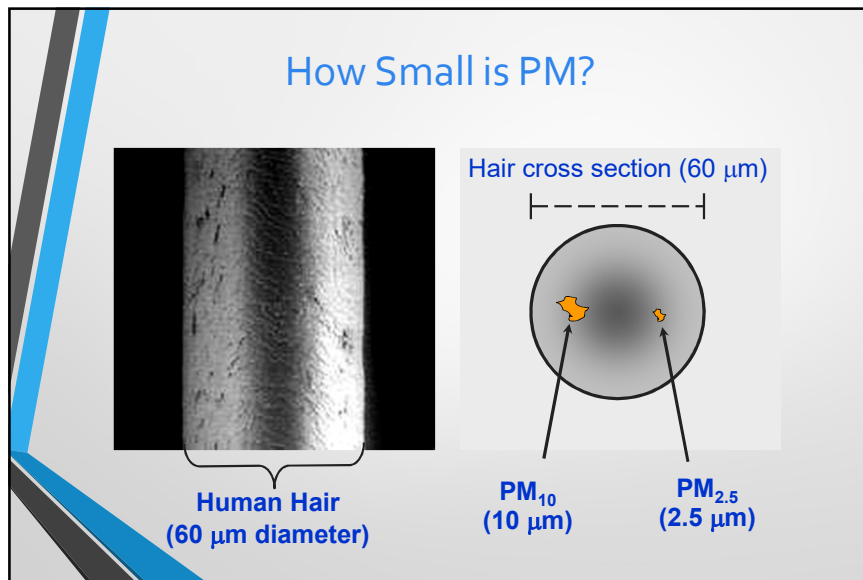
Asbestos & Heavy Metals



Emissions from Nonmetallic Mining in California (tons/day)

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Total Organic Gases (TOG) | 0.22 |
| Reactive Organic Gases (ROG) | 0.15 |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO ₂) | 0.05 |
| Oxides of Nitrogen (NO _x) | 0.10 |
| Oxides of Sulfur (SO _x) | 0.01 |
| Total Particulate Matter (PM) | 25.19 |
| Particulate Matter PM ₁₀ | 11.73 |
| Particulate Matter PM _{2.5} | 4.46 |

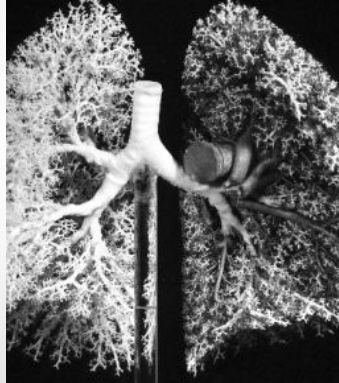
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Health Effects of PM

The Cilia have
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exposure



Emissions/Health Impacts

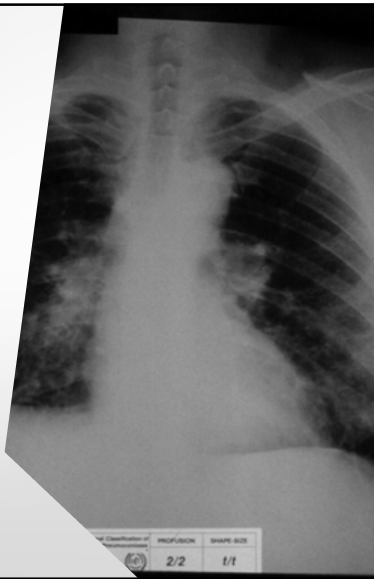
Asbestos



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Emissions/Health Impacts

- X-ray of a lung exposed to asbestos
- Results in mesothelioma



Health Effects of PM₁₀/PM_{2.5}

- Aggravated asthma
- Respiratory Distress
- Decreased Lung Function
- Chronic Bronchitis



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Concerns???

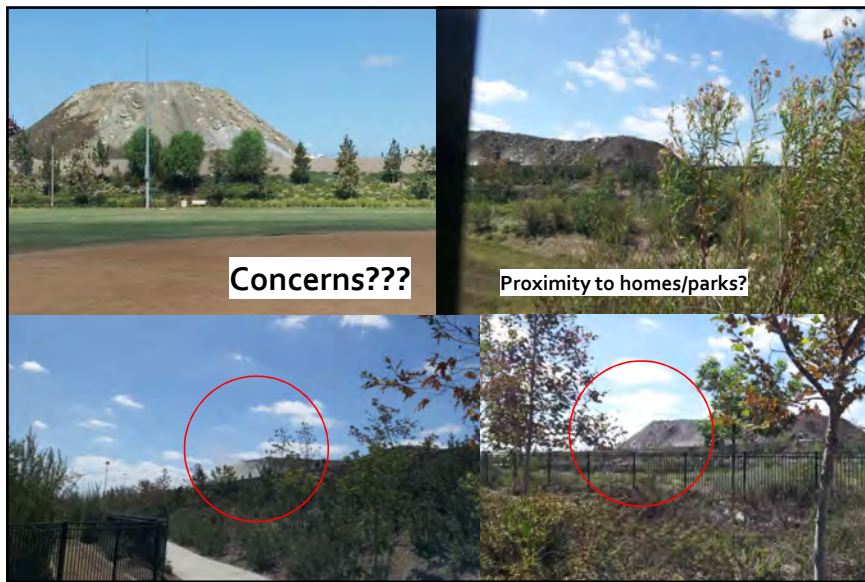


Concerns???



Aggregate, Mining, Industrial and Recycling

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Let's Discuss Aggregate Processing



Aggregate Processing: Wet or Dry?

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Aggregate Industry

- Definition of Natural Aggregate:

- A material composed of rock fragments (sand, gravel, and crushed stone) that may be used in its natural state or crushed, washed and sized.



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Aggregate Industry

Sand and Aggregate are:

- Loose mineral and rock particles
- Transported by water and erosion

Key Differences:

- Aggregate...passes through 2 inch screen
- Sand...passes through $\frac{1}{4}$ inch opening (retained on a 200 mesh per square inch screen)



Aggregate Industry Type:

