

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 15:22:17 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Walker Landfill Continuance - Notice of Commencement
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:07:37 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Chris Breen
To: South Landfill Phase 2
CC: Leticia Koole

The email below went out “bcc” to the following:

Baldinelli, Tony - M.P. <Tony.Baldinelli@parl.gc.ca>; 'seo@pc.ola.org' (Sam Oosterhoff, MPP) ; Chuck McShane <Chuck@nhba.ca>; 'mpatel@niagarafalls.ca'; Ruth-Ann Nieuwesteeg <rnieuwesteeg@niagarafalls.ca>; Lori Lococo <llococo@niagarafalls.ca>; 'wcampbell@niagarafalls.ca'; 'wthomson@niagarafalls.ca'; Mike Strange <mstrange@niagarafalls.ca>; Baldinelli, Tony - M.P. <Tony.Baldinelli@parl.gc.ca>; 'vpietrangelo@niagarafalls.ca'; 'JBurch-CO@ndp.on.ca'; 'JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca'; 'Chris.Bittle@parl.gc.ca'; 'dean.allison@parl.gc.ca'

From: Chris Breen
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2023 5:29 PM
To: Chris Breen <CBreen@walkerind.com>
Cc: Kaitlynn Valeriano <kValeriano@walkerind.com>
Subject: Walker Landfill Continuance - Notice of Commencement

Good evening,

Please see the advisory linked below which will be released tomorrow morning. Please contact me at any time if I may be of assistance.

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/fyp6bzgc87wbag4yoogwa/Media-Release-South-Landfill-Phase-2-Continuation-Walker-Industries.docx?rlkey=w67z6095yhkbiiy7qae8jpv2s&dl=0>

Thanks,
Chris
4166053524

MEDIA RELEASE

For Immediate Use

Thursday, Nov. 30, 2023

Walker launches Notice of Commencement for the future development of its South Landfill

NIAGARA, ON (Nov. 30) - Walker Industries (Walker) today announced it has commenced its Terms of Reference for the company's proposed next phase of its South Landfill, allowing Walker to continue to provide essential waste disposal services to meet the needs of Niagara and surrounding communities.

"Walker's Resource Management Campus plays a key role in helping Niagara recover resources, manage waste, and generate clean, renewable energy," said Mike Deprez, Vice President, Environmental Division. "As Niagara region continues to grow, planning for long-term waste disposal capacity is increasingly important. Walker has safely managed landfills for more than forty years and our Phase 2 development would allow us to continue to provide these critical services to residents, businesses, and municipalities."

To develop the next phase of its South Landfill, Walker has initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA). An EA sets out a planning and decision-making process that considers potential effects on the environment and surrounding community. As part of this process, Walker encourages members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities and other interested persons to actively participate in the planning process by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly.

Walker will host an initial public Open House to introduce the project, review and discuss the Environmental Assessment process and collect feedback.

Date: Thursday, Dec. 14

Time: 4 to 8 p.m.

Location: Club Italia, Grand Ballroom B,
2525 Montrose Rd, Niagara Falls, ON

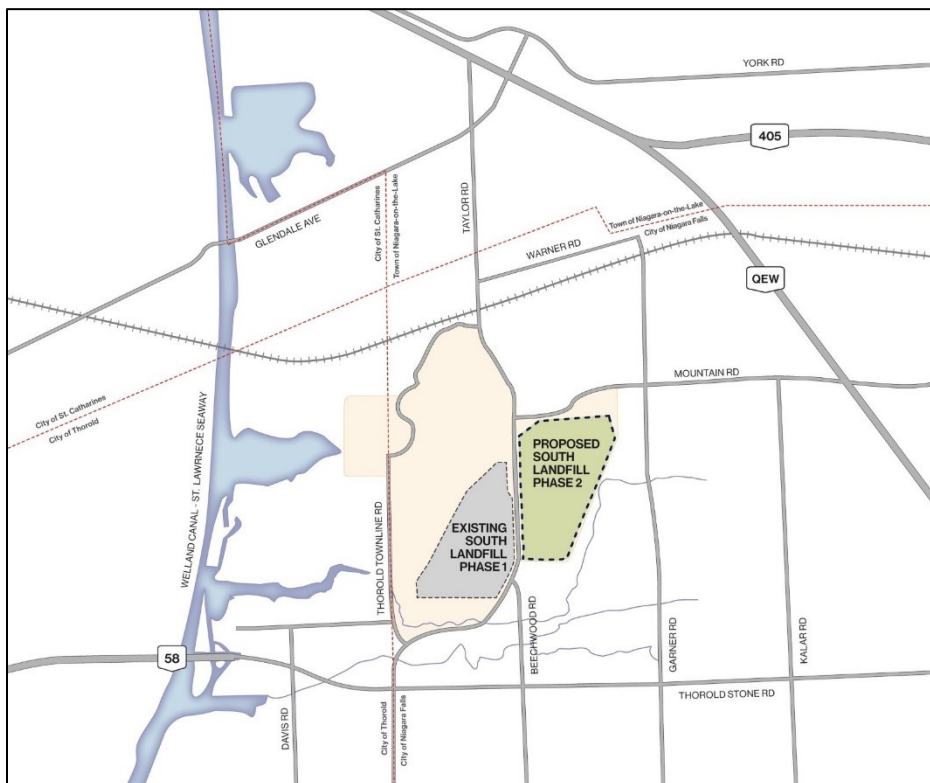
For further information on the process or upcoming public sessions, please contact:

