

The Foundation for Aggregate Studies

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Dear Sirs:

We would like to bring you up-to-date on the activities of the Foundation for Aggregate Studies (FAS). Over the past six months we have expanded and improved our office space and increased our staff and research programmes.

In April, FAS established the unique Municipal Advisory Service (MAS). The Gravel Extract, which you as a member receive every three months is just one part of this service. FAS staff also research and summarize important aggregate-related court cases for our bi-monthly "Legal Review". A Press Clipping Service, also produced every two months, provides MAS subscribers with an up-to-date overview of pit and quarry news from across Ontario.

FAS has been active in assisting citizen groups, most recently in Uxbridge and Adjala Townships. Our research and organizational expertise have been instrumental in their struggles for fair control of the aggregate industry.

FAS's research into rehabilitation, transportation, agricultural land, and municipal control continues, and the FAS Brief, "Studies and Recommendations", is in the final stages of revision and will be available later this month.

The FAS is currently conducting its semi-annual fundraising campaign. As you will see from the attached information sheet on FAS's operations, 20% of the operating budget is being sought from individuals. FAS's work is particularly critical at this time, as the new pits and quarries legislation is stalled in the drafting stage and FAS is currently working to ensure sensible and rational input into the proposed new Act. Financial support for the Foundation is desperately needed. We are, therefore asking all our members to consider a donation of \$50.00 or more. Donations are tax deductible and payable to the "FCM Aggregate Fund".

We hope you can help, and look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your continued interest in FAS, and best wishes for the new year.

Yours sincerely,



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Executive Director

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