

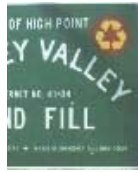
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The shocking truth in pictures about  
High Point, NC's Kersey Valley landfill

## COMPARISON

## OF

## LANDFILL TYPES

### C&D and MSWF LANDFILL SIMILARITIES

**C&D = Construction and Demolition MSWF = Municipal Solid Waste Facility or ordinary garbage landfill**

**C&D landfills differ in a few specific ways from MSWF landfills but otherwise pose similar environmental, economic, and sociological impacts.**

**MAKE MONEY= THE PRIME DIRECTIVE!** Applies to ALL landfills.

**Landfill Operators are not generous philanthropists.**

*"The waste-disposal industry is a cut-throat industry.*

*They're in business to make a profit and a huge profit."*

--- Greensboro NC Councilman Robbie Perkins, Greensboro News & Record June 24, 2001 "[Council Studies Landfill Options](#)"

**UNREGULATED, INDEPENDENT HAULERS=** Landfill business is from different sources. Some controlled, but most is unregulated, independent haulers who answer to no one offsite about their vehicles or loads except the already overworked State Highway Patrol and DMV. See [TRUCK GALLERY](#)

**FACILITY DUST=** "Kersey Valley will be developed as a state of the art facility.."

--Perry Kairis, High Point Public Services Director, High Point Zoning Commission transcript It was claimed twice more in this [one transcript](#).

Even if MRR, LLC landfill quality equaled High Point, it doesn't mean much.

The [DUST](#) and [DUST GALLERY](#) pages illustrate **High Point officials' measure of quality.**

**ROAD DUST=** MRR will have no control over, and will deny responsibility for the actions and standards of hundreds of individual haulers away from their site. See "HAULERS" above.

### THE DYNAMIC TRIO

**TRAFFIC VOLUME = Volume = Money!** See also [2001](#) and [ROAD GALLERY](#)

**TRAFFIC WEIGHT=** Increased volume is not soccer moms going to a grocery store but are 20,000-40,000 lb plus vehicles capable of destroying a road quickly. See [TRUCK GALLERY](#)

**ROAD DAMAGE= Increased volume + increased weight = torn up public roads.**  
State taxes **subsidize** this road destruction, NOT the landfill operators.

**ROAD SAFETY=** So-called "inert" dry wall jarred from an overloaded truck is hazardous hitting a windshield-- deadly hitting a child. Many trucks have signs "CAUTION STAY BACK 200 FEET" or "NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR WINDSHIELDS" Everyone knows this is to try to avoid liability and CYA for what haulers **KNOW** will happen. There is no control over **hundreds of individual haulers' behavior** off these sites.

**ROAD MUD=** 100s of trucks per day on mud slick roads + soccer moms' cars = disaster! It is so bad that [thedumpsite](#) has **3 web pages** covering various aspects of roads around Kersey Valley, [HERE](#) [HERE](#) and [HERE](#)

**FACILITY NOISE=** MRR officials say they made sound intensity measurements and control site noise. MRR noise often extends 1/2 mile from the site. On the other hand, Kersey Valley noise has been observed over a mile from the facility. We can't demonstrate sound



levels but the 4th photo down of Widow Nell raking leaves in her yard speaks **loudly about Kersey Valley.**

**ROAD NOISE=** There is no control over what muffler and other maintenance **hundreds of individual haulers** do away from their site. At Kersey Valley, irresponsible drivers have been videoed purposely "gearing down" their trucks to make them backfire or make the engine rev loudly and purposely clanging heavy tail gates to jar materials out. This can apply to any landfill.

**MORE on ROAD SAFETY=** Family cars or school busses that are in this residential neighborhood are no match for 40,000+ pound garbage and other landfill trucks.

**DYNAMIC TRIO NUMBER TWO..**

**UNSIGHTLINESS=** High Point officials clear cut trees at Kersey Valley up to our lot line Nothing was left to shield us from a close up view of their dump in three directions from our home.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL DAMAGE AND TRAUMA=** The degradation, humiliation, uncertainty of personal and familial safety, stress, noise, and other factors from living in the home at right is clear. *There is nothing more detrimental to a piece of property than a landfill.*

**PROPERTY DEPRECIATION=** A corollary of UNSIGHTLINESS and the rest. *There is nothing more detrimental to a piece of property than a landfill.* The FBI and military routinely use them as tactics to unnerve criminals and terrorists and associates of the most heinous property-stripping firm in North Carolina, did a site specific study of properties around Kersey Valley. They found landfills depreciate nearby properties by 30%-40% and had detrimental effects on property values a mile or more away.

This was in total disagreement with a Greensboro real estate agent hired by MRR who claimed property values actually INCREASED around landfills.

**Neither this lady nor any MRR, LLC or High Point official gave any indication they were rushing to move beside a landfill to take advantage of this.**

**ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE=**

**Many things can go wrong at a landfill.**

~~ Spilled materials, whatever they might be, are washed by surface runoff from site and approach roads. There are no lagoon traps to prevent spread of this environmental pollution.

~~ Test wells don't measure **surface runoff** so they don't tell what or how much reaches the nearest stream. Here, it ALL flows into Randleman Lake.

~~ Test wells merely **detect** a cancer that has **already spread**. If a problem is found, then ground water is contaminated. Test wells show the Riverdale dump it and Seaboard are leaking contaminants into ground water and into Deep River. In 1999 an NC Solid Waste report said it will "take over a century" to clean up Riverdale and Seaboard. High Point's Jackson Lake unlined dump has no test wells. Officials have no idea what it's leaking. It wasn't mentioned.

