

BRIEF FOR PRESENTATION TO BAPE JUNE 14, 2007

BY

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TITLE: Proposed Project for establishment of an Engineered Landfill in the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood

INTRODUCTION:

1. YES Committee form letters totaling 96 full-time residents;
2. Lists of signatures totaling 92 full-time residents – 19 of these are not duplicated on the first list and, therefore, 96 plus 19 gives a grand total of 115;
3. Letters from seasonal residents (total 11);
4. Copy of letter to Warden and Mayors of the MRC Pontiac and copy of the presentation to the MRC Pontiac made on behalf of full-time residents (total 2);
5. Letters from persons either full-time residents or closely connected to this community (total 9);
6. Letters from our Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood (total 3);
7. E-mail from Ministry of Health canceling their speaker for our planned EMC public meeting; and
8. Letter from Environmental Management Committee that was posted on the appropriate bulletin board in our community.

EXPLANATION:

These persons wished to make it known to the BAPE that they are **IN FAVOUR** of the proposed Project and were informed as follows:

- Letter dated October 5, 2004, outlining the proposed Project;
- “Open House” announcement held March 12, 2005;
- Letter to all residents dated October 12, 2005;
- “The Facts” published by the promoter;
- Other public information (**environmental impact assessment and public hearing transcripts from phase 1**); and
- Research done on their own.

We have had group meetings, information sessions, researched information, a trip to a similar site in Ontario was arranged for those interested **and at the future site**, a good number of us were provided with a copy of the project information book issued by the promoter to assist us when visiting others in our community, and, if we had questions, we followed up on such requests as necessary.

We have **INTEREST** in this proposed Project for a number of reasons as stated below:

- Proper and safe disposal of our waste;
- To comply with the Quebec Residual Materials Management Policy, 1988-2008 and new landfill laws as of Jan 2006
- Financial viability of the project for our community (**2\$/t**);
- Jobs for persons in and around our community; and
- Further research that is planned in connection with the proposed project.

- New infrastructures put at our disposal to increase recuperation, recycling, and beneficial use as required by Recyc-Québec;
- The official acceptance of this project by our elected officials at both the municipal and MRC levels via the règlement de contrôle intérimaire;

PROJECT RELATED CONCERNS:

- Timeliness of the proposed implementation of the project; and
- Respect and protection of our environment at all times.

SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FOR IMPROVING THE PROJECT:

- As an indirect effect of this proposed LDC Project, it is suggested that the government consider improvement and upgrades to highway 301 so that the access to the proposed site be made safer, as well as when the trucks go through the villages along 105 and 301.
- Ensure that the selection process for members of the future watchdog committee will allow a place for all those affected by residual impacts.

POSITION RE AUTHORIZATION OF PROJECT:

The persons on whose behalf this presentation is made:

- Are **IN FAVOUR** of the Proposed Engineered Landfill for Alleyn and Cawood, and
- Want the project to be given the authorization of our Government of Quebec.

Priscilla Kublek-Latimer

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Encls. 98 pages

June 5, 2007

TO: Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement (BAPE)

I am Priscilla Kublek-Latimer, a full-time resident of Alleyn and Cawood. I live on Neil Lake.

I am speaking here today on behalf of persons whose **opinion is one of "APPROVAL"** for the proposed Engineered Landfill Project in Alleyn and Cawood. These persons provided forms, signatures, letters and other relevant documents (total of 98 pages) that I have previously forwarded to you as follows:

1. Yes Committee form letters covering 96 from full-time residents;
2. Lists of signatures (92); 19 of these are from full-time residents and are not duplicated on the first list, therefore, 96 plus 19 equals a total of 115;
3. Letters from seasonal residents (11);
4. Individual letters from full-time residents (2);
5. Letters from persons either full-time residents or closely connected to this community (9);
6. Letters from our Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood (3);
7. E-Mail from Ministry of Health cancelling their speaker for our planned EMC Public Meeting; and
8. Letter from Environmental Management Committee that was posted in the appropriate place in our community,

I would like to point out just a few other **opinions** about this group of persons involved with the "YES" committee.

- They worked quietly, diligently and honourably and indicated that they respect each persons right to their own personal opinion;
- They held information sessions, attended meetings and used other resources to secure information about the project;
- They did not go outside our community to solicit help or support;
- They did not have large fund raisers to assist them;
- They offered and were prepared to provide information about the project;

- They consulted the environmental impact study and the transcripts of the first phase of public hearings
- They visited the location of the future site;
- They familiarized themselves with the new règlement sur l'enfouissement et l'incinération des matières résiduelles of Jan.2006;
- When they had questions, they asked for, and received full support from municipal representatives and the promoter of this project;
- They feel that our local municipal representatives did the best they could considering the circumstances they were dealing with;
- They approached two ministries of the Government of Quebec to speak at a Public Meeting we were arranging in order to provide information to the public concerning questions regarding health and environment. We were advised by both that we should wait for the BAPE to have answers to our questions, therefore, they feel that all persons were treated fairly when told at our Municipal level that we should wait for the BAPE to get answers;
- They have faith in our community to work together and to be actively involved with assisting to help oversee this proposed project that, **in their opinion, should be approved**; and
- They have faith in you and our Government of Quebec to **respect our opinion** and to endeavour at all times, to protect the environment of our community and our province.