Cody Cabral
Media Relations, Walker Industries
Email: ccabral@walkerind.com
Phone: 289-257-0528

ABOUT WALKER

Walker Industries, a fifth-generation, family-owned company with more than 135 years in business, operates from its base in the Niagara Region with facilities across Canada and the United States. Walker employs more than 1,200 people in environmental waste management and recovery, renewable energy, paving and construction, aggregates, and emulsions chemistries.

Visit Walker's South Landfill Phase 2 website here: <https://southlandfillphase2.com/>



Map: Proposed South Landfill Phase 2

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 15:25:12 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:00:11 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'WGates-CO@ndp.on.ca'
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

Good morning MPP Gates,

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Attached is a letter providing further information, including the Notice of Commencement of a Terms of Reference and Open House #1 Notice.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Duguay (on behalf of Darren Fry, Project Director)



November 30, 2023

Wayne Gates, MPP

Niagara Falls, Fort Erie & Niagara-on-the-Lake
6746 Morrison Street, Unit 1
Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6Z8
WGates-CO@ndp.on.ca

Dear Wayne Gates,

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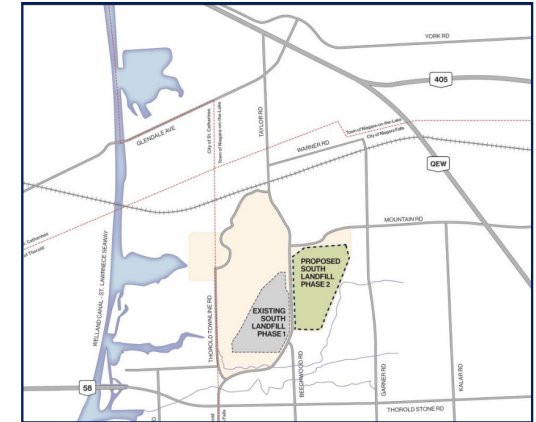
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 15:04:43 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:14:41 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'Tony.Baldinelli@parl.gc.ca'
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

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Niagara Falls
107-4056 Dorchester Road
Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6M9
Tony.Baldinelli@parl.gc.ca

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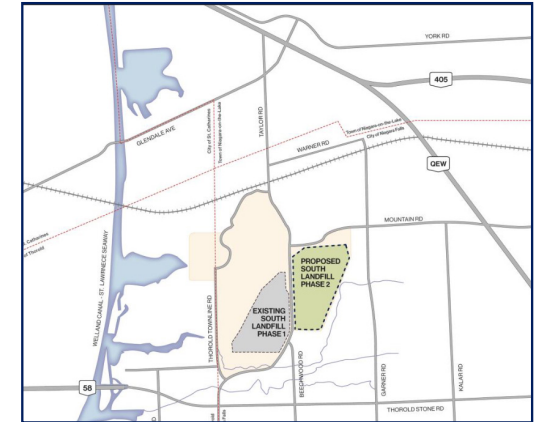
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To: 'JBurch-CO@ndp.on.ca'
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Niagara Centre
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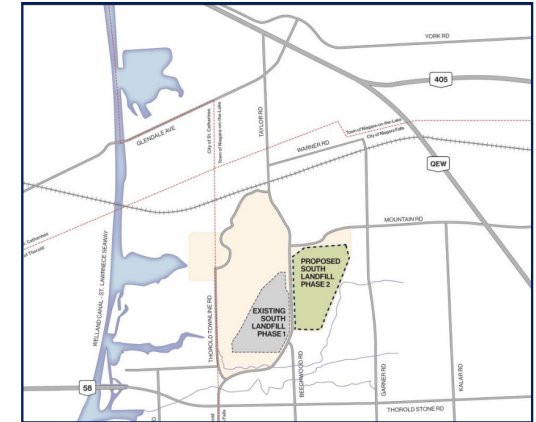
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Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:14:11 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'vance.badawey@parl.gc.ca'
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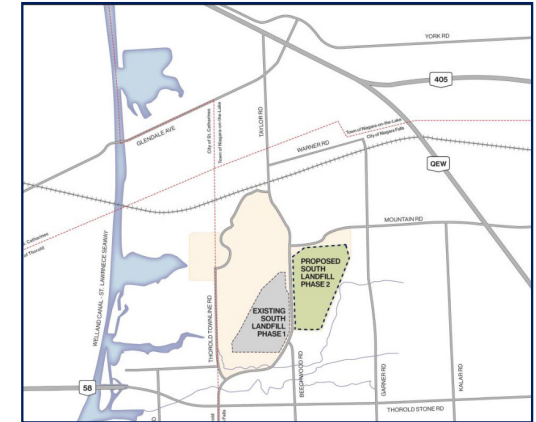
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 15:02:33 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:14:41 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'sam.oosterhoffco@pc.ola.org'
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

