

VALLEY CENTER EXTRA!!! ALERT!!!

DUMP COMING TO BETSWORTH

Unless we all unite to stop EDCO from building a Dump in our front yard, life will never be the same in Valley Center. Our environment and personal safety will be threatened as the dump will pollute our air and water while creating unprecedented fire and traffic hazards.

Say NO to EDCO!

DUMPS ARE NOT GOOD NEIGHBORS

For starters, 40 18-wheeler trips per day on Betsworth and of course up and down the grades. Those are just EDCO semis from out of the area. Additionally, four local EDCO trips per day and dumping from private landscapers and others will occur. Customers will also be buying loads of finished compost. This information is admitted to by Steve South of EDCO.

That is just the beginning. EDCO has already dug up the stream which crosses its property, perhaps to get rid of any potentially threatened wildlife which could have formed the basis of a community challenge.

Each tractor-trailer will disgorge 20 tons of "Organic" waste (no!, not the "Organic" you pay extra for at the grocery, this is live and rotting plant waste, at best, and very possibly manures and animal residues). EDCO states plans to use covered composting heaps infused with pumped air and water. Waste holding ponds will trap noxious runoff to prevent its entering the stream (which flows into the nearby reservoir) or into groundwater. This will include fertilizer, pesticides and other chemicals concentrated by the

GET INVOLVED; WE NEED YOU

TUESDAY, JULY 28 6:30-7:30 PM

VC Library

ENVIRONMENTAL ATTORNEY
EVERETT DELANO TO SPEAK
ON:

- How companies like EDCO work and lack of regulation
- Why the major use permit is only the start of what they plan to do,
- Obstacles and issues in dealing with EDCO
- How to mobilize against EDCO
- Your Questions

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

VC Community Center

FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING OF
SAY NO TO EDCO

MONDAY AUGUST 10, 2009, 7:00 PM*

VALLEY CENTER COMMUNITY CENTER

PLANNING BOARD MEETING
Steve South, of EDCO, to make
presentation



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process. According to Steve South, the only other facility using this technique suffered a failure of its waste retention pond. The Miramar dump recently started a test of this technology. Visit it! Then imagine one across the road from us.

Operations will be for ten hours per day running grinders to process the 400 tons of waste using noisy, polluting diesel engines. (EDCO is looking into using electric.) If you have ever heard a backyard chipper shredder, imagine one the size of a building. Yes, there will be large industrial buildings. There will be conveyers, tractors and bulldozers running all day creating dust and noise. These facilities produce pollution, terrible odors and are breeding grounds for rats and flies. There is also a fire hazard from methane gas buildup and spontaneous combustion of composting materials. What happens when SDGE stops the electricity for 72 hours during fire alerts and EDCO's air and water pumps halt? That alone may cause a fire!

EDCO has quietly worked on this for two years. We have little time left to put a stop to this destructive project. Get involved. Attend all meetings. Decide what you can do to help.

Demand from your County Supervisors and Representative Issa that they put Valley Center residents' interests before EDCO's. The only "Green" in this project is the money EDCO stands to make and the money we lose in property values.

Our quality of life will suffer due to traffic, noise, pollution and the negative health effects of the compost's bioaerosol. Dumps are not good neighbors!

What Others are Saying

"People in this area don't need a health department monitor to say this smells."

Mr. Bell reeled off a list of problems, including declining property values in the neighborhood, unsightly garbage mixed in with the leaves, and noise from the trucks and bulldozers at the site." (quote from homeowner featured in article:

Composting Dumps: Natural or Nuisance?; Municipal Mulching Is Called Smelly and Worse; New York Times May 13, 1996)



FYI:

[Leaf Compost Producing A Public Outcry - The New York Times](#)

[Composting Dumps: Natural or Nuisance?; Municipal Mulching Is Called Smelly and Worse - The New York Times](#)

["Occupational and environmental exposure to bioaerosols from composts and potential health effects - A critical review of published data"](#).