**RATIONALIZATION = "the overall risk to public health posed by the two sites is relatively small as long as people do not drink the contaminated ground water and as long as they stay away from the two sites."** --1999 State report about public safety during the 100 year cleanup of High Point's Riverdale dump and Seaboard Chemical superfund sites.

How much did the government pay someone for **that** piece of brain power?

We can safely add Chernobyl and Love Canal to that list without the expense of a "study."

We wrote and told them so. It deserves one of Senator Proxmire's old "Golden Fleece Awards."

**POLITICS =**

**Special interests and huge amounts of money and high paid officials keep bringing more of it?** --Senator John McCain, NPR, "Talk of the Nation", Oct 21, 2002

**"The waste-disposal industry is a cut-throat industry. They're in business to make a profit and a huge profit."** --- Greensboro NC Councilman Robbie Perkins, 6/24/2001

**"Those who naively trust local governments to make wise decisions clearly haven't been paying attention."** Mall, Lane Political Columnist, Greensboro N&R, 11, 2, 2005



Leachate spring.



A lot can go wrong with test wells. This one isn't locked. What is it testing?

THIS SAFETY SUGGESTION ALSO WORKS WITH LIONS, BATTERY ACID, ALLIGATORS, AND NUCLEAR TEST SITES!

\$\$\$\$ AND WE COME

*paying attention.*

-- MOLLY IVENS, Political Columnist, Greensboro N&K, July 2, 2005

Politics associated with high dollar schemes like landfills provide vast opportunities for abuse. Officials often just want to have their way with minimal public interference but when **ANY** kind of landfill is in a residential area, **ALL** problems and dangers are magnified many fold. Conditions that might be acceptable in a more remote area are dangerously forced into people's lives.

**FULL CIRCLE!**

**KIDS -- THE ULTIMATE SIMILARITY! =**

Politicians and others have seized a handy slogan recently for whatever they're talking about, "*It's for the children!*"

Children of LANDFILL COUNTRY grow up in the shadow of a dump and are affected no matter what kind of dump it is. [See the KIDS page HERE](#)

*"We do not inherit this land from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children"*

- Haida Native American saying



landfill this is?

**"SCREENING" ...WHAT DOES IT MEAN?**

High Point officials said that things going into the unlined C&D landfill would be monitored and bad things removed.

**The same officials who said their own material recovery recycling facility was too expensive and shut it down.**

**The ones who abandoned a cleaner Kersey Valley garbage baling facility in favor of cheaper open dumping**

The Kersey Valley dump brings you **BU** and to show you the i

**CS, DUST** page trucks before



**Would you want your child getting off the school bus to have the opportunity to pick up any of these items? Kersey Valley screening missed them, what'll C&D screening miss?**

**AND NO ONE KNOWS WHAT ELSE! =**

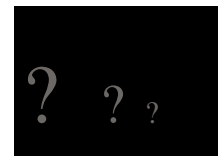
*"As we know, there are known knowns. There are things we know we know.*

*We also know there are known unknowns.*

*That is to say we know there are some things we do not know.*

*But there are also unknown unknowns, the ones we don't know we don't know. "*

--US Sec. of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Feb. 12, 2002, Department of Defense news briefing



*"The truth is, we will not know whether the precautions these landfills take, such as ground liners and so forth, are effective until many years after they close. In the meantime, we should be taking the precautions necessary to ensure the health and safety of surrounding residents especially children in case it turns out contamination is taking place."* --- HARRISBURG, Aug. 14, 2001 Penn. State Rep. James E. Casorio Jr., D-Westmoreland,

**ASSOCIATION? =** Griffin Const. Co., a business associate of MRR, LLC operated Wiley Davis C&D landfill.

It was shut down in November 1999 after being cited by the state more than 30 times. [CLICK HERE for story](#)

Kersey Valley landfill has never received a citation from the state in spite of what you see on [thedumpsite](#).

What's been going on at Kersey Valley? And is it still going on at other landfills? Like Piedmont Landfill?

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"Tom Brown, the mayor of Oak Ridge, has said the local and state regulatory agencies responsible for monitoring the landfill merely act as cheerleaders for Waste Management." --Rhinceros Times, Nov 6, 2003, "[County May Despite Facts](#)"

**Around 500 BC, the first municipal dump in the western world was organized at Athens Greece.**

"Regulations required waste to be dumped at least a mile from the city limits." --"The History of Waste," Roberta Crowell Barbalace

**High Point officials don't seem to have learned much from over 2500 years of landfill history.**

**their ultimate quote: "What do you expect? It's a landfill!"** --- High Point Mayor Rebecca Smothers, City Council Meeting

This last official sure makes it all sound routine, doesn't she? Like something she EXPECTS to find around ANY landfill.

"Politics asks the question, 'Is it expedient?'... Conscience asks the question, 'Is it right?'" --Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**The BOTTOM LINE FROM *thedumpsite* ----**

Either kind of dump has many similar effects on a neighborhood! All landfills should be located in areas of suitable isolation where these known conditions EXPECTED and ACCEPTED as ROUTINE are NO PUBLIC THREAT!

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Thanks BigBro (signs, contacts, Ts)  
HoneyBunny "What a good camera."

Thanks to our other agents so called by  
a High Point official. Nell considered it  
a badge of honor. So do we.

We often speak about our agents.

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