



# Office of Selectmen

Town of Whitefield, N.H. 03598

*"Heart of the White Mountains"*

603/837-2551

March 16, 2020

The Honorable Governor Chris Sununu  
N.H. State House  
107 North Main Street  
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Governor Sununu:

At this year's town meeting, the citizens of Whitefield overwhelmingly voted in favor of a petitioned warrant article which opposes the proposed landfill development in nearby Dalton by Casella Waste Systems. As Whitefield's elected officials we are dutifully forwarding the warrant article for your consideration.

The Selectboard shares many concerns expressed by the voters. We worry about the potential negative impacts of increased truck traffic in our village center, unwanted odors in neighboring homes, ground and surface water pollution, and declining private property values. Clearly the proposed landfill is a development project with potential regional impact. As such, we request the project application be subject to appropriate public hearings such that the full concerns of both private and public interests can be voiced and considered before any approval is granted.

We thank you in advance for your careful consideration of our concerns.

Sincerely,

Board of Selectmen

  
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John Tholl

  
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Stanley Holz

  
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Peter Corey



# Town of Sugar Hill

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March 23, 2020

To Whom it May Concern:

The Town of Sugar Hill supports the Town of Whitefield's Warrant Article #40 **"To see if the town will vote to declare its opposition to a landfill development in Dalton"** that was passed by the Whitefield voters on Tuesday, March 10, 2020.

We are particularly concerned about air and water quality impacts to Forest Lake.

We are concerned whether our state regulations are adequate to protect the public interest.

We are dismayed that the state displays no leadership on the question of solid waste disposal and instead leaves that up to private corporations like Casella and Waste Management.

The default policy is to site landfills in the North Country where land values are lower, local towns have less capacity to fight back, fear having their resources drained by expensive lawsuits, and may have inadequate ordinances to oversee large projects like a landfill, with regional impacts.

We believe that Casella's proposed landfill will adversely impact Dalton, Whitefield and surrounding towns. We are concerned that the dramatic increase in heavy, waste hauling tractor trailer trucks will be detrimental to our roads and communities. Foul smelling trucks that often leak fluids are a hazard to road surfaces, village centers and main streets.

We believe that property values will be negatively impacted.

We strongly urge you to oppose landfill development in Dalton.

Sincerely,

Margo Connors  
Select Board