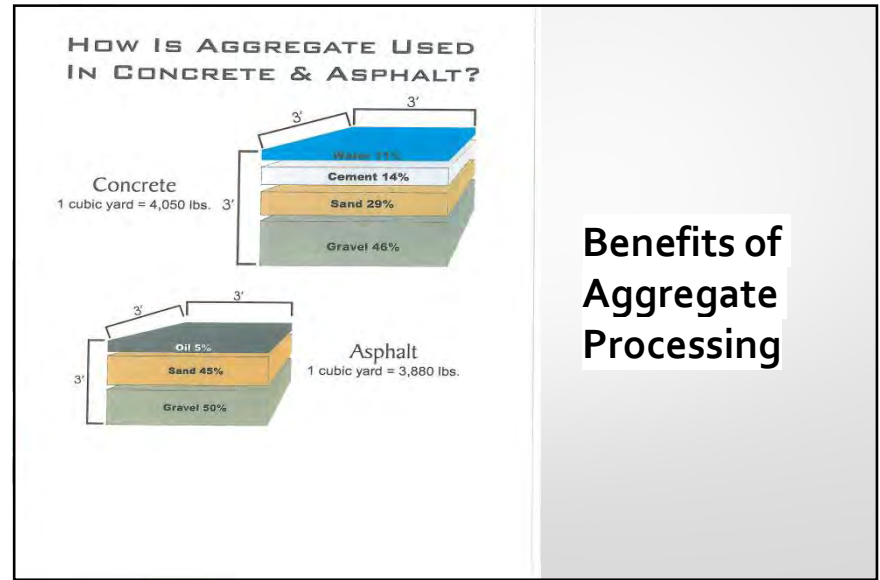
Natural



Crushed by Mechanical Means



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Aggregate Processing and Control



Emissions and Control

Aggregate Processing and Control

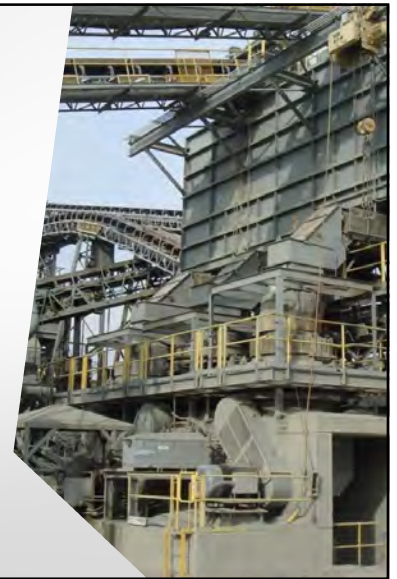


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Emission Sources

- Plant Generated Dust
 - Drilling
 - Crushing
 - Conveying
 - Screening
 - Stockpiling
- Fugitive Dust
 - Geologic material generated by:
 - Wind
 - Human activity



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Process & Controls

Emissions are measured by knowing:

- How much aggregate is processed over time?
- How much moisture is in the material being processed?
- The control efficiency of the air pollution control device...

Resulting in:

- Total Emissions (mass based...pounds/day or tons/year)

Calculating Emissions

- General equation from EPA AP-42 is:

- $E = A \times EF \times (1 - ER/100)$

- where:

- E = emissions
- A = activity rate
- EF = emission factor
- ER = % overall emission reduction efficiency



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Aggregate Mining

- Two General Types:
 - Sand and Gravel & Crushed Stone

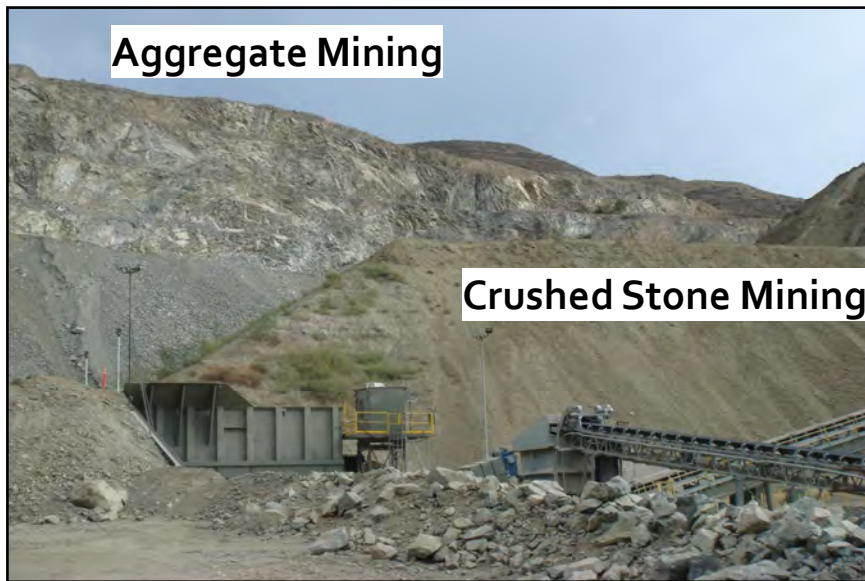


Aggregate Mining



Sand and Gravel Mining

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Crushed Stone Mining

- Drilling
- Blasting



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Heavy Metals



- Associated with quartz or volcanic deposits
- Metals include nickel, cadmium and antimony
- Become airborne during blasting or crushing
- Questionable sources should be sampled for presence of heavy metals

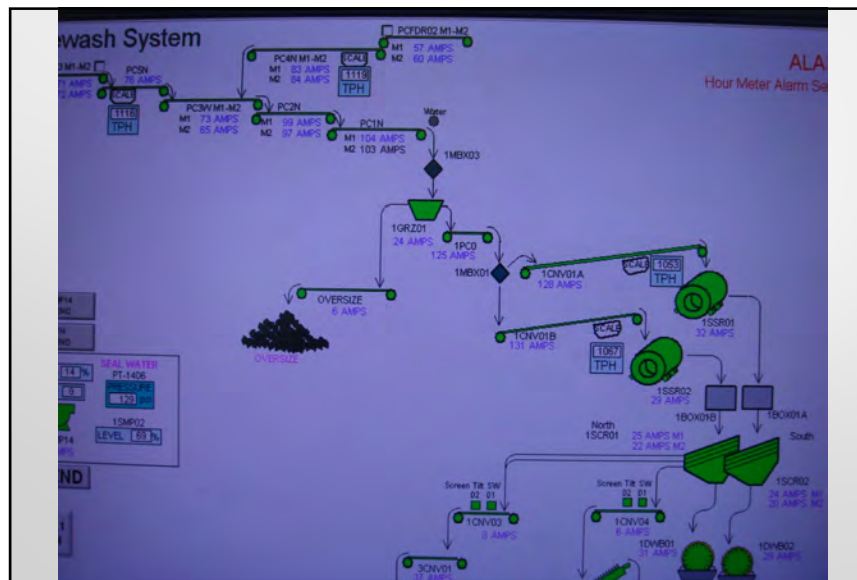
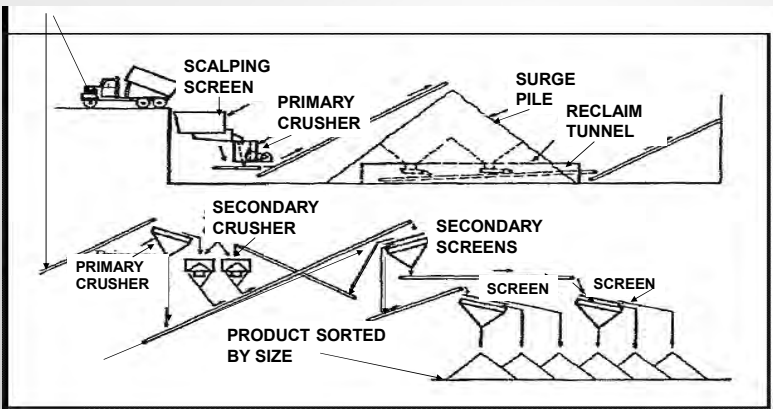


