

Odenton, MD 21113  
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Governor Wes Moore  
100 State Circle  
Annapolis, MD 21401-1925

Re: Help us stop construction of the **Chesapeake Terrace Rubble Landfill (CTRL) in Odenton, MD.**

Dear Governor Moore:

As our brand-new Governor, with fresh eyes on the needs of our State, you can help me and my community stop the proposed construction of a large rubble landfill (the CTRL) immediately adjacent to the Two Rivers development in Odenton.

I am a resident of the Two Rivers residential development. The development presently has about 1800 homes. When construction is completed in 2025, there will be almost 2100 homes. Some of the homes in Two Rivers are literally next door to the CTRL, a mere 250 feet away. All of the homes within Two Rivers are within two miles of the proposed massive CTRL. Also, ALL HOMES in Two Rivers are accessible by only one narrow country road (Conway Rd) that would be slated for hundreds of 40- ton waste disposal trucks each day.

The CTRL developer, National Waste Managers, Inc. (NWM) first proposed this rubble landfill over 35 years ago, in 1988. Local residents and Anne Arundel County (AAC) have been trying to stop this project ever since.

We need your help in two ways:

First, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) is apparently close to issuing a state Refuse Disposal Permit for the CTRL. MDE has scheduled a Phase V Public Hearing for February 23rd in Annapolis. Although CTRL is contrary to the public interest, it appears that Maryland's environmental laws and court decisions will allow MDE to issue the state environmental permit, despite the obvious risks to the safety of the nearby residents. MDE failed to consider many aspects of the proposal that violate public safety, too many to list here. One example is that MDE has apparently accepted from NWM a Phase III development plan with entrances that were specifically excluded by the AAC Board of Appeals (BOA) in its 1993 approval.

A thorough review of the MDE permitting process in this instance by you and your staff may uncover actions legally available to the Governor to stop the process once and for all. At the very least, the Permit could be made contingent on the applicant meeting all

exceptions and contingencies required in the County's original approval. That action would acknowledge the serious deficiencies in the plan submitted to MDE by NWM.

Second, As the Governor of Maryland, you may be able to direct the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to revoke their recent extension of the federal permit, on the grounds that the CTRL is contrary to the public interest. [See 33 CFR 325.8 (b) (2)]. The USACE extended their federal permit on 6/3/2022 without scheduling a Public Comment period. The grassroots Two Rivers Residents – Landfill Opposition Committee has also learned that the USACE is unable to find a copy of the original permit that they issued in 1991. I find it hard to believe that the Army Corps of Engineers can extend an original permit that they no longer possess and therefore could not review.

Governor Moore, I fervently hope that you will do your best to support my request to permanently stop the CTRL and end this 35-year-old nightmare.

Sincerely,