We would also appreciate that BAPE take into consideration the following:

- We are not afraid of the «NIMBY» syndrome (*not-in-my-back-yard*). We are very aware that the Outaouais' garbage must stay in the Outaouais, and that the site proposed by the promoter is one of the rare sites that respect all of the MDDEP selection criteria;
- We accept that the city of Gatineau and other MRCs will bring their garbage here, Because the 4\$/t levy will allow a large number of community projects for our municipality and our MRC, projects that would never happen without this money. We don't believe we sold our souls to the promoter but rather we believe that we are visionaries looking out for the future

- generations and that we are taking advantage of a unique opportunity our municipality would never see again;
- We do not agree with the disinformation campaign concerning the environmental impacts of this project. For example, it's not true that garbage trucks will be a serious noise and safety problem. Nobody complains about the logging trucks; the same goes for the false seagull problems, the contamination of the Picanoc river, the reduction of property values, and other repercussions completely exaggerated as if no mitigation measure were taken to reduce impacts; and
 - We cannot afford an additional 100 to 150\$ on our tax bills in order to bring our garbage to Lachute. Such an increase may not seem like much for seasonal cottage owners from Ottawa and Gatineau, however many full time residents here live on a fixed income and cannot afford to pay more.

And finally, we urge you to take the time to clearly understand the meaning and extent of this brief, all of those who have signed the IN FAVOUR letters will not be submitting individual briefs as are those who are not in favour . We respect their point of view as they must respect ours. Considering that of the impressive quantity of briefs presented to the BAPE, ours is unique and shows our solidarity, we do not believe that it is the quantity of briefs for or against that is essential but rather the strength and pertinence of the justification of this project, that we are convinced that BAPE will recognize.

Thank you/Merci

Priscilla Kublek-Latimer

Annexes au mémoire

- (1) June 2007 List of Names re Letters to BAPE (along with the corresponding number(s) attributable to each form):

Total Count = 96

June 1, 2006

I _____ am a full time resident in the Municipality of Allevn and Cawood, where my fixed address is

As a full time resident, I and the _____ members of our household give full support to Engineered Landfill project as presented by LDC Gestion et services environnementaux for our municipality

I agree to sign this document under the strict condition that it shall be submitted to the Ministère du Développement durable de l'Environnement et des Parcs and the BAPE commission only and shall not be made public at any time.

Signed _____

Date _____

- (2) List of names from letter of September 2006 total 91 and those that are NOT DUPLICATED on the above mentioned lists are named below:

Total Count = 19

GRAND TOTAL = 115

115 full-time residents of Alleyn and Cawood IN FAVOUR of the Proposed Engineered Landfill Project.

September 6, 2006

In regards to: Engineered Landfill Project, Alleyn and Cawood

RCM of Pontiac Mayors Council

Mayors of RCM Pontiac, your votes on the RCM's council are weighted based on the number of full time residents in your municipalities. Your duty on this council is to act in the best interests of the Pontiac Region and its people.

We, the people you represent, the people whose daily reality is living and trying to make a living in the Pontiac, come to you for your help, for your support.

When an Engineered landfill promoter started talking to us two years ago, we were the ones that sat down with them to make this project a good project for our community. Although all ratepayers were aware, it seemed that very few non full time residents were concerned.

Now, two years later, we find that our right to speak, our right to decide what's good for us may be taken away from us to be given to a group of people who live in Ottawa, Gatineau and a number of other places outside Pontiac. People who despite strict new laws and regulations have chosen to believe lies, deceit and intimidation from a group with little ties to the Pontiac if any.

We the full time residents of the Pontiac, of Alleyn and Cawood want this project. If it goes to a referendum we will loose it, we will be letting outside people decide what's good for us, people who have nothing to gain from jobs created in the Pontiac, people who have little to gain from the financial advantages to our municipality, to our region, people who can afford the tax increases that we cannot.

In a province where environmental laws are amongst the most stringent in north America, the environmental concerns are only an excuse, a way to scare the people that can't be intimidated.

A copy of this statement is submitted to you along with the signatures of the majority of Alleyn and Cawood's 156 full time residents, the people whose daily reality is living in the Pontiac, people whose families founded our municipality.

Please don't let us down, support the people you represent

Thank you,
The full time residents of Alleyn and Cawood

Le 6 septembre 2006

Re: Projet de Lieu d'Enfouissement Technique, Alleyn et Cawood

Conseil des Maires de la MRC de Pontiac

Aux maires de la MRC de Pontiac,

Le poids de vos votes sur le conseil de la MRC est basé sur le nombre de résidents permanents dans vos municipalités. Votre devoir sur ce conseil est d'agir dans l'intérêt de la région du Pontiac et de ses résidents.

Nous, les personnes que vous représentez, les personnes dont la réalité quotidienne est de vivre et d'essayer de gagner notre vie dans le Pontiac, venons à vous pour demander votre aide et votre appui.

Lorsque le promoteur du Lieu d'Enfouissement Technique a débuté ses discussions avec les résidents il y a deux ans, c'est nous qui avons pris le temps, avec lui, d'en faire un bon projet pour notre communauté. Malgré que tous les payeurs de taxes ont été informés, il semble que très peu de saisonniers se sentaient concernés.

Maintenant, deux années plus tard, nous découvrons que notre droit de parole, notre droit de décision quant à ce qui est bon pour nous, nous sera enlevé pour être remis à un groupe de personnes qui habitent Ottawa, Gatineau et à plein d'autres endroits à l'extérieur du Pontiac. Des personnes qui, malgré des lois et règlements parmi les plus contraignants, ont choisi de se soumettre aux mensonges, aux tromperies et à l'intimidation d'un groupe qui n'a pas ou peu de liens avec le Pontiac.

