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REDUCE, REUSE, & RECYCLE

1. Page County Landfill Association
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2. Page County Landfill Association-28E governmental entity consisting of representatives of eleven County Communities
Blanchard Braddyville Clarinda
Coin College Springs Essex
Hepburn Northboro Shambaugh
Shenandoah Yorktown
County Supervisor representing Rural Unincorporated
3. Page County Landfill is addressing the specific issue of IAC 567-Chapter 113 on the mandatory requirement for all landfills to operate over Subtitle D equivalent liners by the summer of 2006.
4. Page County Landfill Association was established in August 1975 according to regulatory agency Dept. of Environmental Quality. Many changes in regulations have taken place in the last 29 years. The Subtitle D regulations in 1992 having the largest impact on Iowa Landfills. We installed a retrofit leachate collection system in the unlined area in 1996. Installed a scale in 1991, certified all operators in 1992, started putting money into C/PC accounts in 1994. We started funding a county recycling program in 1996 which diverts 1,200-1,500 tons of Solid Waste from going to the landfill. We have sponsored Toxic Cleanup days every 3 years from the start of IDNR funded programs. Then in 2004 we installed a satellite collection site with Pott. County of which we have diverted over 2 tons of HHW from landfills in 2004. We have 2 certified HHW site workers employed. In 2002 2 of our workers obtained Appliance Demanufacturing certification to keep PCB's, Freon, CRT's, mercury, etc. out of our groundwater. All of these programs came with a price tag. Over 15 % of our yearly budget of \$525,000.00 goes to Landfill diversion programs! Without an operating landfill these programs may have to be discontinued. This will have a negative impact on the environment and economic growth of small rural communities. Our long range plans are to add a composting facility, and to take over the county recycling from private enterprise, adding a recycling facility to

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the landfill site. We feel we can increase our recycling tonnage figures considerably.

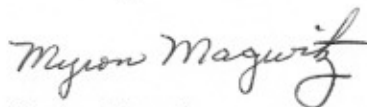
5. The Landfill Association purchased adjoining land in 2000 for a cover dirt source or horizontal expansion. In early 2001 the Association started on a Subtitle D expansion design. Three years later the design plans were finally approved by IDNR. The design capacity is 52 years and a construction cost of over \$500,000.00. The expansion construction will take two summers to complete for a total of 5 years from start of design till the first load of Solid Waste. How are existing non Subtitle D liner landfills going to meet the 2006 deadline?? Most landfills show some degree of groundwater contamination. Closing those landfills will not stop the contamination that was put there in the 1970-1980's period. A longer time frame needs to be added so these small landfills can comply. We suggest some wording be added such as:

1. "That any future vertical expansions cannot exceed the now existing elevations."
2. Any non Subtitle D liner landfills with vertical expansions (as of a certain date) cannot exceed a 5-1 or 10-1 slope.

This would give these landfills time to use Solid Waste volumes to complete the landfills with the appropriate slope and topography and give additional time to construct Subtitle D cells.

We need to be responsible and use some common sense in our approach to protecting the environment and still provide affordable facilities for Solid Waste Disposal

Sincerely,



Myron Magwitz
Landfill Manager