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Elizabeth Duguay (on behalf of Darren Fry, Project Director)



November 30, 2023

Sam Oosterhoff, MPP

Niagara West
4961 King Street East Unit M1
Beamsville, ON L0R 1B0
sam.oosterhoffco@pc.ola.org

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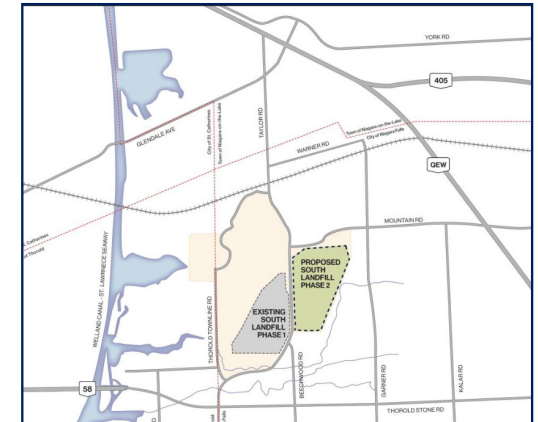
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Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:13:43 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'chris.bittle@parl.gc.ca'
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

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Chris Bittle, MP

St. Catharines

1-61 Geneva Street

St. Catharines, ON L2M 4M6

chris.bittle@parl.gc.ca

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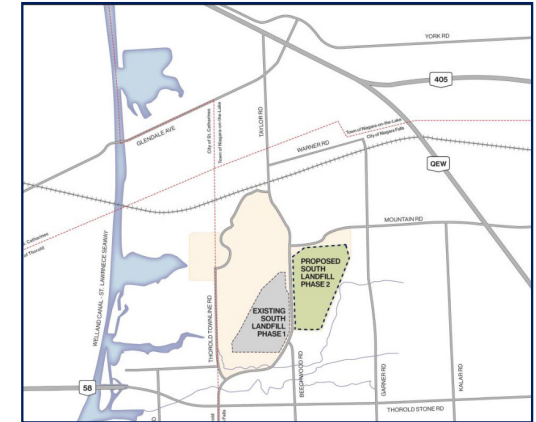
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Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:14:10 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca'
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

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November 30, 2023

Jennie Stevens, MPP

St. Catharines
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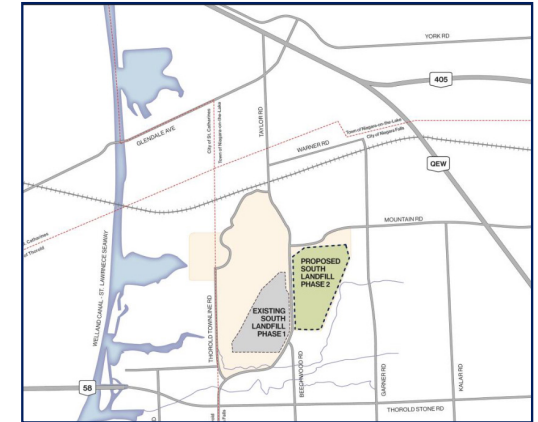
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 14:13:22 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 11:08:06 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image75e1c2.JPG

From: Bart Maves <bmaves@sbmc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 11:07 AM
To: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

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Thank you

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From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 10:26:32 a.m.
To: 'bmaves@sbmc.ca' <bmaves@sbmc.ca>
Cc: Mike Deprez <MDeprez@walkerind.com>
Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

Good morning Bart,

I received your contact information from my colleague Mike Deprez (cc'ed) and it's my understanding that you spoke to him yesterday regarding the launch of Walker's South Landfill Phase 2 project.