Nous, les résidents permanents du Pontiac, de Alleyn et Cawood, voulons ce projet. Si un référendum est permis, nous allons laisser des gens de l'extérieur décider ce qui est bon pour nous, des gens qui n'ont rien à gagner par les emplois créés dans le Pontiac, des gens qui ont peu à gagner par les avantages financiers offerts à notre municipalité, à notre région, des gens qui peuvent se permettre les augmentations de taxes que nous ne pouvons pas.

Dans une province où les lois et règlements environnementaux sont parmi les plus contraignants en Amérique du nord, les inquiétudes environnementales ne sont qu'une excuse, une façon de faire peur aux gens qu'on ne peut pas intimider.

Une copie de cette déclaration vous est soumise avec les signatures de la majorité des 156 résidents permanents de Alleyn et Cawood, les gens dont la réalité quotidienne est de vivre dans le Pontiac, les gens dont les familles ont fondé notre municipalité.

S'il vous plaît, ne nous laissez pas tomber, appuyez les gens que vous représentez.

Merci

Les résidents permanents de Alleyn et Cawood

(3) Letters from seasonal residents as follows:

Total = 11

- (4) Additional letters and/or presentation of permanent residents as listed below:

Aug. 28, 2006 letter to Warden and Mayors of the MRC Pontiac from Priscilla Latimer;

Sep. 25, 2006 presentation at MRC Pontiac to Warden and Mayors of the Pontiac from Odette Châteauvert on behalf of permanent residents;

Aug. 28, 2006

Dear Warden and Mayors of the MRC Pontiac:

As you are having meetings and discussions regarding the Proposed Engineered Landfill Site for Alleyn and Cawood, listed below are some very important and critical points for you to consider. Even though this letter may appear to be lengthy, please take the time involved to give this respect and consideration in the decision making that can take place at your level that will have an effect on the proposal referred to above.

1. I am a full time resident property owner here in Alleyn and Cawood. My husband and I purchased the property 24 years ago and turned it into a full time residence in mid 1990's.
2. We have in the past, and still are, involved with the local Recreation Association, Canada Day Events, Annual Mud Run, Fishing Derby's, Christmas Carolling and presentation with gift trays filled with holiday treats for our seniors and shut-ins. We attend meetings of Council, use the library, go to RA meetings, etc. Alan is a member of the local Bear's Den Club.
3. We look forward eagerly to Alan's nearing retirement as of Nov. 30th this year and in long term plans we have been able, because of the possibilities of future monies for our community, to look forward to the possibility of a Retirement Unit being built here, the possibility of a small amateur golf shooting range and later a 9 hole course for the betterment of exercise facilities for both the young and the old.
4. We are proud to listen to elders raised here for generations who are looking forward to the proposed site because it will provide much needed employment within our community for their grandchildren.
5. We also look forward to the possibility of a new restaurant near the site entrance on Highway 301 and others look forward to the much needed employment this could mean for them.
6. We look forward to the possibility of improved roads and the possibility of persons relocating to this community to build homes and live full time here.

Other points to consider:

1. This community has been bombarded with persons who DO NOT RESIDE HERE, EITHER FULL OR PARTTIME. Unfortunately they identify themselves

as being from Danford Lake WHEN IN ACTUAL FACT, they are cottagers on Danford Lake in Kazabazua, and therefore, not even connected with Alleyn and Cawood or the Pontiac.

2. These persons DO NOT help out with the work involved in setting up and planning our community events. They DO NOT help on the day of events and DO NOT even partake in the events or show up that day.
3. A lot of these outsiders have high paying employment in the city, bring all their supplies up here from the city and are basically UNTOUCHED by the hard economic realities that effect our full time residents.
4. MOST OF THEIR FOLLOWERS (ABOUT 90%) have only been fed the one-sided information and half-truths. Unfortunately because they are 90% part-time persons, they are not concerned with the realities of living here that the full time residents have to bear.
5. I know first hand that some of the seniors and shut-ins feel intimidated by the bombardment of these outsiders and, therefore, are not voicing they desire to have the PROPOSED ENGINEERED LANDFILE SITE located here.

SURELY YOU PERSONS OWE A RESPONSIBILITY to these persons and all of us full time residents. The elders of our community and the other communities in the Pontiac MRC, who have been the backbone of most local events, committees, community suppers, etc., SHOULD HAVE A STRONG VOICE OF SUPPORT FROM YOU, AND SHOULD NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT NUMBERS OF VOTES being the controlling factor here.

YOU HAVE THE POWER AMONG YOURSELVES, ALONG WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF QUEBEC, to solve this matter for us and to our benefit. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT AND GIVE US THE RESPECT TAND HELP HAT WE DESERVE.

I, myself, and a few others locally have already in receipt of a number of letters of Agreement with this proposal and are currently working behind the scenes to get more of them before the BAPE so that they can be presented there to show the true feelings of the full-time residents.

Thank you,


Priscilla A. Latimer

September 25, 2006

M. McCrank Warden & ALL MAYORS for the Pontiac

Good Evening! I am Odette Châteauvert and I represent the permanent residents that are in favour of the Engineered Landfill Project.

