

Milton Quarry earns recognition for environmental, community initiatives

The Milton Quarry is among 19 sites and quarries across the province that were recently recognized with industry awards by the Ontario Stone, Sand and Gravel Association (OSSGA). The Milton site, operated by Dufferin Aggregates — a division of CRH Canada Group Inc. — earned the Environmental Achievement and Community Relations awards.

The Environmental Achievement Award recognizes OSSGA members that have developed and successfully implemented industry-leading policies, programs or projects that have a positive impact on the environment, according to a release. The Community Relations Award recognizes good neighbourly activities, community involvement, media relations, education and awareness.

The Milton Quarry, according to Dufferin Aggregates' submission to the OSSGA, is active in the community, hosting tree planting events and an open house annually for local residents. It also engages with the community through its advisory panel and holds site tours. In addition to various events, the Milton Quarry supports a number of groups and organizations around town, including The Darling Home for Kids, the Milton Sports Hall of Fame, the Halton Agricultural Society Fair, United

Way of Milton events, and the Bob Rumball Foundation — among many others.

On the environmental front, the Milton Quarry is committed to stewardship and takes pride in its rehabilitation, water management and waste reduction efforts. It is also home to an electric vehicle charging station.

"Receiving two awards from the OSSGA for our environmental and community initiatives at the Dufferin Aggregates Milton Quarry is a testament to our ongoing commitment to our local communities, and our continuous efforts to be responsible stewards of the national environment," said Milton Quarry general manager Dan O'Hara. "We are very grateful for the recognition and aim to continue making meaningful contributions where we operate."

The OSSGA, a not-for-profit industry association that represents producers and suppliers, presented the awards at its annual conference and general meeting in Ottawa last month.

The association encourages its members "to be sound stewards of the lands on which they operate, and to be engaged and valued members of their community," said OSSGA's executive director, Norm Cheesman, adding, "All of the award winners have met and exceeded those expectations."

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