

## Scott Weeks

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**From:** Tony Pierce <tpierce@pecofoods.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 9:42 AM  
**To:** Scott Weeks  
**Subject:** FW: Exempt Mine in Canton

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Scott,

Good morning, below in the email chain, is the correspondence between Duncan Teague (DEQ) and myself following Duncan and my phone conversation and actual meeting at dad's property. Our goal is to straighten up the mess that has been left behind, from the previous individual(s) that had dug dirt on dads place.

When we spoke on Friday, you stated that if we could obtain something from DEQ, that we may be able to amend (I know that is not the words you had used) the permit for my land to get this area straightened out.

Please let me know of anything I need to do, in order to assist in this matter, and any assistance you and your office can offer, will be greatly appreciated..

Thank you and if I may be of any assistance in this matter, please contact me at 601-955-9362.

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**From:** Teague Duncan <TDuncan@mdeq.ms.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 9:16 AM  
**To:** Tony Pierce <tpierce@pecofoods.com>  
**Subject:** Exempt Mine in Canton

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Mr. Pierce,

A recent inspection of your property measured approximately 4 acres of excavation. Although the acreage was noncontiguous, they were in close enough proximity to be considered the same mine and still exempt.

Please be advised that I used a range finder to determine that the extent of land excavated was at approximately 3.8 acres. The range finders have a moderately high degree of inaccuracy. If you are ever found to be over 4 acres, you will be in violation of state law and required to obtain a surface mining permit for this location.

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