



## OPEN NOTICE TO THE COMMUNITY REGARDING CERTAINTEED'S GYPSUM BOARD REMOVAL AND RECLAMATION PROJECT

In January of 2020 CertainTeed Gypsum (formerly Celotex) made the difficult decision to stop production of drywall products at its Cody, WY plant with all board related operations coming to an end in May 2020. Market challenges and decline over time in the northwest, coupled with low plant capacity, had made it difficult to sustain the plant further.

As a part of the procedure to decommission the site, and to fully comply with the State's Solid Waste Permit regulations, CertainTeed is required to remove remnant gypsum board material from the plant site, currently stored on our campus as a waste pile. The removal of this material will eliminate the visual impact of the waste pile, which is currently visible from Cody town.

To remove the material from the site, CertainTeed has contracted with Jackson Excavation to haul this non-hazardous, off-spec gypsum board from our site located at 88 Rd. 2AB Cody, WY 82414 to CertainTeed's depleted mine – commonly known as the "Old Pit" area - located on Skyline Road, 2mi south-west of downtown Cody.

To be clear, we are not reactivating the depleted mine; instead, we are taking this opportunity to reclaim the depleted mine. The reclamation of the mine will include grading the material as well as covering and seeding in a manner that will reduce storm water runoff and erosion, and improve the visual appeal of the land.

An additional objective in the removal of the gypsum board pile from the now closed drywall gypsum plant location is to allow the on-site material stockpile area to be reclaimed, making the site more attractive to potential buyers seeking to invest in Cody.

CertainTeed is working with the contractor to fulfill the project needs and every effort will be taken to attempt to minimize disturbances to the environment and community's daily life. The trucks will travel at a lower speed than the allowed limit through residential neighborhoods. All trucks are being covered to reduce material blowing out. On a daily basis, the contractor will be checking the roads traveled for truck blown material or other potential issues and will complete this step every day after the last haul. The contractor will also utilize a water tank to spray the access roads to suppress dust that might be generated by the trucks.

Work will be completed **weekdays** and between **7am – 4pm** to mitigate the effects of the truck traffic in the city. We do not anticipate hauling to take place every weekday during this project as there will be performed at the disposal site, as well. We expect the project to be completed by the end of October 2020, with a goal of completing the project earlier if possible.

Should you have any questions or concerns about this project, please contact CertainTeed at **(800) 975-7394**.



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## **Gypsum Board Removal and Reclamation Project FAQ**

***Q: What is the project all about?***

A: In January of 2020 CertainTeed Gypsum (formerly Celotex) made the difficult decision to stop production of drywall products at its Cody, WY plant with all board related operations coming to an end in May 2020. As a part of the procedure to decommission the site, and to fully comply with the State's Solid Waste Permit regulations, CertainTeed is required to remove remnant gypsum board material from the plant site, currently stored on our campus as a gypsum board pile. To remove the material from the site, CertainTeed has contracted with Jackson Excavation to haul this non-hazardous, off-spec gypsum board from our site located at 88 Rd. 2AB Cody, WY 82414 address to CertainTeed's depleted mine – commonly known as the “Old Pit” area - located on Skyline Road, 2mi south-west of downtown Cody.

***Q: Are you reactivating the mine??***

A: No. To be clear, we are not reactivating the depleted mine; instead, we are taking this opportunity to reclaim the depleted mine. The reclamation of the mine will include grading the material as well as covering and seeding in a manner that will reduce storm water runoff and erosion, improving the visual appeal of the land.

***Q: What is being hauled through Cody?***

A: Non-hazardous, off-spec gypsum board from our site located at 88 Rd. 2AB Cody, WY 82414 to CertainTeed's depleted mine located on Skyline Road, just west of Cody.

***Q: What hours should I expect to see work being completed?***

A: Work will be completed weekdays, 7am-4pm. The project has commenced and we expect it to be completed by October 2020.

***Q: Were other routes considered to transport the materials from the plant to the disposal site?***

A: There is only one public road into the disposal site, which is the route that was chosen. It did not make sense to create a new route for such a short project that has a definite end time.

***Q: How many trucks should we expect to be driving through town each day?***

A: During a normal haul day, we would expect 50-60 trucks. However, there could be some days with less trucking hauls when work is being performed at the disposal site.

***Q: Will there be regular updates on the progress of the project?***

A: Yes. CertainTeed will provide the City of Cody with an update on the project status once a month until this project is complete.

***Q: What do I do if I have a concern about this project?***

A: If you have a questions or concern, please contact us at (800) 975-7394.

**Intended Route of Travel**

