

# ATTENTION WHITEFIELD RESIDENTS:

**A LANDFILL IN DALTON COULD BE DISASTEROUS FOR US, TOO!**

Friends and neighbors in Dalton are against the proposed landfill because it could drastically affect their quality of life. But did you know the landfill could affect Whitefield even more than Dalton? **The proposed route for trash-hauling trucks goes directly through the heart of Whitefield.**

Casella Waste Systems has estimated that **up to 90 large trucks, many of them tractor trailers, will make round trips through downtown Whitefield daily**, five or more days a week. The trucks would roll right past Whitefield Elementary School, and then **through the main intersection in town** from Rt. 3 to Rt. 116/142 near many of Whitefield's established businesses and then past Whitefield's Town Offices, the Fire Department, and Weeks Medical Center.

One more thing to think about - **many of our Whitefield neighbors will take a big loss on their property values** and will want their property assessments lowered - that means a reduced tax base for Whitefield.

If Casella builds a dump in Dalton, close to Whitefield, it could bring **all the same problems in Whitefield that plague residents of other towns near a Casella landfill**, including those in Bethlehem, NH and Coventry, VT. Their residents continue to complain about **noise, odors, air and water contamination, as well as increased tractor trailer traffic and lower property values.**





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## WHAT CAN WE DO TO STOP THE LANDFILL AND PRESERVE OUR QUALITY OF LIFE?

**The best time to stop the landfill is NOW, before Casella gets a foothold.** Don't be fooled by Casella's talk that there's plenty of time to address this. The pre-application process started in Concord in May and Casella has said it may submit its application to NHDES by the end of this year.

**We need to show Casella that the North Country is not going to be a dumping ground for all of New England.** Casella admits the only new sites it seriously considered are in the North Country — and currently over 30% of the landfill waste brought to Bethlehem is from out of state. We can't let Casella reap all the benefits while Whitefield and the whole North Country bear most of the costs.

Please—**Talk** to all your neighbors, Whitefield business owners, and members of our Select Board and Planning Board. **Tell them it's time to join** Dalton and Bethlehem residents opposing Casella's planned expansion in the North Country. **Write** a letter to the editor stating your concerns. Like the Northern Pass, **this is one battle we cannot afford to lose for the sake of our environment, our children and future generations.**

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