The reason you have not seen or heard from a lot of us in the past can only be described by the word "FEAR" (LA PEUR)! Here are the reasons for this:

- Cottage being burnt down;
- Councillor's van being vandalized;
- Letters posted publicly defaming people's character and dragging their names into the mud (disgusting);
- Internet threats;
- Phone threats;
- Harrassment;
- Public confrontations;
- Etc.

With all those things happening, DO YOU THINK the residents want to come out publicly? We needed additional police protection because of all this.

It's nice to make a campaign but we feel that some of the information spread around was not always right and was often misleading. Example: the newspaper recently indicated over 4,000 signatures against the project.

- Were all those people at the meeting when the full project was explained in detail?
- Do they understand the needs of our municipalities? I doubt it!
- Where do these 4,000 come from – certainly not Alleyn and Cawood.

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The project proposed is the most modern and up-to-date for now AND with research and advancement this technology will improve in 10 to 20 years BUT, IT'S NOW THAT WE NEED A SOLUTION.

On a personal level, because I lived close to Lachute, I can address some of the concerns of our residents such as development, water, and economic value of properties.

Development - as for development – Walmart was not afraid to build a store in Lachute.

Water – Having houses close to the Kazabazua River and knowing what went into that river for years and years, I would be afraid to drink water from the wells. People mentioned that we will have to drink bottled water but in Lachute there is a company close to their dump that bottles water for various companies on the market today.

Property Values – I still have relatives living in Lachute and I know for a fact that when my brother-in-law sold his house he received top dollar value for this property. With all the fears that have been spread around, I think that even having a Landfill here and the example I've given indicates that we would still have a good life style.

Talking about life style, it would be nice to have extra money to improve our community - improved roads, tourist attractions, improvements to our new park, and even dreams of a new senior citizen's home.

When considering pick up, transport, and deposit of our waste elsewhere, along with the increased cost of the coming recycling, CAN OUR RESIDENTS of the Pontiac, the people that you represent, afford all those extra expenses?

In our village do you see properties worth over \$200,000.00 – NO – but go around a few lakes and see how many there are AT AND ABOVE this dollar value. There is your answer – it is not everybody that will be able to afford the additional costs.

What extra cost have we, the taxpayers, had to incur so far because of this for lawyer's fees and additional administrative costs to our municipality? ARE THESE OUTSIDERS sharing these additional expenses with us? NO! Therefore why should we be having outsiders deciding what TO DO OR NOT TO DO with the Project?

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What do these outsiders bring to our community? When we need volunteer help, fundraising, planning and organizing for our community events, DO YOU SEE THESE PEOPLE? NO!

In finalizing, I wish to ask you, the Mayors of the MRC for the Pontiac,

- where does your largest responsibility lie,
- with the full time residents of Alleyn and Cawood and all of the Pontiac region OR
- with the outsiders who have organised the loudest protests?

I also wish to thank Mayor Squitte for his continuous hard work on our behalf and say – KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, AND thank you to you all for giving us this opportunity to express ourselves.

We trust this will get our point across and there will NOT be a need to return and repeat ourselves.

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(5) Individual letters or eMails from persons either full-time residents or having a strong family connection to our community indicating their comments regarding the Proposed Engineered Landfill Project in Alleyn and Cawood as listed below:

Spring, 2006	article by Adam Miljour;
Sep. 19, 2006	eMail from Tracey Fleming, owner of small business in Alleyn and Cawood;
Sep. 19, 2006	Janice Wilson, employed in Alleyn and Cawood;
Sep. 25, 2006	S. McConnery, small business operator in Alleyn And Cawood;
May 14, 2007	Lana Merrifield, taxpayer, Alleyn and Cawood;
May 14, 2007	Shelly Merrifield, Taxpayer, Alleyn and Cawood;
May 14, 2007	Bill Merrifield and Jeanette Miljour
May 18, 2007	W. G. Merrifield, Kazabazua full-time resident;
May 25, 2007	Harold Emery, full-time resident and taxpayer, Alleyn and Cawood

My name is Adam Miljour and I'm a 22 years old. Although my house is located outside of the actual village, my entire childhood has been spent within the village limits and my parents are land owners in Danford as well. My concern is that people are not taking the time to properly inform themselves about the facts of the landfill.

It seems to me that everybody I have talked to has it set in their mind that this landfill will have nothing but negative effects. Have they taken the time to walk through any of the forested areas around this area? If they did they would soon realize that there is a number of places where people have been throwing their garbage for years. What about where we dump our garbage now? Do they think that this does not have a negative effect? Do you think that this garbage simply disappears when it is covered up?

I realize that there will be many communities who will be sending us their garbage but it won't simply be thrown in the ground and covered up. This will be one of the most technologically advanced dumps ever. They have figured out ways to make these dumps safe. There will be no burning of the garbage, no tires and the garbage will be sorted before it even gets here. How safe could it be you ask? Safe enough that one of these landfills can be placed just 300 meters from a lake and only 150 meters from a public park. They have figured out ways to break down this garbage in a fraction of the time.

What about the job opportunities that will become available? The village is half dying as it is. We only have a handful of businesses in the entire community and only about ten people are employed by them anyway. Nobody is going to move to a village that isn't growing and this landfill will allow us to grow. As it is I would not think of coming here to live and raise a family. Danford is going to die if we don't do something.

Many people around here are worried about the water and the flora and fauna around the village, but I'd be a hell of a lot more worried about the thousands of small town dumps that continue to throw their garbage in the ground. We as a people are going to have to start to think about the damage that has already been done. Finally some people have realized that this problem needs to be addressed, and this landfill will do just that. It will eliminate all of the small dumps within 100 kms of here that are causing far more damage than anybody could even imagine. If everyone is so worried about the environment, start thinking about it as a country, not a community.