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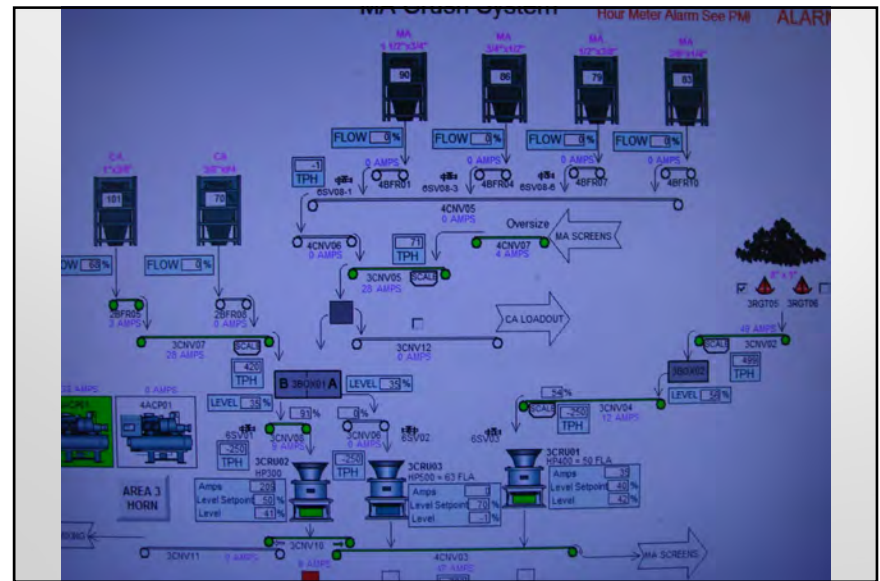
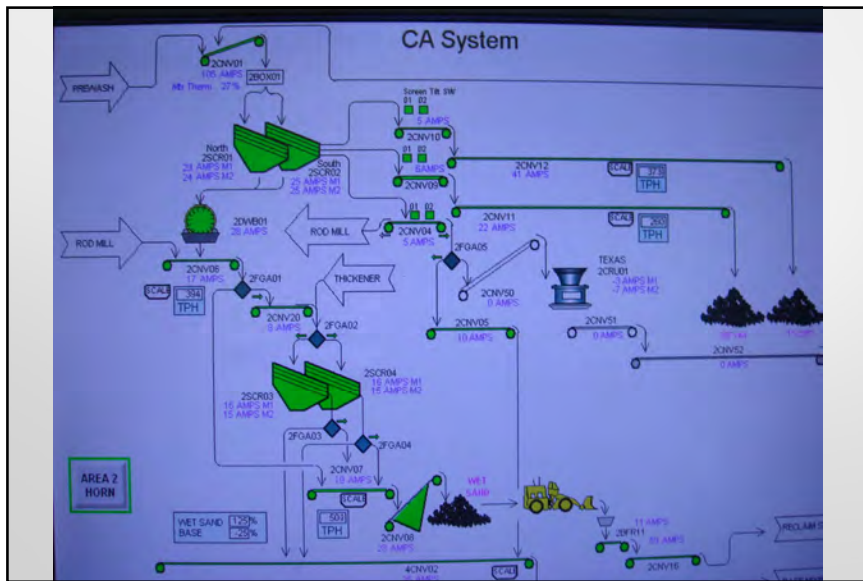


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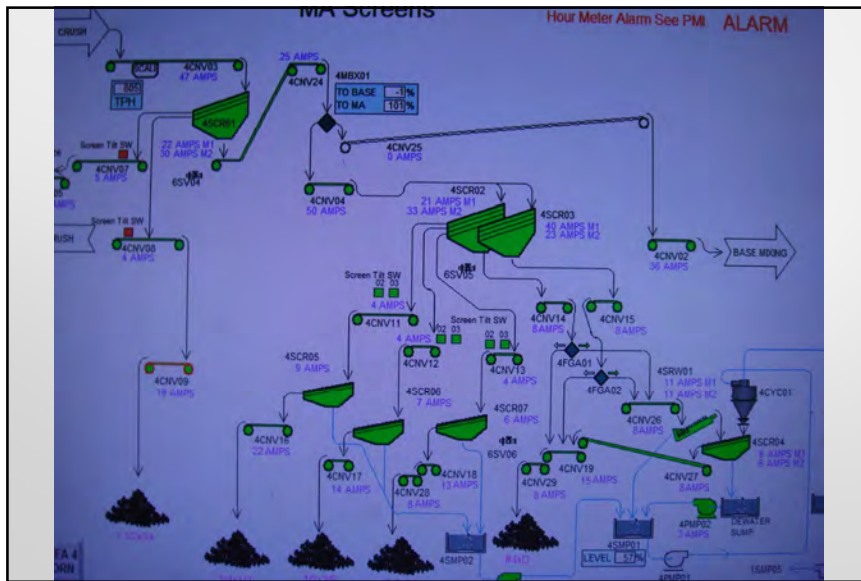
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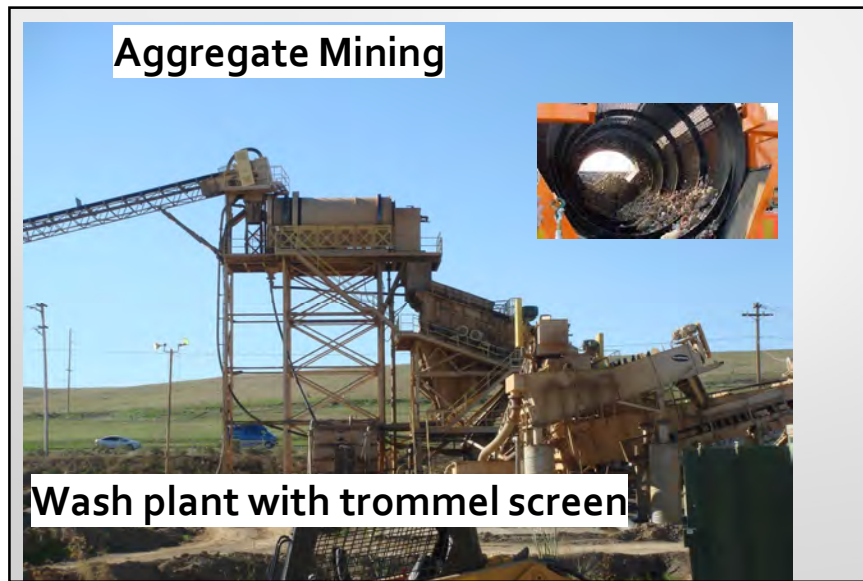
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Materials Handling