I'm sending along this email on behalf of Darren Fry (Project Director) with a letter attached providing further information, including the Notice of Commencement of a Terms of Reference and Open House #1 Notice.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Duguay

Elizabeth Duguay
Project Support Specialist
Environmental Division

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Bart Maves
HRI Lodging
bmaves@sbmc.ca

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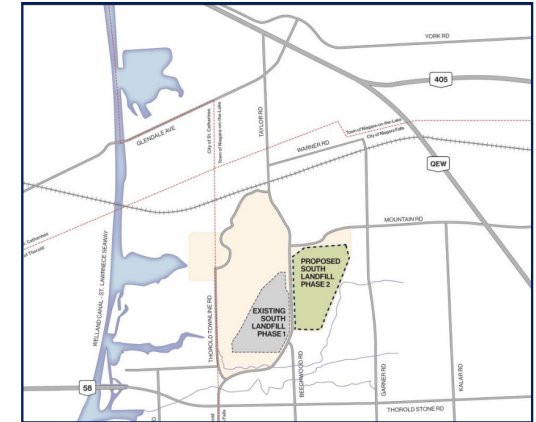
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Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 1:24:54 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: Juteria Genya Munroe
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

Good afternoon Genya,

I trust all is well with you.

I'm reaching out as Walker has just announced the start of the planning process for the next phase (Phase 2) of our South Landfill at our Resource Management Campus at 2800 Thorold Towline Rd, Niagara Falls. Attached is a letter providing more information about the proposal, including the notice that was publicly distributed today.

As you will see on the attached, we reserved a room at Club Italia on December 14th for the purpose of hosting our first public event for the project.

If you could kindly forward this email to the appropriate recipient(s) at your organization, that would be greatly appreciated.

Kindest regards,
Elizabeth



November 30, 2023

Genya Munroe, Office Administrator

Club Italia
2525 Montrose Road
Niagara Falls, ON L2H 0T9
admin@clubitalia.ca

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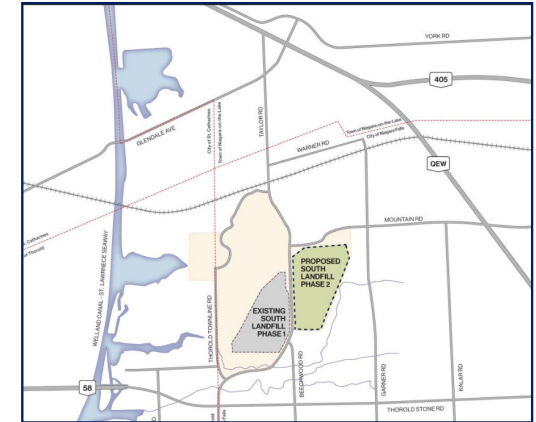
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 11:41:11 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 3:11:04 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'scott.dodd@enbridge.com'
CC: Graham Guest
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

Good afternoon Scott,

I received your contact information from my colleague Graham Guest (cc'ed) who recently left you a voicemail regarding the launch of the next phase (Phase 2) of Walker's South Landfill in Niagara Falls, ON.

Attached is a letter providing more detail on the proposal, including a Notice of Commencement of a Terms of Reference and Open House #1 Notice.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Duguay (on behalf of Darren Fry, Project Director)



November 30, 2023

Scott Dodd, Director Business Development
Enbridge Gas Inc.

Dear Scott Dodd,

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Walker Environmental Group – South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment**

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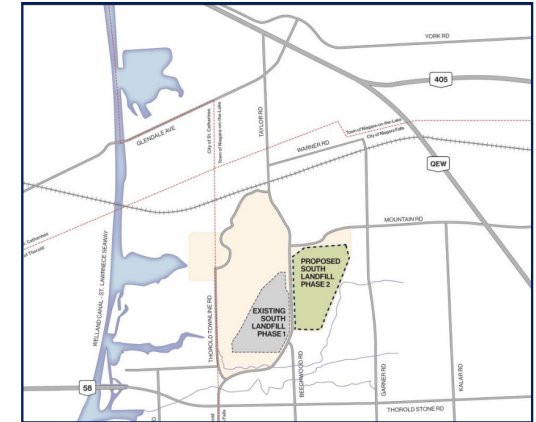
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 14:02:34 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 11:26:29 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'doug.yates@gm.com'
CC: Graham Guest
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

Good morning Doug,

I received your contact information from my colleague Graham Guest (cc'ed) and it's my understanding that you spoke yesterday regarding the launch of Walker's South Landfill Phase 2 project.

