

Timeline of Ann Arbor Township-MMM Actions

July 10, 2023	Township sends letter to MMM demanding information about mining operation and well impacts
July 10, 2023	Township submits comments to EGLE opposing MMM's water withdrawal permit application; MMM later withdraws application
August 21, 2023	Township holds board meeting at Washtenaw Community College, which includes three hours of public comment and a presentation from MMM and its hydrogeologists, Haley & Aldrich
September 27, 2023	Township issues MMM written violation notice for Conditional Use Permit (CUP)
September 28-29, 2023	Township files a complaint against MMM in Washtenaw County Circuit Court and requests a preliminary injunction
October 10, 2023	Court enters preliminary injunction
October 20, 2023	Court enters amended preliminary injunction, prohibiting MMM from further dewatering and requiring MMM to pay for monitoring of aquifer recovery
October 25, 2023	Township Board holds special meeting to explain amended preliminary injunction to residents
October 27, 2023	Township engages Tetra-Tech to conduct residential water level monitoring at MMM's expense
December 18, 2023	Township website post on aquifer recovery program and status of program
March 18, 2024	Township Board passes moratorium on new mining applications
July 3, 2024	Township and MMM reach agreement for MMM to engage in a dredging trial period, \$25,000 partial payment for attorney fees and requirement that MMM install sound meters on the property and provide Township with daily sound measurements
July 2024	Tetra-Tech provides final report on Massey Lake which was posted on the Township website
August 5, 2024 – October 15, 2024	MMM engages in trial dredging; Township website posts on sound data MMM gathered during those operations
September 19, 2024	Township and MMM enter into agreement requiring MMM to deposit \$100,000 performance guarantee to fund Earhart Road improvement project
October 21, 2024	Township Board passed new mineral mining ordinance

November 2024	In response to resident complaints, Township addresses with MMM issue of significant truck traffic before mine opens; MMM sends relevant customer a warning letter
December 2024	Earhart Road improvement project is completed with MMM fully funding road maintenance and part of forestry work; County Road Commission pays for ditching and part of forestry
April 2025	Township inspection discovers recent damage to soil erosion fence on MMM's north berm. MMM replaces fence.
May 2025	Township hires LimnoTech to investigate sedimentation impacts on Massey Lake
June 2025	Township most recent website post on data from Township managed aquifer recovery/well monitoring program which shows continuous and substantial aquifer recovery since the Court ordered a temporary injunction against dewatering
June 3, 2025	Township website post on EGLE public hearing for MMM Part 301/Part 303 permit application
June 23, 2025	Township Board holds special session on MMM settlement negotiations which concludes with unanimous vote to extend current permit for a limited time while settlement negotiations continue
June 30, 2025	Township website post on status of MMM settlement negotiations and plans for two public input sessions
July 2025	Township negotiates agreement for ongoing monthly maintenance of Earhart by the County Road Commission to be funded by MMM.
Ongoing activities	
	Daily staff gauge photos of mining pit water levels
	Residential well monitoring program
	Township consultant Stantec inspects mine on weekly basis to ensure compliance with soil erosion and sedimentation control requirements