- Feeders/Conveyors
 - Primary
 - Secondary
- Crushers
 - Primary
 - Secondary
 - Tertiary



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Feeders

- **Feeders are used to:**

- Absorb the impact from dumping large quarried stone
- Feed the plant with a controlled, steady stream of raw material Used to handle muddy or sticky material
- They are located ahead of large, stationary primary crushers



Application of Feeders

APPLICATION OF FEEDERS TABLE – 2A

| DUTY | RECOMMENDED TYPE |
|---|---|
| Truck dumping or direct loading by Dozer, Shovel or Dragline. Maximum lump size not to exceed 75 percent of feeder width. | Super Heavy-Duty Apron Feeder with manganese flights. |
| Under hopper or bin, handling non-abrasive material. Maximum lump size not to exceed 75 percent of feeder width. | Super Heavy-Duty Apron Feeder with pressed steel flights. |
| Truck dumping or direct loading by Dozer, Shovel or Dragline. Maximum lump size not to exceed 75 percent of feeder width. | Heavy-Duty Apron Feeder |
| Under hopper or bin, handling non-abrasive material. Maximum lump size not to exceed 30 percent of feeder width. | Heavy-Duty Apron Feeder |
| Under Primary Crusher to protect belt conveyor. | Vibrating Feeder or Grizzly Feeder. |
| Under bins, hoppers or storage piles. Maximum lump size not to exceed 30 percent of feeder width. | Belt Feeder |
| Under Large Primary Crushers. | Heavy-Duty Apron Feeders |

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Feeders and Conveyors

- Primary
- Apron
- Grizzly Belt



Apron Feeders

- Apron feeders are used where:
 - Extremely rugged machines handling large feed are required
 - Used to handle muddy or sticky material
 - They are located ahead of large, stationary primary crushers



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Vibrating Feeder & Vibrating Grizzly Feeders



• These feeders are used where:

- Used where a compact feeder with variable speed control is required
- Vibrating Grizzly feeder is similar plus grizzly bars for separating fines the crushed feed
- They help bypass fines around the primary crushers increasing production & reduces crusher liner wear.

Vibrating Grizzly Feeders

- Grizzly
- Vibrating Grizzly
- Step deck Grizzly



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Vibrating Grizzly Feeders

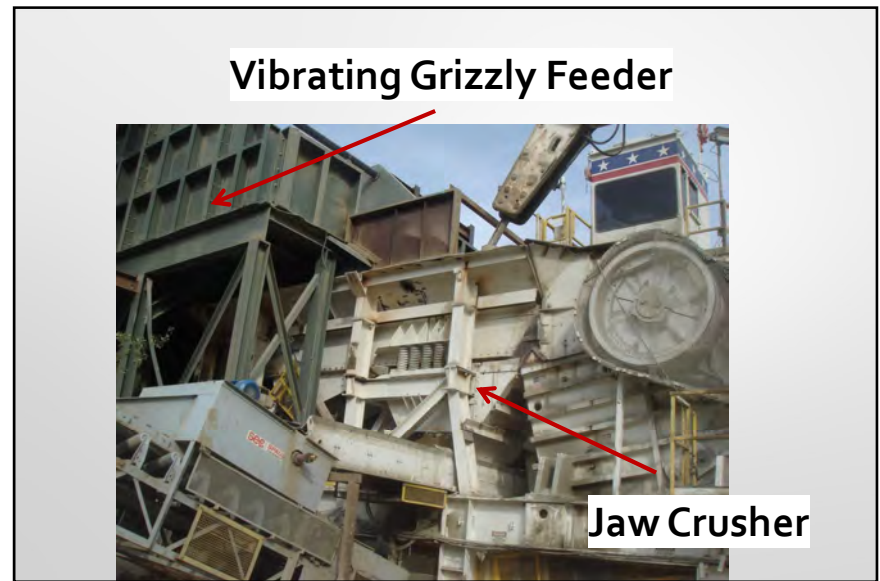


Reduces crusher liner wear

Grizzly Feeder



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Belt Feeders

- Belt feeders are used:
 - Under a hopper or trap with 6" maximum feed size
 - They have an infinite variable speed control for optimum plant feed rate



Belt Feeders & Conveyors



Feeder with Spray Bar

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Vibrating Pan

Primary Conveyor



Conveyor with Spray Bar

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Wobble Feeder

- Combined feeder and scalper
- Effective in handling clay or fine sticky feed material



Wash Plant

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Wash
Plant

Wash Plant w/trommel screen



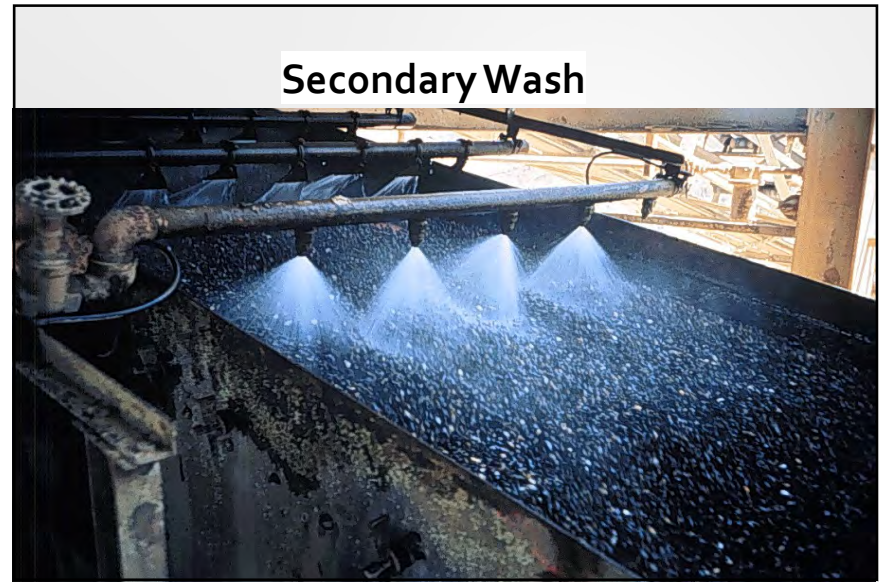
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Recycled Water from Wash Plant