I'm sending along this email on behalf of Darren Fry (Project Director) with a letter attached providing further information, including the Notice of Commencement of a Terms of Reference and Open House #1 Notice.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Duguay



November 30, 2023

Doug Yates, Environment and Energy Director
General Motors of Canada
doug.yates@gm.com

Dear Doug Yates,

**Subject: Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference and Open House #1
Walker Environmental Group – South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment**

On behalf of Walker Environmental Group (Walker), I would like to inform you about our plans to develop the next phase of our South Landfill in Niagara Falls, Ontario. The current phase is approaching its licensed capacity and despite recycling and Green Bin composting efforts, there is still a need for landfill space for non-recyclable materials. The next phase (Phase 2) of the South Landfill will provide safe and reliable disposal capacity for an additional 20 years, supply renewable energy to the community by turning landfill gas into energy, and continue to be a major employer in the Region.

The South Landfill is an integral component of Walker's Niagara Resource Management Campus, a dynamic operation that recovers resources sustainably and manages waste efficiently. Phase 2 would be developed on Walker-owned lands, directly east of current landfilling operations. This location, as shown in the accompanying Notice, would use existing infrastructure, such as the landfill entrance, and allow operations to seamlessly transition into a new adjacent fill area.

Before Phase 2 can be developed, it will require the completion of an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the *Environmental Assessment Act* (EAA), a Provincial environmental planning process regulated by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). The attached Notice of Commencement and Open House #1 signals the formal start of the EA, a study that will carefully consider all potential impacts of the proposal, both negative and positive, on the natural and human environment, which includes social, economic, and cultural factors.

Consultation with neighbours, local residents, Indigenous communities, and other stakeholders is a fundamental aspect of the EA process. We invite you to attend **Open House #1 on Thursday, December 14th, 2023, from 4:00 – 8:00 pm at Club Italia (Ballroom B) 2525 Montrose Rd, Niagara Falls** to learn more about the project, review and discuss the EA process, and gather your input.

As a neighbour, your input is highly important to us, and we encourage your active participation in this process. We are committed to keeping you informed and engaged at each step of the EA. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me directly or visit southlandfillphase2.com to learn more.

Sincerely,

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Darren Fry, Project Director

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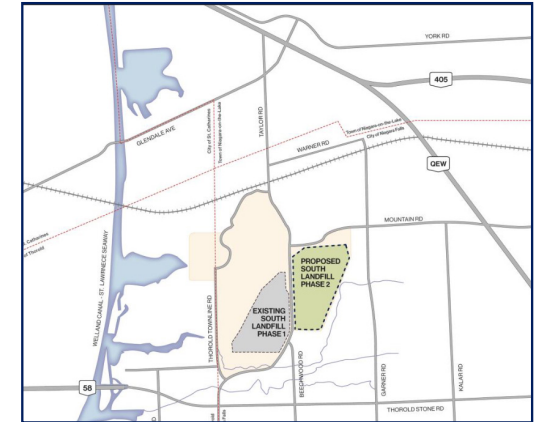
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 14:26:12 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:42:56 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'chuck@nhba.ca'
CC: Chris Breen
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

Good morning Chuck,

I received your contact information from my colleague Chris Breen (cc'ed) and it's my understanding that you spoke yesterday regarding the launch of Walker's South Landfill Phase 2 project.

Attached is a letter providing further information on the proposal, including the Notice of Commencement of a Terms of Reference and Open House #1 Notice.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Duguay



November 30, 2023

Chuck McShane, Executive Director
Niagara Home Builders' Association
295 Ridge Road North
Ridgeway, ON L0S 1N0
chuck@nhba.ca

Dear Chuck McShane,

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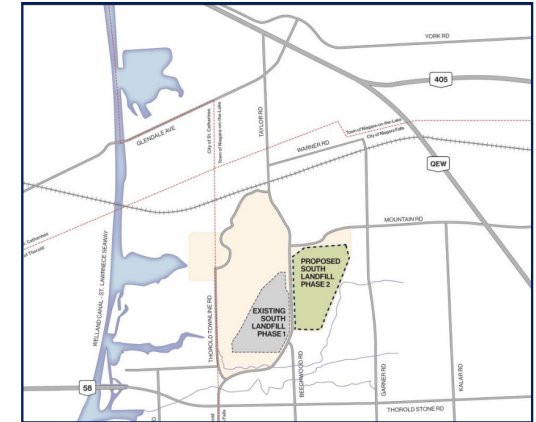
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 14:23:17 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:48:01 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: 'arnie.strub@niagaraindustry.com'
CC: Darren Fry
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement Nov 30 2023.pdf

