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Re: Peach Creek Environmental Park (PCEP) Proposed Landfill Permit Application No. Permit #2406

I am writing to request that the permit for Peach Creek EP Landfill MSW No 2406 be denied. There are four main concerns that form the basis for my comments.

1. If PCEP were to encounter financial challenges or worse, forced into an unexpected bankruptcy, (hopefully not from an environmental issue) the access road owner is PC II; therefore, the TCEQ needs access to the bankrupt LF, but the TCEQ cannot access because the PCE permit boundary is landlocked. Surely, the TCEQ can get into the permit area to monitor/manage any inherited environmental issues that might arise? Recall that the same Mississippi investors that own PC II, also own PCEP.
2. The natural drainage from Wood Duck Farm begins in the Sam Houston National Forest on the east and travels across the mid part of the farm in an east to west-direction; heavy rainwater flows from two different intervals into a floodplain creek that flows north to south just outside the western fence; this can be seen on the PC II property, see map. This creek spans perhaps 1500-2000 feet to the south and is undeniably situated within the 2010 FEMA floodplain. Please be aware that the property owned by PC II for the proposed access road is only 100 feet wide, not much room for detention ponds, and runs/flows north to south within the FEMA floodplain. The Army Corp of Engineers even said that removing trees for the access road within the known floodplain path will likely increase flood water velocity.
3. Local access road to landfill currently is in a floodplain, the road has a NO weight limits and will not hold up to garbage trucks constantly traveling the road.
4. No garbage or hazardous leachate filled trucks should be traveling through the local neighborhoods where children are playing. Some truck traffic estimates are as high as 500 per day. Only state highways should be used.

I applaud the actions of TCEQ for protecting our families and environment. I strongly request that you take the next logical step and reject this current Application No. MSW-2406.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

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Below are community concerns as to why a landfill built between the FEMA 100 year floodplain and the Sam Houston National Forest is irresponsible:

- Statistics show over 8,200 fires occur each year from landfills; fires and forests are not a good mix
- Possible option of covering LF with toxic soils derived from Hazardous Waste Superfund sites.
- Methane gas, a byproduct of a MSW LF, is known to migrate underground impacting forest land
- A 12 ft strata of porous gravel is 20 ft beneath the LF; a liner leak will contaminate ground water
- The Sam Houston NF boundary will be approx. 200 ft from the Leachate collection tanks
- The LF is proposed is to be built within 100 ft of the FEMA 100-year floodplain
- The proposed LF Access road path will span through approx. 700 ft of the FEMA floodplain
- Approx. 40,000-100,000 gals per day of leachate will be produced & trucked out daily
- LF is requesting permission to discharge leachate into nearby Jayhawker creek when necessary
- Traffic estimates of 250-500 garbage trucks per day entering/exiting the LF
- Subject access road route is to travel amongst school bus pickups through a family neighborhood

TCEQ's Office of the Chief Clerk will facilitate an online public meeting on the PC-II, LLC's proposed Municipal Solid Waste Permit No. 2406, which authorizes a new MSW Type I Landfill located approximately six miles northwest of the intersection of US 59 and Business SH 105, in San Jacinto County, Texas. Info below:

- Sep 28, 2021, Tuesday from 07:00 PM
- Online via [www.gotomeeting.com/webinar/join-webinar](http://www.gotomeeting.com/webinar/join-webinar).
- **Contact Name** [pep@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:pep@tceq.texas.gov)
- **Contact Phone** 800-687-4040

Public comments will be open through the Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Public Meeting date. Consider sending a comment to the TCEQ and conveying your concerns to our State elected officials:

Senator Robert Nichols (512) 463-0103 (TEL) email [angus.lupton@senate.texas.gov](mailto:angus.lupton@senate.texas.gov)

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