Wash Plant, Screens, & Truck Loadout

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Conveyors



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Conveyor Belt



- Conveyor Belt
- Belt feeder with adjustable feed gate



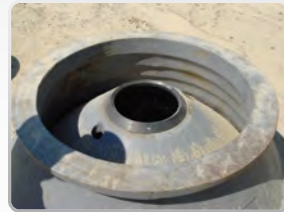
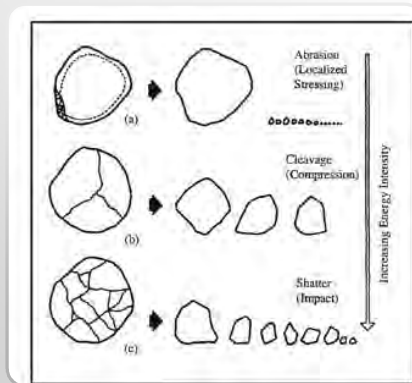
Crushing

- Fracture Mechanisms
- Crushing Equipment
- Factors Influencing Crushed Product



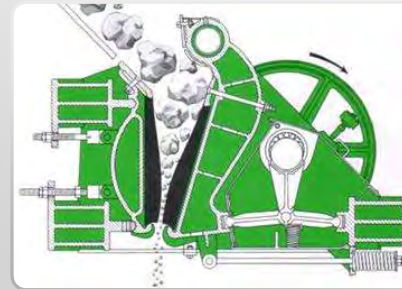
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Fracture Mechanisms



- Particle Breaking:
 - Abrasion
 - Cleavage
 - Shatter

Primary or Jaw Crusher

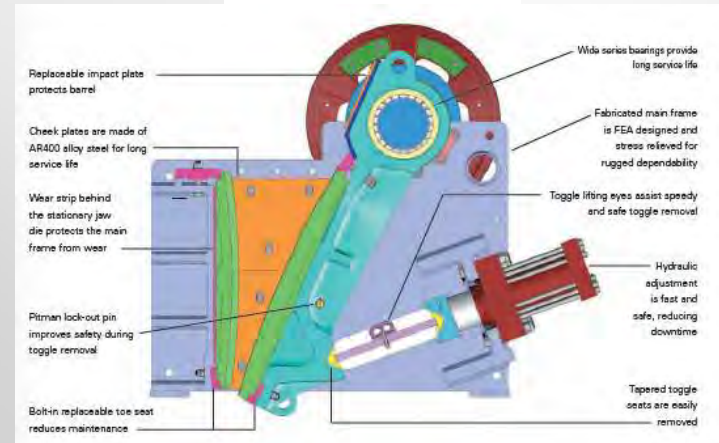


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Jaw Crusher




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Jaw Crusher



During normal crushing, hydraulic cylinders hold the toggle beam forward.

Clearing is achieved using push button controls. Cylinders retract the toggle beam and pitman, allowing the stone to fall.

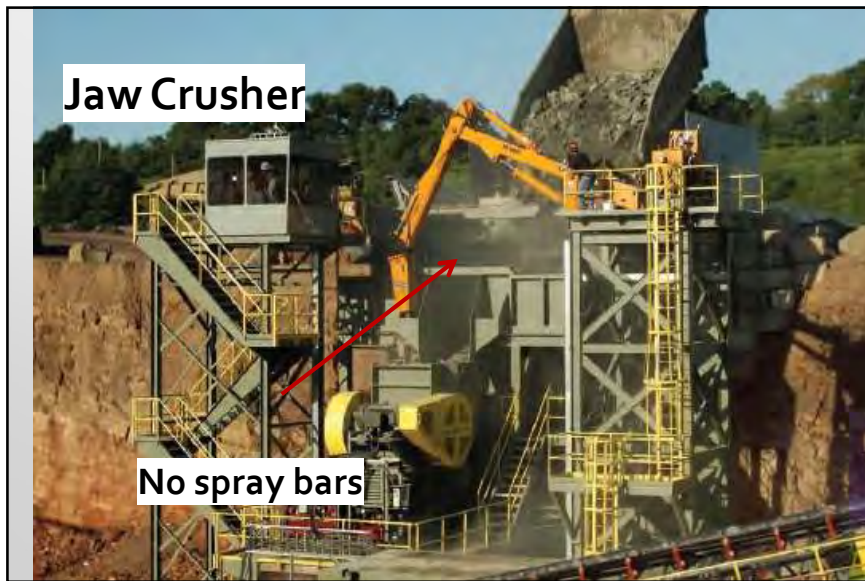
Cylinders push the toggle beam and pitman forward, crushing the remaining tone. Cycling through this process a few times clears the chamber.

Jaw Crusher



3" to 8" Rock

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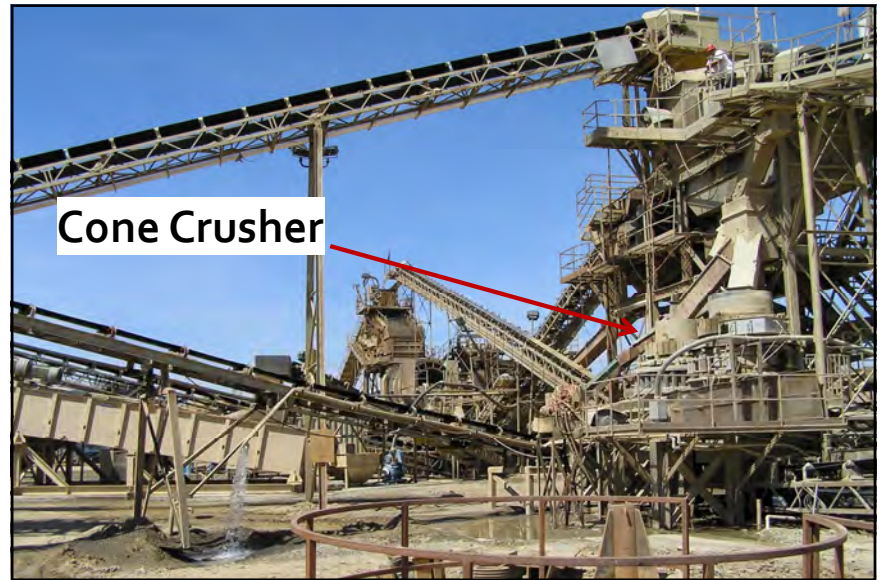