Good morning Arnie,

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Sincerely,
Elizabeth Duguay



November 30, 2023

Arnie Strub, Executive Director
Niagara Industrial Association
800 Niagara Street Unit R56
Welland, ON L3C 5Z4
arnie.strub@niagaraindustry.com

Dear Arnie Strub,

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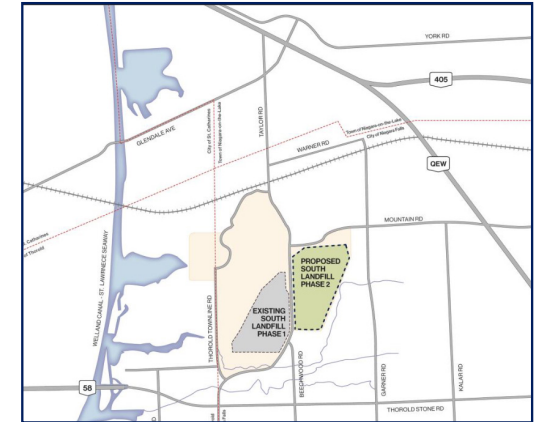
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 11:51:41 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill.
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 1:51:18 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image196372.JPG, image196372.JPG

RoC - Neighbours

From: Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 1:43 PM
To: Mike Deprez <MDeprez@walkerind.com>; Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>; Kaitlynn Valeriano <kValeriano@walkerind.com>
Subject: Fwd: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: November 30, 2023 at 1:20:32 PM EST
To: Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill.

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Thanks for letting me know, Shawn!

On Thu, Nov 30, 2023, 11:24 a.m. Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED],

I wanted to let you know that today Walker has announced the start of the planning process for the next phase of our Walker landfill at the Niagara Resource Management Campus.

You'll receive a notification of this in the mail in the next few days with more information, but I wanted to make sure you were aware of the news ahead of this.

We are hosting a public information session for our neighbours and community members on Thursday, December 14th, at Club Italia in Niagara Falls from 4-8 pm to introduce the project and review and discuss the process.

More information about the project can also be found at the following website:

www.southlandfillphase2.com

Furthermore, [REDACTED], should you have any questions, concerns, or comments you'd like to discuss directly, feel free to reach out to me. I am happy to connect you with a member of the project team.

Our invitation for a campus tour remains open as well in case you are interested in witnessing our operations firsthand.

Take care and talk soon.

Shawn Jordan

General Manager, Transfer & Disposal
Environmental Division

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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 11:38:12 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: RE: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 4:17:44 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: [REDACTED]

Thanks [REDACTED] – much appreciated. Hope to see you at the Holiday Gathering!
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 4:07 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

Thanks, Darren. I have posted this on our neighbourhood FB group.

[REDACTED]

On Nov 30, 2023, at 3:58 PM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED] – two different files sizes for you (2 MB and 200 KB). Try the larger one first.

Thanks,
Darren

Darren Fry, A.Sc.T
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 3:47 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

Hello Darren. Can you convert this PDF poster to a JPG or PNG? I am having difficulties posting a PDF in Facebook. Thanks.

[REDACTED]

On Nov 30, 2023, at 11:42 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Thanks for the quick response [REDACTED] and yes, my teams key mandate is engagement and consultation (so we'll be busy with lots of community meetings)!

I've copied Cody Cabral (Communications Coordinator) as he is looking after media & communications (the Lake Report would have received our media release today).

Thanks again,
Darren

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To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

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Hello, Darren. Thank you for thinking of me. Looks like a busy time ahead for you and Walkers. I like the idea of an article in the Lake Report. I will forward your email to my editor and pitch the idea of an article. If he is agreeable, then we can set up a meeting. I will also post the communique on our neighbourhood FB group. Thanks again.

[REDACTED]

On Nov 30, 2023, at 9:27 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Good morning [REDACTED]

I'm reaching out to let you know that we're beginning the planning process to extend the life of our current landfill through the development of the next phase (Phase 2). With only 8 years of capacity remaining, its important we start

this process to ensure Niagara continues to have access to safe and reliable waste disposal services.

You'll receive a Notice that has been mailed to all Niagara-on-the-Green residents today/tomorrow but I wanted to personally reach out.