Furthermore many other communities are beginning to realize the benefits of these landfill sites and are just waiting for us to say no so they can jump on the opportunity to undergo their own landfill project. If that is the case Danford will simply continue it's downward spiral. My problem is not with the people who have done the research and made an informed decision, it's with the rest of the ignorant people who are just going along with everyone else. Please take the time, go to the meetings, and make up your own mind.

denis rouleau

From:
To: <rouleau.denis@videotron.ca>
Sent: September 19, 2006 6:36 AM
Subject: Allyn Cawood Landfill

Good Morning Denis....

I thought I would take some time and acknowledge your efforts to help our small community. Residents in this area have never experienced or been exposed to the hustle and bustle of growth and change that has taken place in larger economic cities. However their opposition is not supported by all of the rate payers and or residents. The proposed landfill for our area is a huge opportunity for us. And many see it as just that, A great opportunity. We did not feel the need to speak up earlier in this process as we assumed you would be our voice and Champion in bringing the landfill to our area. The landfill will bring growth to our communittee in the areas of employment as well as revenue. You have many supporters and I wanted to take the time to let you know that....

I have property in Danford village and hope to continue to grow my small business and am looking forward to the economic advantages the landfill will bring. We need something here to kick start our economy and hopefully the landfill will be just the beginning. As the site is located approx 12 KM from the center of the village is should not hinder any business opportunities in the village. Given the amount of existing logger trucks through our village a couple more will not be noticed.

Wishing you success in your endeavour to bring the Engineered Landfill to Allyn Cawood.....

Tracey Fleming

To the Mayors of the MRC Pontiac:

As a former forty year resident of Danford Lake, I was very excited to hear about the possibilities of an "Engineered Landfill Site" in the municipality of Alleyn Caywood. The possibilities of spin off businesses are phenomenal. My plan was to move back to the community of Danford and start my own business. However it has come to my attention that the MRC may not change the zoning by-laws to accommodate the landfill site. What a shame! I'm also concerned that a decision on the go ahead of this project will rely on a referendum. If I understand correctly the taxpayers who include local residents and cottage/landowners will all get to vote. It is a shame that the cottagers, who far out number the full time residents in Alleyn Caywood can make decisions on what they think is right for our municipality. The majority of local residents go back at least five or six generations, and should not lose such an opportunity to bring jobs and business possibilities to our area. Roads will be improved, and the chances of the Quebec government taking more of an interest in our region of Quebec will probably improve. As we all know, Gatineau and Pontiac have been neglected for years.

If the cottagers who reside only five or six weeks a year think they can dictate what is best for the municipality, then full time residents basically have no rights at all in the decision making process. Cottagers go back to living in other parts of Quebec and Ontario and forget about the needs of the people who live here full time.

The concerns of cottagers are not well warranted . They are afraid of the changes that will be made to their so-called piece of mind and the potential danger to the environment. Most of these people give little thought to the safety of the Engineered Landfill Site and to the positive change in the quality of living of the full time residents.

In the event that the Landfill Site does not become a reality, then I believe that the Municipality of Alleyn and Caywood will no longer exist. It will become a part of Litchfield or some other municipality and the people of this area will be highly insulted that generations of local families will have lost their roots. Not to mention the increase of taxes across the board. People who have lived in this area for years will no longer be able to afford to live here.

Sincerely,

Janice Wilson

September 25, 2006

MRC de Pontiac
Campbell's Bay, QC

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

I am writing to this Council to try and show that this Businessperson is excited about the prospect of the Landfill Site in our Municipality.

As a newly started restaurant in Danford Lake, I would applaud any influx of business that the area could generate. As the summer cottage season is drawing to a close; and the forestry industry in such a mess, there is going to be a lot of people out of work. This area is totally dependent in forestry and tourism, and it is high time to try and bring in other lines of business to take the stress off the two main economic dependencies that we now have to draw on.

This Landfill Project is certainly one way to get things moving in our municipality and also benefit other surrounding areas. It may provide employment in other areas that have nothing to do with this project, but it will certainly develop into a trickle down effect for the businesses that are already established and bring in new business.

It is time for this area to work together to make our community prosperous and try to bolster some kind of economic development for the future.

Yours truly,


S. McConnery

May 14, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a taxpayer in Alleyn and Cawood and as such I would like to put forth my support for an engineered landfill which is currently under BAPE review.

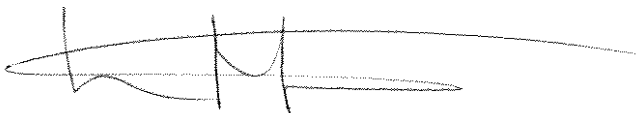
It is a fact that in an ideal world, no person would have to consider a landfill site in their municipality but having said that, it is also a fact that the human race produces large amounts of garbage in their day to day lives. Each and every individual needs to do their best to try and produce as little garbage as possible but there will always be waste and therefore we have to find someplace to put that waste. We have realized that our old methods of digging a hole and putting our garbage in the ground with no protection at all or burning it so that the toxins are sent into the air is not acceptable anymore and someone needs to take responsibility and action by finding alternative methods to deal with our waste.