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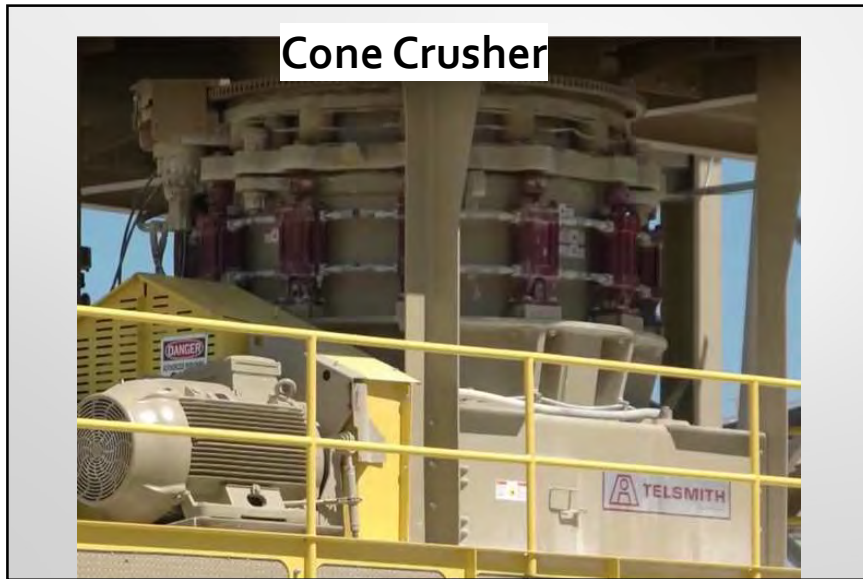
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Cone Crusher

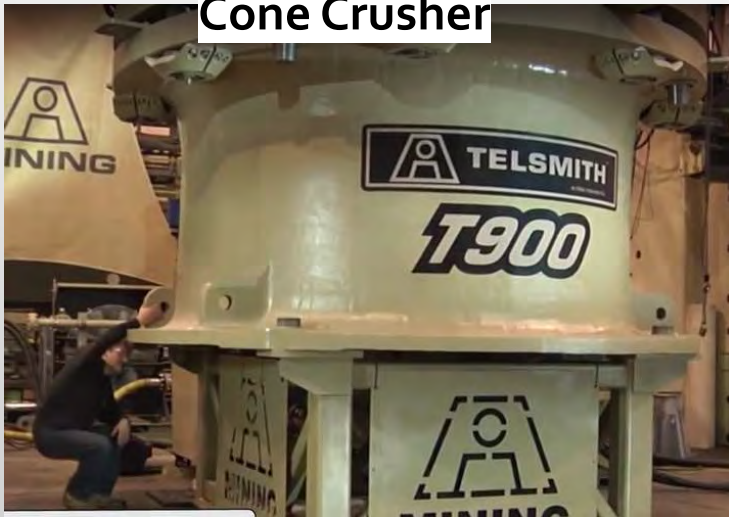


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Cone Crusher



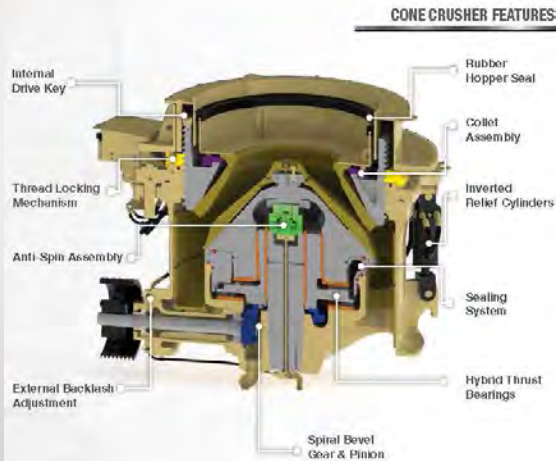
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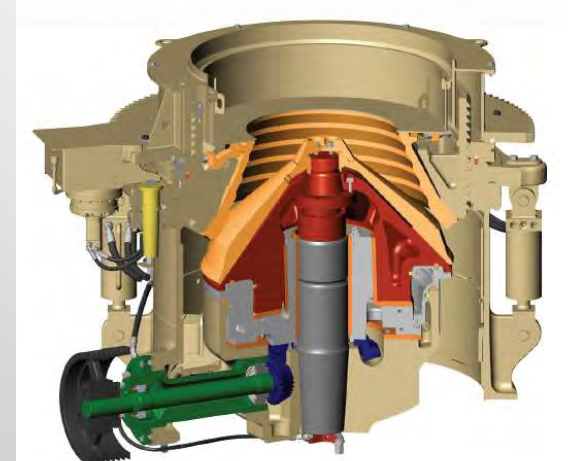
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Cone Crusher

2"
1 3/4"
1 1/2"
1 1/4"
1"
3/4"
5/8"
1/2"
3/8"
size
rock



Cone Crusher



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Cone Crusher



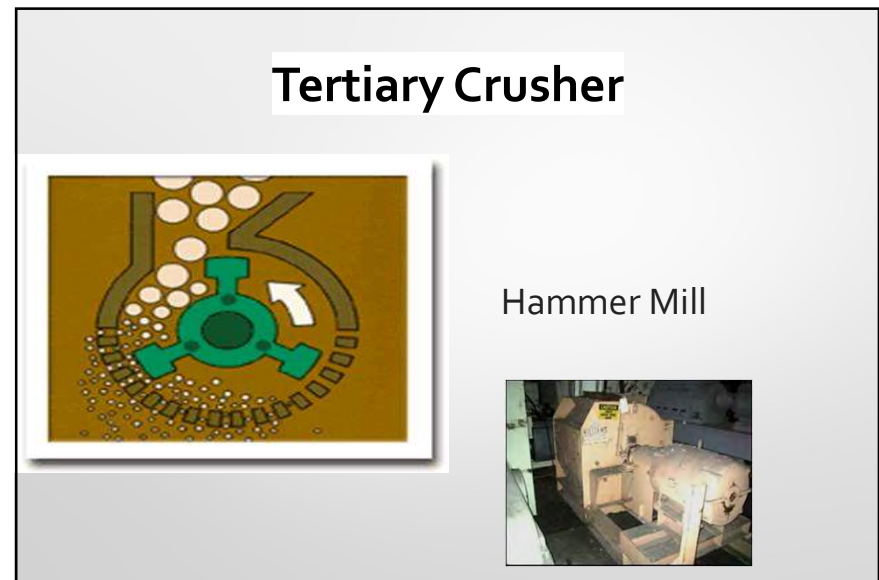
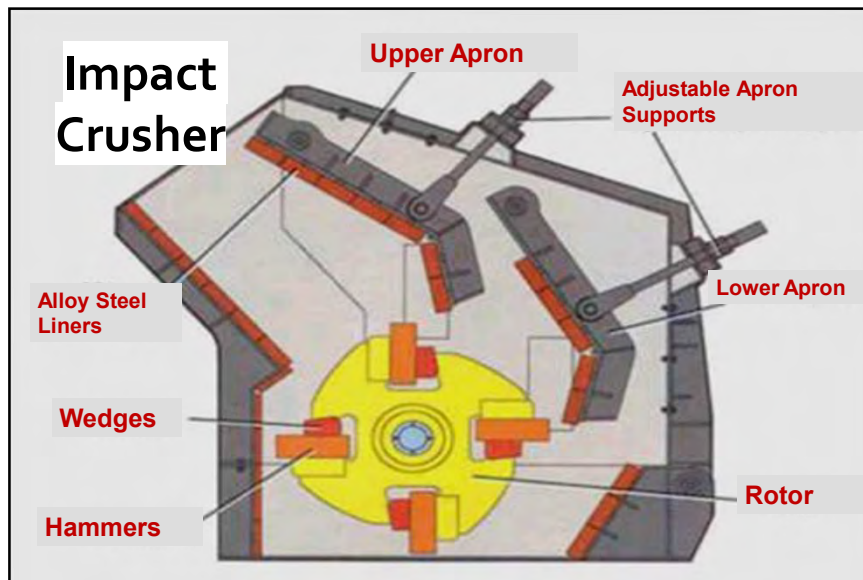
Baghouse