This process, called an Environmental Assessment is a multi-year process – nothing happens anytime soon. Walker will be holding multiple public events/Open Houses during the course of the process. Our first event will be Dec. 14th at Club Italia 4-8pm which will be a chance for community members to learn more about the project and process while providing feedback. We'll also be engaging neighbours directly as well to gather input/ideas/feedback so we can develop this next phase in a way that works for the community. If you would like to meet, or do an interview for the Lake Report, I would be more than happy to arrange this.

Here is the link to the project website with lots of information available (www.southlandfillphase2.com). I've also attached a copy of the Notice that you and your neighbours will soon receive. Feel free to post this on the community Facebook page – we want to ensure as much transparency as possible in this process.

Feel free to call me direct anytime.

Regards,
Darren

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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 11:25:26 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill.
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 4:29:16 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image5922e4.JPG, image5922e4.JPG

RoC – Neighbour

From: Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 4:26 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>; Mike Deprez <MDeprez@walkerind.com>; Kaitlynn Valeriano <kValeriano@walkerind.com>; Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: Fwd: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: November 30, 2023 at 4:24:43 PM EST
To: Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill.

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Hi Shawn,
Thanks for the update. I'll look out for your follow-up info.

Regards

[REDACTED]

On Thu, Nov 30, 2023, 10:13 Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

I wanted to let you know that today Walker has announced the start of the planning process for the next phase of our Walker landfill at the Niagara Resource Management Campus.

You'll receive a notification of this in the mail in the next few days with more information,

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If you have any additional questions, please feel free to reach out; my team and I are always available to meet.

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Holiday party.

Take care and talk soon.

Shawn Jordan

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Subject: Fwd: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 5:59:57 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: Kaitlynn Valeriano, Heather Flindall
Attachments: imagee5926d.JPG

Heather - please add [REDACTED] to the Holiday party.

Thx
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 5:56:26 p.m.
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

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Your timing is perfect Darren! We would be happy to participate and would love to attend the Dec.12 Holiday Gathering. We talked about a few possibilities that day. Yes Yes we could really use some compost, things need sprucing up around here, also I will talk with the vineyard manager now that the harvest is over about the biosolids/ fertiliser for the vineyard. Is this still a possibility?

Thank Darren stay in touch

[REDACTED]

On Thu, Nov 30, 2023 at 4:38PM Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED] – I trust all is well!

As a neighbour, I'm reaching out to let you know that we're beginning the planning process to extend the life of our current landfill through the development of the next phase (Phase 2). With only 8 years of capacity remaining, it's important we start this process to ensure Niagara continues to have access to safe and reliable waste disposal services.

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Feel free to call me direct anytime if you have any questions.

Also – we host a Holiday Gathering every year for neighbours and local dignitaries. This year, it will be at White Oaks on Dec. 12th 6-8:30pm. Feel free to join us – it's a great time and we have 85 RSVP'd already!!

Ps – happy to continue the discussion around a compost donation as well.

Regards,

Darren

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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 10:54:06 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker, South Landfill Phase 2 EA - Notice
Date: Friday, December 1, 2023 at 9:10:05 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: 'adesouza@owma.org', 'rgill@owma.org'
CC: Mike Deprez, Kaitlynn Valeriano
Attachments: Notice Commencement - South Landfill Phase2.pdf, South Landfill Phase 2 Launch Talking Points.docx

Good morning Ashley and Ravneet,

Ashley – great to finally meet earlier this week!

Yesterday we announced the official start of the planning process (Environmental Assessment) to extend the life of our South Landfill by developing Phase 2. With only 8 years of capacity remaining, its important we start this process to ensure Niagara and surrounding communities continue to have access to safe and reliable waste disposal services.

I've attached the Notice of Commencement that was published in local media outlets and also communicated to over 650 local stakeholders. Initial feedback has been very positive (we work very hard at managing campus impacts while being the best neighbour we can be)! Here is the link to the project website with lots of information available (www.southlandfillphase2.com).

If you would like to discuss the project more (i.e. key timelines/milestones), let me know – happy to provide a briefing. Additionally, I've attached some key messages we've shared with our senior managers/staff. If there is anything else I can help with let me know – we'll keep you informed throughout the process as we develop critically important resource recovery & waste management infrastructure here in the province!

