

The Truth About the Proposed East Pasco Landfill

ANGELO'S SAYS...	THE TRUTH IS...
<p>Pasco County can't handle its current garbage, let alone future garbage needs. (This information came from Angelo's own marketing materials distributed at a public forum in Dade City on May 7, 2007.)</p>	<p>There is NO garbage crisis in Pasco County! According to Bruce Kennedy, Assistant County Administrator, the solid waste complex in Shady Hills has a remaining capacity to manage the county's garbage through ±2030. The discussion for today should be about what to do after that. And fortunately, the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners planned ahead by designing the facility for future expansion.</p>
<p>Pasco County's Waste-to-Energy facility adds more air pollution than a landfill. (This information came from Angelo's own marketing materials distributed at a public forum in Dade City on May 7, 2007.)</p>	<p>Landfills produce 115 times more greenhouse gases than waste-to-energy facilities. (Per Harvard School of Public Health) By Angelo's own admission to DEP, this is a traditional landfill.</p>
<p>There will be biogas (methane and CO2) collection at the landfill. (This information came from Angelo's own marketing materials distributed at a public forum in Dade City on May 7, 2007.)</p>	<p>For at least the first three years of operation, these harmful gases will be vented directly into the air. (Per DEP application. A new separate application would have to be submitted for any changes.)</p>
<p>Landfills don't have a negative impact on land values. (This information came from Angelo's own marketing materials distributed at a public forum in Dade City on May 7, 2007.)</p>	<p>The same study used by Angelo's to make this claim also states that, "landfills have the greatest negative impact on land values" of all the facilities assessed.</p>
<p>They will build an organic composting & recycling center. (This information came from Angelo's own marketing materials distributed at a public forum in Dade City on May 7, 2007.)</p>	<p>According to their own DEP application, they seek a permit to Construct & Operate a Solid Waste Management Facility under FAC 62-701. A composting facility application falls under FAC 62-709 and requires a different permit.</p>
<p>The proposed property is not prone to sinkholes. (This information came from John Arnold's quote in a July 11, 2007 Laker newspaper article.)</p>	<p>Their conditional land use request to Pasco County states the property has "moderately high risk for sinkholes to occur."</p>
<p>There is no threat to the Green Swamp or any other water source. (This information came from a Aug. 6, 2007 Tampa Tribune Guest Column by Dominic lafrate, president of Angelo's.)</p>	<p>The applicant has no experience operating a Class 1 facility and the proposed liner technology they will use for this landfill has only been required by the State of Florida since 1985. Thus, absolute statements about the liner's reliability such as these are unfounded.</p>
<p>Their tipping fees will be \$27, half of what the county charges. (This information came from John Arnold's quote in a July 11, 2007 Laker newspaper article.)</p>	<p>Their DEP application shows their tipping fees will be between \$35-70 per ton.</p>
<p>Truck traffic around the landfill will be approximately 1,000 trucks per day. (This information came from Angelo's submittal for the proposed landfill's Pasco County Transportation Impact Study.)</p>	<p>They estimated the truck traffic occurring at their current Class 3 landfill in Dade City at 68 trucks/day. Per Angelo's current statistics, 350-500 trucks per day use this facility. Using this factor, a more realistic expectation for the new proposed landfill is 5,000-7,000 trucks per day!</p>

The Fact Is – A Proposed Landfill in East Pasco is Simply a Bad Idea!

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