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Impact Crusher



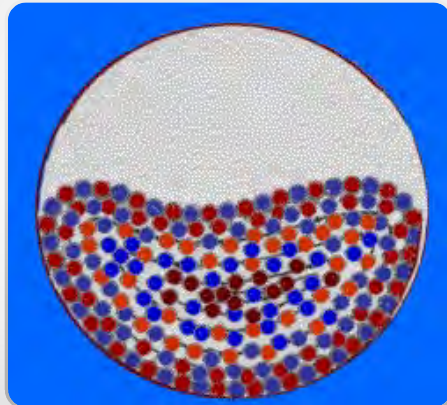
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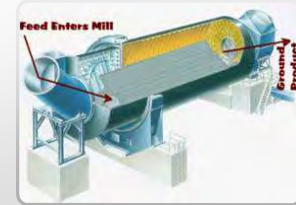
Grinding Mill or Ball Mill

- Dry ball mills most popular, due to economics
- Used for finer material separation



Grinding Mill or Ball Mill

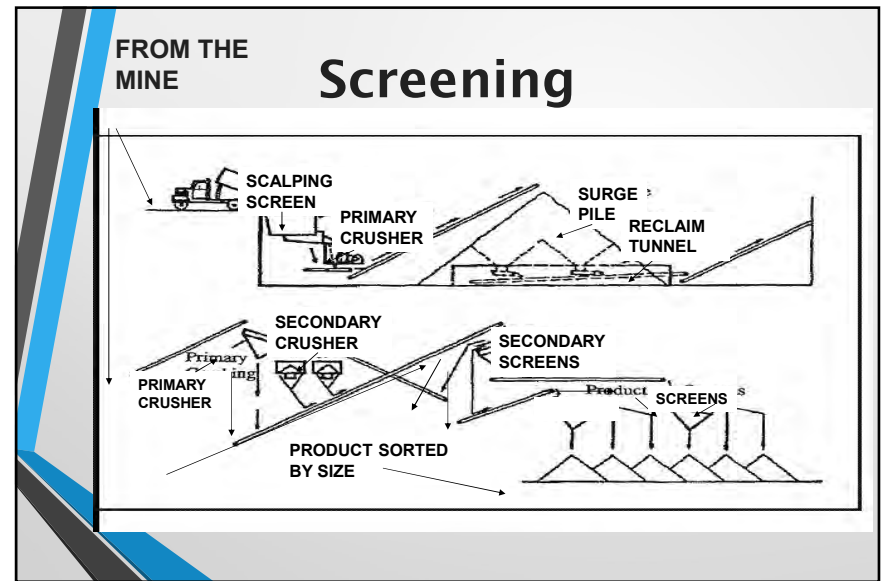
- Media are rods or balls
- Rods are for coarse material
 - manufactured sand
 - cement clinker



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Screening Operations



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Screens from 4' x 8' to 8' x 24'

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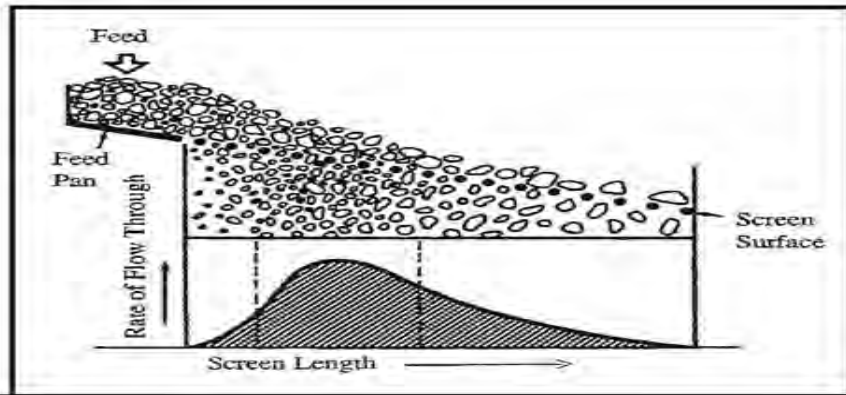


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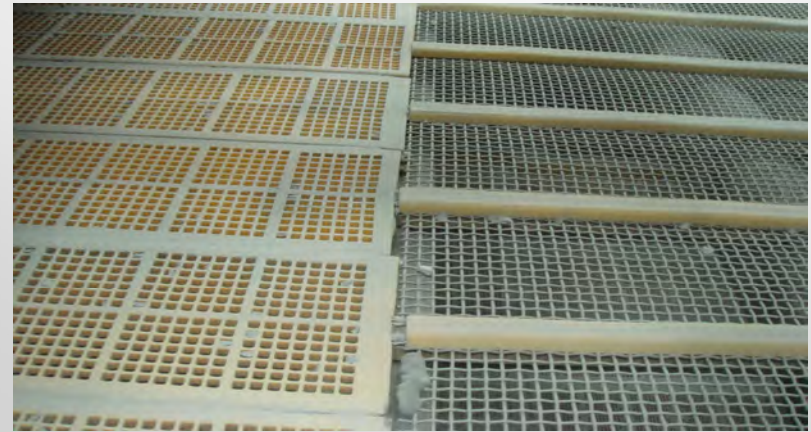