I believe that the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood, Mr. Denis Rouleau and Cohen and Cohen have found the best possible solution at this time for our waste products. The Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood are taking responsibility and stepping forward where no others are willing. An engineered landfill where the waste is disposed of in a controlled and monitored environment, unlike our current practices, is the first step in solving our garbage crisis and indeed the only viable solution at this time.

I have heard arguments saying that plasma gasification is a better solution but have not heard a solution on how to pay for this or if indeed this is an approved process in Quebec. I have heard arguments about the increased traffic that this landfill will produce but not the fact that given the amount of waste needed to sustain a plasma burning operation, truck traffic would be larger yet again than that of an engineered landfill. I have also heard arguments that an engineered landfill does not prevent leachate but have not heard any arguments against our current practices of digging holes that have no protection whatsoever or burning which sends toxins into the air. I have heard arguments that an engineered landfill will attract seagulls, rats and bears but does not our present landfills attract these? Finally, I have heard that this landfill will not produce as many jobs for the area as was stated but I argue that even the production of one or two jobs is better than none in this time when the forestry industry, one of the main employment choices in this area, is dying out.

It is time that we as human beings take responsibility for our waste products and I believe that the engineered landfill that is proposed for Alleyn and Cawood is a first step and the best possible solution at this time to deal with our current garbage crisis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lana Merrifield', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lana Merrifield
Taxpayer
Alleyn and Cawood

May 14, 2007

To Whom It May Concern;

I am a rate payer in Alleyn and Cawood and would like to submit this letter in support of an Engineered Landfill, which is currently under BAPE review.

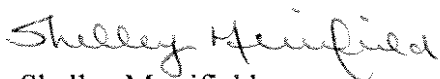
I have lived in the Danford Lake area permanently since 1983 but have been visiting the area since 1964 and have always considered it my home. Since moving to Danford Lake in 1983, I have had to commute approximately 180 kilometres to Ottawa and back home every day, in order to work. I chose to commute this distance, rather than live closer to the city, because of the quality of life here. I wanted to raise my children where they could enjoy a certain amount of freedom that cities do not allow. I have two sons, one 20 years old (Algonquin College) and the other 16 years old (St. Michael's High School), and I am faced with the certainty that they will not make their homes in Danford Lake, or the surrounding area because there are no job opportunities for them. Over the years, most of our 'young' people have left the area in search of work. Most end up making their homes in Ottawa/Hull because it is easier to find work there. Few end up coming back to stay. There are no jobs!

Small villages, like Danford Lake, have been declining steadily over the past years. I feel that the lack of jobs is one of the main reasons for this. People cannot stay where there is no work. I realize that this proposed Engineered Landfill may only create a handful of full or part-time jobs, but in a community as small as Danford Lake, and even other surrounding villages, this would be an opportunity to keep some of our youth here. Right now, Danford Lake only has a handful of businesses where there are opportunities for employment and most of them are small, one or two man operations, with no employment opportunities for the public.

While nobody truly wants any kind of landfill in their area, it remains that we produce huge quantities of garbage every day, and it has to go somewhere. Our old method of putting our garbage in a hole in the ground and burning it is no longer acceptable. It should not be! I believe that an Engineered Landfill where the waste is disposed of in a controlled environment is the best possible solution for our garbage problem, at this time. I have heard arguments about the increased traffic that this landfill will produce and because I live directly on Route 301, this is a huge concern to me personally. I believe the developers when they say that the majority of the truck traffic will be during the week, Monday to Friday, and during regular business hours. Therefore, I believe that this shouldn't be too much of an inconvenience to me or anyone else. While not a perfect situation, what are our other choices? Plasma Gasification may be a better solution but how would we pay for this?

It is time that we take responsibility for our garbage and I believe that the Engineered Landfill that is proposed for Alleyn and Cawood is the best possible solution to deal with the current garbage crisis, at this time.

Sincerely,


Shelley Merrifield
Taxpayer, Alleyn and Cawood

May 14, 2007.

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To whom it may concern.

This letter is concerning the proposed Engineered Land Fill Site to be constructed in the Municipality of Alton & Cawood, approximately 8 kms from the village of Danford Lake.

My wife was born & raised in this municipality and her heart & soul remain there. We are not residents or rate payers of this municipality but live ~~permanently~~ permanently in the adjoining municipality of Kazabazua where most of the opponents (Cottagers) reside.

I visited one of these Engineered Land Fill Sites at Moose Creek in Ontario and was quite impressed as there was ~~not~~ little or no smell until you got quite close to the site, there were very few birds (Sea Gulls) in site and the leachate after going thru its process was being used for irrigation and ~~could~~ was clean enough to be discharged into the creek which runs thru the site. I should also mention that this Land Fill site is right along highway 417 and very few people realize it is there.

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My wife & I truly believe this project to be a good thing for the municipality as it would probably provide a few good jobs (work around Danford is scarce), it would ensure property taxes remain low and the municipality would receive ~~substantial~~ substantial funds based on the amount of garbage received.

A recent petition indicated that the majority of permanent residents of the municipality wanted this project ~~built~~ built.

In conclusion we believe that if this proposed project is constructed properly, managed according to all rules & regulations and supervised in a responsible way it would be a win-win situation for the village.

Bill Merrifield & Jeannette Miljour

May 18th, 2007

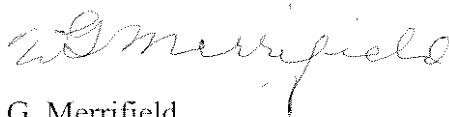
To Whom It May Concern:

As a 90 year old man who has either visited, a cottager for years, and now a longtime permanent resident for the past 30 years, I have always seen an insignificant amount of employment in this area. We certainly have some people who drive to town, or make their own little businesses, but on the whole, we have nothing to keep young people here due to this problem.

