



### Stop 3009 Vulcan Quarry

- All-volunteer, citizen driven organization
- In legal fight with Vulcan Materials and TCEQ for 6 years
- Case now at the Texas Supreme Court



White Ranch

Vulcan Quarry in San Antonio

### TRAM's Creation



- Cofounding Organizations
  - Preserve Our Hill Country Environment (PHCE) Milann Guckian
  - Comal Environmental Education Coalition Mark Friesenhahn
  - Comal Independent School District Past Superintendent Andrew Kim
  - Hill Country Alliance Cliff Kaplan
- Comal County not alone Need to unite
- Organization of Statewide Alliance TRAM is born
- What is TRAM?





### TRAM's Mission



TRAM is a statewide coalition of member groups seeking to work with lawmakers, state agencies, and good-faith industry operators to create state standards for best management practices in the expanding Aggregate Production Operation (APO) industry.

#### Goals:

- Create a healthier, safer, and more desirable communities for Texans
- Create a more efficient APO industry that aligns with community concerns

# TRAM's 7 Key Issues

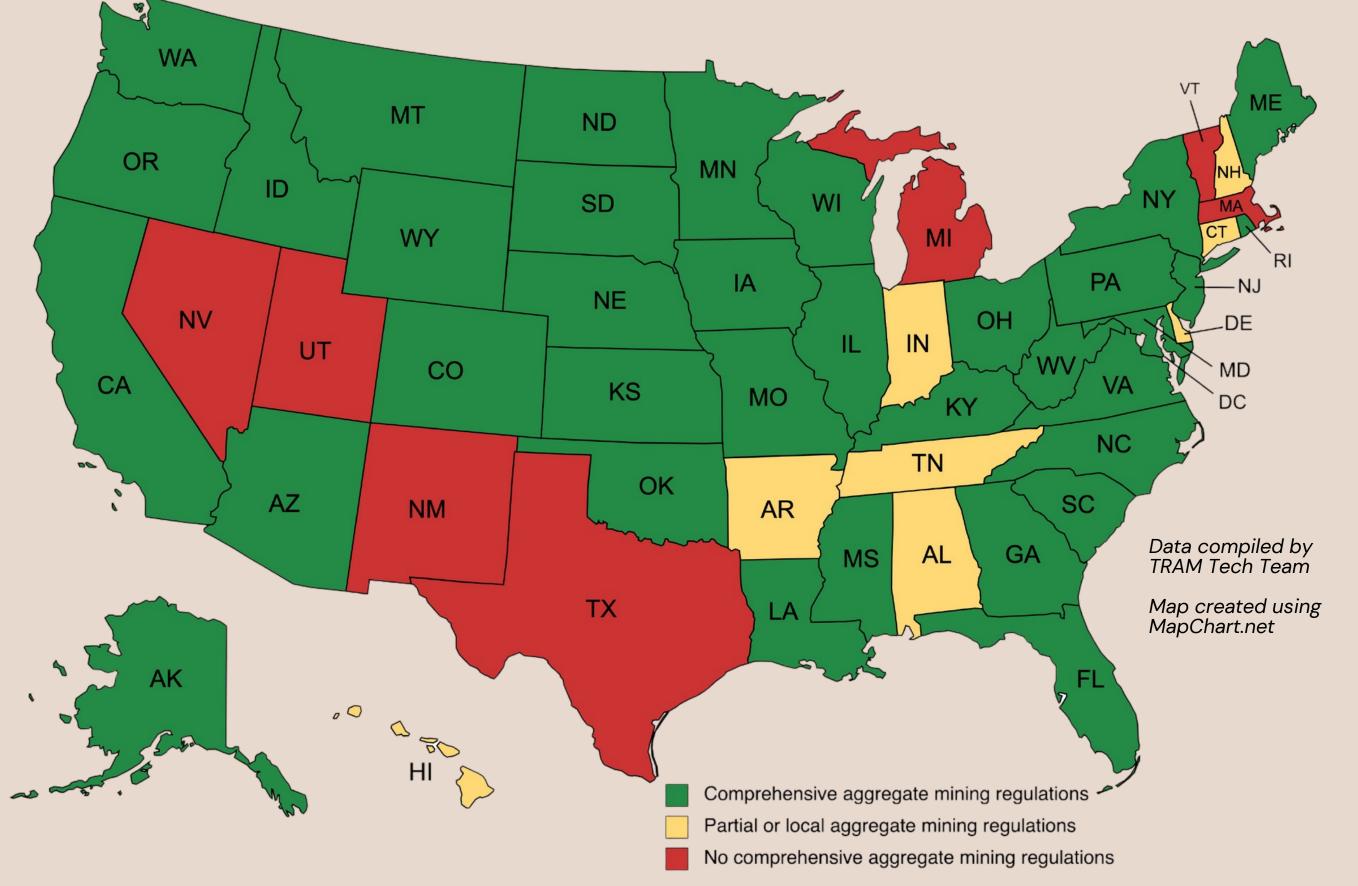


- 1. Air Particulate Emissions
- 2. Water use and availability
- 3. Surface and groundwater contamination
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- 4. Rapid APO development without Regulatory oversight
- 5. Truck traffic
- 6. Nuisance issues noise and light pollution
- 7. Economic impacts



# APO Regulations by state





86% of states have comprehensive or partial aggregate mining regulations.



# WHY NOT IN TEXAS?

- State's "Business-first"
- Economic Priorities
- Poor regulatory environment

## TRAM in Action



- Proactive work at the Legislature
- Ongoing negotiations with industry representatives
- Funding options and opportunities
- Growing the coalition

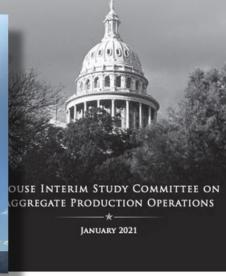
**Legislative Reports** 

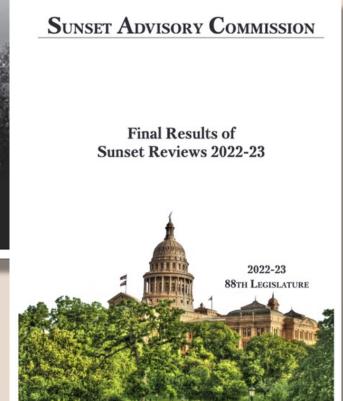


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