Who needs a hole in the ground?

Why do we have limestone quarries?

Quarried natural stone is used in courthouses and churches.

In addition to blocks used for building construction, concrete made with limestone is used in driveways, sidewalks, and streets.

Crushed stone is used for railway beds and for roads.

From the support piers up to the lampposts, all the materials in these bridges were mined.

Storm-water drainage conduits are made of cast concrete.

At power plants, limestone is used in “scrubbers” to reduce air pollution.

Dams for water supply, flood control, and navigation are made of quarried stone and are repaired with concrete.

Headstones are quarried.

Many hotels and office buildings are constructed with concrete. Large gravel “rip-rap” is used for erosion control during flooding. Even the lamp post in this picture is made of cast concrete.

You do! 46,000 pounds of rock per person is used each year in the United States.

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