I have talked to both sides of this important issue, read all the documentation, and have even talked to my daughter in Alberta regarding the one in that is in operation in that province, and have come to the conclusion that is project is a good positive thing.

We all create garbage; it has to go somewhere; and if we can regulate it the project with the proper environmental provisions, I am all for it. Let's get it started NOW!

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W.G. Merrifield".

W.G. Merrifield

May 25, 2007

TO : BAPE

Re : Proposed Project for Engineered Landfill Project in Alleyn and Cawood

I am a full-time resident in Danford Lake. I was raised in and have resided here for over 50 years and I am currently employed in the Village.

I am a member of the Mont O'Brien Association and am on the Board of this Association. At our last meeting there were some new board members elected. I am still on the board. The Coalition members, who are also members of Mont O'Brien, held a vote against the Proposed Project BUT I wish to inform you that **I am IN FAVOUR of the above noted project.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Emery', written in a cursive style.

Harold Emery

- (6) Letters from our Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood advising us about the proposed Project and planned information sessions for all as listed below:

Oct. 5, 2004 Outlining the proposed project;

Open House to be held Mar. 12, 2005

Oct. 12, 2005 Notice of Information Meeting

Thank you for your kind consideration of these documents.

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Alleyn and Cawood, October 5, 2004

Fellow residents of Alleyn and Cawood, as you may be aware, the introduction of a new provincial law will require us to change certain habits with respect to waste collection and recycling in general. It may also be of no surprise to you that we will be paying for these new services. The objectives however are just, the safeguard and preservation of our health and of our environment.

There is a second component to this law project that you may not be familiar with. It deals with the disposal of residual waste after recycling. All facilities in Quebec will be required to comply with the new law within a set timeframe. In fact, several landfills will be required to cease their operations if they are unable or unwilling to comply with new environmental regulations (this does not apply to trench landfills, the goal for these is that they all be shut down, including our trench landfill site).

These new regulations will require the installation of health and environmental safety features (bottom liners, leachate and gas collectors, etc...) and the implementation of monitoring programs (surface water, ground water) in order to identify environmental hazards before they become disasters. The goal is clear... safe landfills in our province. The means to achieve this goal is the creation of Engineered landfills and the closure of Non Engineered landfills.

The new regulations will mean substantial investments. These costs will be passed along to us, the end users. Therefore the residual waste we presently export outside our region will cost more to dispose of.

This leads to the next point, exporting residual waste outside of a region. One of the clearly stated goals of the new law project is that all regions be self sufficient in terms of disposal, residual waste generated by a region should be disposed of within the region. There are presently no Engineered landfills in the Outaouais.

As mentioned earlier, the law project deals with trench landfills also. The ultimate goal is the closure of all trench landfills, which includes the dump situated in our Municipality. Therefore, this means that waste that is sent there should be sent to an Engineered landfill, which means a cost increase. The financial advantage by having this trench landfill would then be lost.

Trench landfill operators such as the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood will be required to establish a monitoring program for surface water and ground water quality. This will involve the installation of several monitoring wells and recurring engineering and testing costs. The duration of this monitoring program will be set by law for the life of the landfill plus 30 years after it's closure.

What if initial testing shows that the site is already contaminated and that contaminated groundwater is migrating to adjacent properties? A likely possibility given that this site, as is the case with the majority of trench landfills in the province, is a natural attenuation site, that is, it contains no health and environmental safeguards. In fact, this site is situated on a sand and gravel property, which is ideal for contaminants to leach and migrate into the underlying soil and groundwater.

Either way, we pay again, only for this one, nobody knows how much yet. The once upon a time "asset" that has saved us money in the past may come back to bite us, now it may be a major liability.

With a clear understanding that all of the above stated costs imposed by the province would have to be recovered through substantial municipal tax increases, our municipal council went to work. Obviously, the consensus was that municipal rate payers have taken enough rate increases recently, a solution was needed in order to offset these costs.

Despite the fact that the objectives set by the law project are expensive, they are just, we must protect our health and our environment. Perhaps solutions to offsetting costs could be found within the law itself? Along with new ways of doing things we may find an opportunity.

In order to understand and evaluate the various options, council decided to initiate discussions with an environmental management company, LDC Management and Environmental Services.

LDC proposed an Engineered landfill project. A facility that will set the pace for health and environmental safety and consciousness in Québec, an example to follow for the rest of the province.

The project would involve the placement of two impermeable liners and one clay layer at the bottom of the filling area, this seal would prevent all leachate generated from coming in contact with the underlying soil. In fact, it would contain and direct these liquids to a leachate collection system, where once collected, they are treated to meet guideline quality then discharged accordingly. Once each cell (individual, isolated filling areas) reaches it's maximum capacity, a top liner is placed over the area after a gas collection system is installed. The gas collection system is designed to collect CO gases produced by the breakdown of landfilled material, these gases may then be used as fuel and put to beneficial use. The top liner, once welded to the bottom liner would seal the cell.

Waste which is presently buried in our trench landfill would be excavated and placed into the engineered site, by doing so, the source of contamination that transformed this site into a major liability would be removed.

The end result is the closure and clean up of one trench landfill and the creation of one Engineered landfill.

