

Grundy County Landfill

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Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Attn: Jeff Myron
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Re: Closing of certain landfills

I am writing this on behalf of the Grundy County Landfill Commission. I am chairman of the commission. Grundy County officials are concerned about the closing of certain landfills by the year 2006. It seems an unreasonable and wasteful plan. This is both in the use of money and the use of property.

The Grundy County Landfill has been planning for the time it becomes necessary to close our present fill site for several years. According to our consulting engineering firm we have from 4 to 5 years available space at our present fill site. It would be a waste of valuable property to close this site any sooner. Furthermore we have been basing our reserve fund for closure based on this time frame.

Since the present fill site seems to be working well it would be a waste of money and effort to close it earlier than necessary. To the best of my knowledge our inspections for a number of years have been overall satisfactory. We have also, to the best of our ability, tried to correct any problems that were reported to us. I might also point out that the landfill has a good working arrangement with the City of Grundy Center, Iowa for the treatment of collected leachate.

Our consulting engineer is Mr. Rick Yoerger, P.E., Midwest Environmental Consulting, 2441 Cimarron Drive, Marion, Iowa 52302-9792.

On behalf of Grundy County I respectfully request that you extend the closure period for the sanitary landfill by 4 to 5 more years.

Sincerely

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