



# Roxsand

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## Making progress at Nine Mile Park ready- mix plant

By: Jim Waddell

Yes, you guessed it. Summer has officially started, or shall I say construction season is here! The orange safety cones are everywhere, every piece of construction equipment is in sight. The smell of fresh poured concrete is in the air...my favorite smell!

Unfortunately, we have not received much rain. However, on the flip side, the weather has been favorable for paving and pouring concrete. At L. G. Everist,



*Jim Waddell*



*Adam Wesdorp and  
Amanda Sorgdrager*

Inc., the new ready-mix plant at Nine Mile Park project is under way. If you are unaware, it is located just south of our current Ace Ready-Mix Plant at the Harrisburg exit.

We've kept the batch men and drivers busy as there has been quite a bit of concrete poured in the last few weeks. Castlerock Construction and Concrete, Inc., has poured the footings and the dividing walls for the aggregate section as well as the floors for the truck wash and truck washout. This entailed approximately 1,000 yards of concrete.

The first week of July, D&G Concrete will be paving around the new Nine Mile Park Plant. We are using a new unique mix design, incorporating a quartzite sand mix and rock. We call it "Man Sand" or manufactured sand. The paving will take approximately 8000 yards. We are beyond excited for this to get underway as we quickly approach finishing the project.



*Pumping floors for the new truck wash on  
June 26, 2023*



*Emma Roth - Intern at ACE Ready-Mix*

# Happy Birthday!

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## July 1

*Kenneth Schultz*  
Dell Rapids East

*Ryan Wolcott*  
Dell Rapids Shop

*David Washburn*  
Ace Ready Mix - SF

*Teresa Gilley*  
Fort Lupton

## July 4

*John McKinney*  
Firestone



## A very large sample!

*By: Dan Rokusek / Quality Control Manager*

Riprap describes the range of rocky material placed along shorelines, bridge foundations, steep slopes, and other shorelines structures to protect from scour and erosion.

Last week at the Dell Rapids East Quarry, a sample of about 25 tons of Riprap was tested for the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) Project on the Missouri River. This was performed by the Dells East Quarry personnel, and Western Contracting Corporation.

When you think of an aggregate sample, you may think of the initial size of about 50 pounds. This could get split down to a small as 1,000 grams. What about a sample of riprap? The pictures below, illustrates how riprap is sampled and a gradation is performed.

July 5

*Robert Martin*  
Firestone

July 6

*David Farias*  
East Sioux Quarry

July 7

*Juan Vaca Garcia*  
Firestone

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*Hand Picking smaller size of riprap*

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*Weighing out smaller size for classifying under 43 lb. riprap*

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*Rigging 100 lb. and larger rock for individual weights*



*Weighing individual rock with a hanging scale*

## 2023 Quarry Days Car Show - Dell Rapids

Congrats to Troy  
Jensen / Myrl &  
Roy's Paving  
received 1st Place



Troy Jensen's 1967 Chevrolet Camaro

Have a blessed and  
wonderful 4th of July  
holiday!



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