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MCDOWELL COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

MIKE GLADDEN, DIRECTOR

60 EAST COURT STREET
MARION, NC 28752

March 7, 2008

Mr. Bill Wagner
Division of Waste Management
Asheville Regional Office
2090 US Highway 70
Swannanoa, NC 28778

Dear Sir,

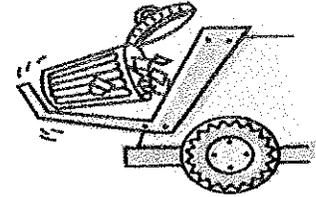
In recent months and on several occasions, I have been involved in discussions with State and Local authorities on the closing of the McDowell Sheriff's Office firing range. The range will close due to:

- State regulation changing
- The Community College expansion causing the US Forrest Service to relocate
- The NC Department of Corrections needs
- Safety concerns
- and, many other reasons that are directly connected with McDowell County Administration

McDowell County needs a qualifying range that would support McDowell Sheriff's Office, Department of Corrections, and McDowell Technical Community College Basic Law Enforcement Training, and possibly other local law enforcement agencies within the County.

We have found that an area adjacent to, but not on the old closed landfill, and on County property, would be a very good site for the range. However, to access the range, we will need to drive on an existing roadway that was the old haul road to the working face of the closed landfill. It is now used only for access to mow or erosion control reasons, maybe 2 – 3 times a year.

If my request is approved and the range is built, we would put down stone and maybe one culvert, without disturbing the cap layer and without getting on the final cover area. I will try to demonstrate this in the enclosed map drawing. We have a gated facility and controlled access, and the firing range will not be open to the general public for any reason. We plan on posting "No Smoking" signs and "Warning" signs to advise drivers not to get off the gravel roadway until they reach the range.



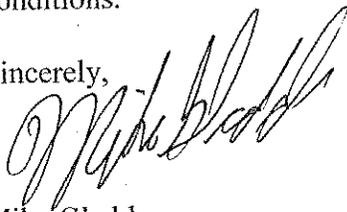
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I have reviewed both the letter from James Coffey dated 12/13/1995 referring to our closing of the McDowell County Landfill and the Closure/Transfer document from Jensen Engineering dated 7/24/1994, and I do not see any reason why the range project would interfere with the post closure conditions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Gladden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "M".

Mike Gladden

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