

Whitefield Conservation Commission  
*56 Littleton Road*  
*Whitefield, NH 03598*

December 16, 2020

Craig Rennie  
NH DES Wetlands Bureau  
29 Hazen Drive  
Concord, NH 03301

Re: NHDES Wetland Application #2020-02239

Dear Mr. Rennie,

We would like to stringently state our opposition to the destruction of *ANY* of our Whitefield wetlands and note that this flies in the face of our Whitefield Master Plan and everything that our town values and posterity.

The proposed Casella Landfill development project will damage Whitefield more than any other community or town in the area.

Our particular concern is the proximity of this project to our **primary** well that provides Whitefield's town water supply. Leachate from this project would drain directly into Forest Lake and from there downstream into our primary water supply. The potential impacts on wetlands, groundwater, shorelines, local streams, nearby bodies of water including Forest Lake and Burns Lake, plants, and wildlife are profound. Increased truck traffic and site leachate also contribute to the negative environmental impact of spillage, litter, and exhausts, not to mention public safety, noise, odor, and infrastructure damage. We cannot overstate our objection to this desecration of our community resources.

With all due respect, we expect that you will keep us informed on the progress of the proposal.

Sincerely,

*Frank Lombardi*

Chairman  
Whitefield Conservation Commission

cc: Whitefield Planning Board  
Whitefield Selectboard  
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