Furthermore, the law will require all Engineered landfill operators to facilitate the creation of a committee to oversee compliance with rules, laws and regulations. This requirement would provide the citizens of Alleyn and Cawood with much more say and authority with a Engineered site than it presently has with the existing trench landfill.

It is our provincial government's goal to provide us with a cleaner and safer environment. It is our municipal government's goal to ease the financial impacts that the provincial objectives bring as well as our duty to participate in achieving these objectives.

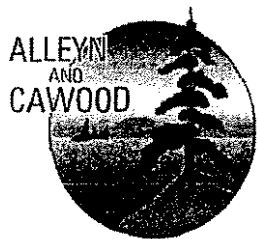
Council recognizes that the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood is neither a landfill developer or a Engineered landfill operator. To assist us in moving this project forward, council has endorsed the association with LDC to provide the technical expertise and financial capabilities to carry the project through the approvals process, the development phase and day to day operations. The Municipality's expectations in return are;

- The site be operated with the greatest respect for the health and environment of Alleyn and Cawood and it's residents.
- The proposed site, at closure, will be safer for the health and environment of Alleyn and Cawood and it's residents than the existing trench landfill site at closure.
- The proposed site be financially beneficial to the Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood and it's residents.
- Jobs created be available to local residents first.

The above brief description of the project is meant to inform you, the residents, of the progress of the project. Should you have questions or concerns, please accept our invitation to a public information meeting held at 1:00 p.m. on October 16, at the Bethany Hall situated on Harrison Road. Please note that this meeting is not part of the certification process, it is being held simply to keep the population informed. The project, still at its conceptual stage, would be presented to the public in a more formal fashion once all of the variables are known. Given the Municipality's expectations, public acceptability is a very important element to the project.

Sincerely,

Joseph Squitti
Mayor



Municipalité d'Alleyn et Cawood *Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood*

To all residents of Alleyn and Cawood

The Danford Lake Environmental Management Committee (DLEMC) invites you to an "Open House" to be held on March 12, 2005 between the hours of 1:00pm and 4:00pm at the Bethany Hall on Harrison Rd.

On going presentations of the Municipality's environmental aspirations and of the proposed Engineered Landfill project will be shown. A completed "Notice of Project" form for the project will also be available for comment, it contains more detail on the project. The notice is expected to be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment of Quebec in the next few weeks.

Available to help you get answers to your questions, you will find several committee members, municipal council representation, the project promoter and the consultants who will be completing the environmental impact study.

Your comments and questions are absolutely encouraged.

Hope to see you there.

DLEMC

P.S. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided.

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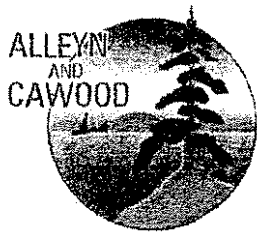
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Municipalité d'Alleyn et Cawood *Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood*

October 12, 2005

To all residents

Subject: Danford Lake Engineered Landfill Project

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One year ago, in October of 2004, all ratepayers in Alleyn and Cawood received from the municipality, an information leaflet containing a brief description of new environmental laws, a possible engineered landfill project and an invitation to a public information meeting where you could obtain more details on this project and voice your questions and concerns. With the general consensus of those who attended and the support of the municipal council, the promoter proceeded with the project.

Now, one year later and approximately half way through the process (time wise), much has happened and we the Municipality, the Danford Lake Environmental Management Committee and the promoter wish to update you.

The Environmental Impact Study is near completion and is expected to be submitted in early to mid November of this year. This study is certainly one of the most important documents in the process. Given its importance, we wish to present the study and consult with the community prior to submitting it.

The presentation will take place at the Bethany Hall at 33 Harrison Road on Saturday October 29 at 1:30 pm. A half hour English and half hour French presentation will summarize the 22 individual studies completed. After these presentations, the engineering team will be available to provide more detail on individual studies and to record specific technical concerns. Council and Environmental Management Committee representation will also be available to record social concerns.

After, all concerns brought out by the community shall be included and dealt with in the Environmental Impact Study prior to being submitted.

For those of you who cannot attend, all available information will soon be found on the project website at « cievo.ca ».

Respectfully,

Joseph Squitti, Mayor
Municipality of Alleyn and Cawood

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Sent: April 4, 2006 12:53 PM
Subject: Environnemental Management Committee - Alleyn & Cawood Mun.

Bonjour Madame,

Anouk brought your invitation to our attention and I'm afraid we cannot take part in your meeting next sunday.

I would be the one who would meet your committee, but I would have to take more preparation time to be in measure to give you valid and usefull informations on the subject. I would also need more time to get more precise informations on this specific projet.

We will eventually give an advice on this project and be ready to meet you before the BAPE's hearing (audience)... but meanwhile, if you can provide us your main questions, we will try and give you access to the informations you are looking for.

Robert Plante

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ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

April 5th, 2006

Priscilla A. Kublek
Secretary, Environment Management Committee

Danford Lake, Québec
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Dear Ms. Kublek-Latimer,

Due to recent events and awaiting the approval or non-approval of the plan for the Engineered Landfill Site, the Environmental Management Committee will no longer be holding meetings, discussions or research in this area. They will however, continue to be working towards International Standards Organization (ISO) certification for the Municipality.

Yours sincerely,



M. Pierre Lafleur
President

c.c. EMC Members
Municipal Representative, Carl Mayer
LDC, Denis Rouleau