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Screening Surface



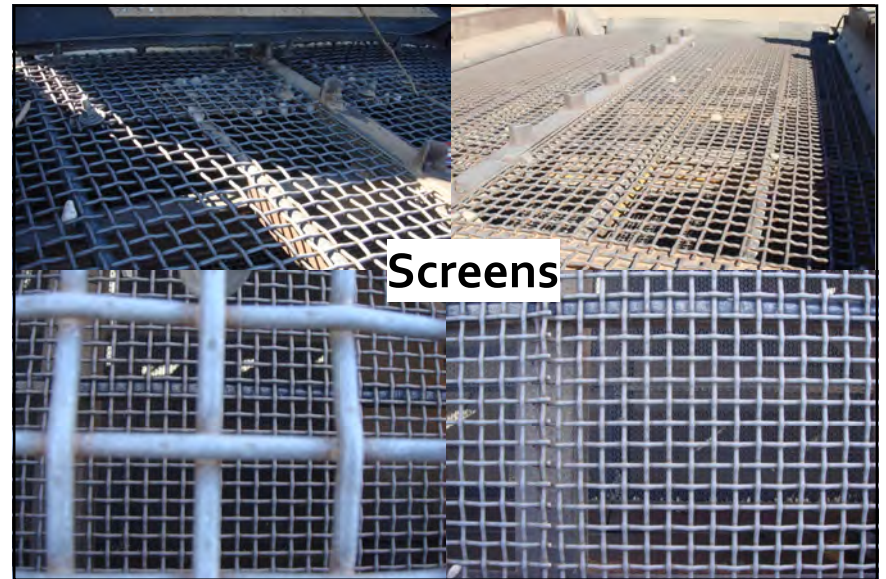
Screening Operations



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Point Emissions

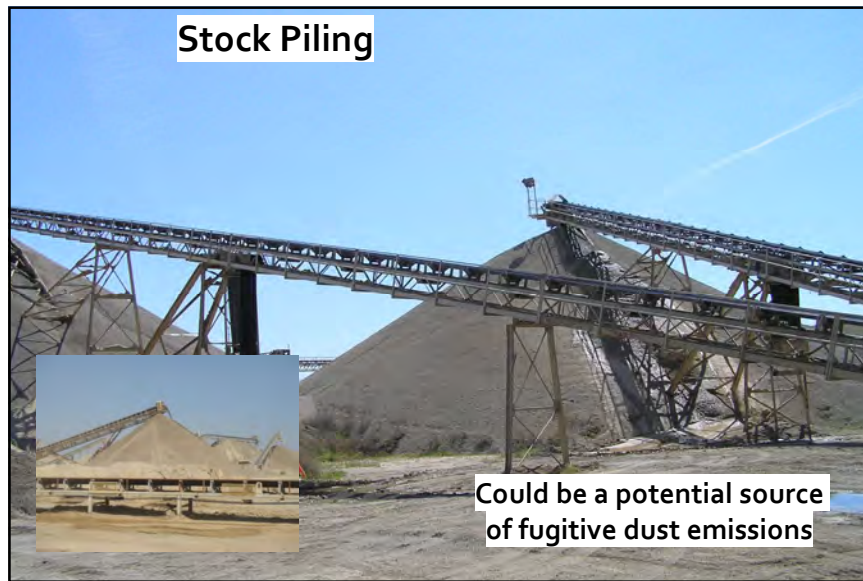
- Point emissions originate from stacks
 - Control Devices
 - Where aggregate is dried
- Stack emissions
 - Moisture
 - Gases
 - PM/PM₁₀/PM_{2.5}
 - All of the above



Point Emissions



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Storage & Loadout Operations



Air Pollution Control Measures

- Preventative Measures
 - Passive Enclosures
 - Wet/Chemical Suppression
 - Paved Surface/Cleaning
- Dry Collection Systems
 - baghouse
 - cyclone



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Process & Control Measures

Control

- Moving conveyors or trucks (passive control is wind screens)

Operations

- Crushing (active control is water)
- Transfer (active control is water)

Air Pollution & Control Measures

- Water sprays
- Maintaining good housekeeping
- Covers
- Enclosure or cover at transfer points and screening operations
- Exhausting air to air pollution control systems

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Preventative Measures

- Passive enclosures
- Wet suppression
- Stabilization of unpaved surfaces
- Minimizing drop height
- Paved surfaces cleaning
- Work practices
- Housekeeping

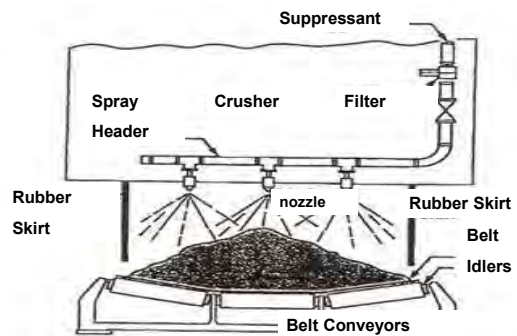


Preventative Measures



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Preventative Measures



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Dry Collection Systems



Baghouses are regulated in terms of:

- Grains/cubic foot or air emitted (gr./dscf)
- Pounds/Ton of Aggregate produced
- Opacity



Baghouse
in
Disrepair

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Combination Systems

Dry collection and wet suppression

- When fine particulates have an economic value in addition to meeting air pollution control laws
- Due to screen blinding
- Due to plant location or local pollution control codes, which is not economically feasible

Other Processing Equipment

- Rock Breaker
- Magnets
- Metal detector
- Pugmills
- PERP equipment
- Washing equipment
- Rotary Scrubber
- Wet classifiers
- Pumps Grinding Mills

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Inspection Objectives

Determine compliance with:

- District regulations & permit conditions
- Fugitive dust
- Visible emissions
- Oxides of nitrogen (for fuel burning equipment)
- Control devices

Pre-Inspection

- Regulation Review
- Equipment Check
 - Safety goggles and earplugs
 - Safety shoes, hard had, and gloves
 - ID and business cards

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Pre-Inspection File Review

1. Permit application
2. Approved permit
3. Equipment
4. Permit condition for each unit
5. Previous inspection reports
6. NTC/NOV
7. Compliance action
8. Complaints
9. Variance history
10. Abatement orders
11. Date of last source test

Pre - Entry & Entry

- Observe the site
 - Note odors or visible emissions
 - Size and layout
 - Environmental demeanor
- ID potential problem areas
- Enter through normal public access
- Introduce yourself, ask to see contact listed in file, & present business card



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Pre – Inspection Meeting

- State purpose of inspection and identify equipment to be inspected
- Discuss any outstanding business
- Obtain
 - Company name
 - Ownership information
 - Address
 - Contact information
 - Operating schedule, date of last source test and fuel usage

Pre-Inspection Meeting

- Date of last break down
- Determine the statuses of:
 - Dust suppression equipment
 - Air pollution control equipment
 - Monitoring and recording devices
- Check permit

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Non - Compliance

A NTC/NOV is issued when:

- The permit is not:
 1. Current or no permit
 2. Posted properly
- Or conditions on permit are not followed
- Or blatant disregard for the permit conditions



Post - Inspection

- Make compliance determination
- Inform site of inspection (NOVs, and advise on areas of concern)
- Document pending NOVs due to additional info request etc.



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Safety