Regards,
Darren

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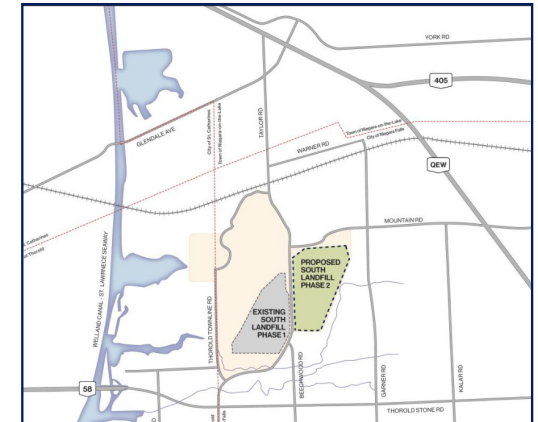
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 10:37:58 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2 Planning Process
Date: Friday, December 1, 2023 at 10:12:20 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: Dennis Edell, Paul Heron, Brian Custers
Attachments: Notice Commencement - South Landfill Phase2.pdf

Good morning Dennis, Paul & Brian.

I've been reaching out to community partners and wanted to let you know that Walker is beginning the planning process to extend the life of our current landfill through the development of the next phase (Phase 2). With only 8 years of capacity remaining, it's important we start this process to ensure Niagara continues to have access to safe and reliable waste disposal services.

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If you would like to meet to discuss the project, I'd be more than happy to arrange that. If you'd simply like to chat informally, happy to do so as well. I just wanted to make sure were in the loop.

Thanks and look forward to speaking soon,

Darren

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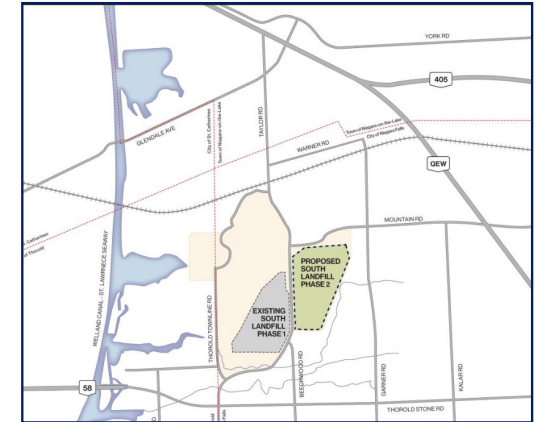
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Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 09:55:26 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 at 3:28:12 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Leticia Koole
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image001.jpg, image002.png, image003.png, image004.png, image005.png, image006.png, image007.jpg

From: Patti Bosco <PBosco@walkerind.com>
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 at 3:26 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>, Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>
Subject: FW: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill

Acknowledgment of announcement received. John has a new EA.

From: Sherry LaFratta <SLaFratta@silvergatehomes.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 1:31 PM
To: Patti Bosco <PBosco@walkerind.com>
Subject: RE: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill

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Hi Patti

Please to e-meet you as well.

Thank you for the communication and this has been shared with John as well.

Take care,
Sherry



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From: Patti Bosco <PBosco@walkerind.com>

Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 1:41 PM

To: Sherry LaFratta <SLaFratta@silvergatehomes.com>

Subject: Notification of Planning Process for Phase 2 of the South Landfill

Hi Sherry,

I am the Sales Manager here at Walker – pleasure to e-meet you!

I wanted to let you and John know that yesterday Walker announced the start of the planning process for the next phase of our Walker landfill at the Niagara Resource Management Campus.

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Furthermore, should you or John have any questions, concerns, or comments you'd like to discuss directly, feel free to reach out to me. Furthermore, I am happy to connect John with Darren Fry, our project team lead or perhaps the three of us could meet in person when time permits.

Take care and talk soon.

Thanks, Patti

Patti Bosco

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Subject: RE: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 12:26:41 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: [REDACTED]
CC: Cody Cabral

Perfect.

Either entrance works but the Taylor Rd entrance near Woodend is faster. Here's some google maps directions:
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/NByu1RXMYWd6gcGm6>

I'm in the Env. Bldg to the right of the pond – alternatively, you can call me when you arrive and I'll meet you 905.329.4265.

Let me know if there is anything else.
Thanks,
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 12:07 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Cc: Cody Cabral <CCabral@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 works for me. Donna I come in off Taylor Road or off Thorold Townline?

[REDACTED]

On Dec 5, 2023, at 11:57 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED] – tomorrow or Friday are pretty clear for me. Let me know which you prefer.

We should allow ~45-60min for the Campus tour and then some additional time for the interview.

Thanks,
Darren

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Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 11:36 AM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Cc: Cody Cabral <CCabral@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

Good morning, Darren. I am available any day this week to come for a tour of your campus. Let me know what works for you and where to meet you. Thanks.

[REDACTED]

On Dec 1, 2023, at 10:12 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Sounds good. Speak soon.
Darren

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Cc: Cody Cabral <CCabral@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

Hello Darren. That would be great to get to see your operation. Added info and photos for the article. My wife and I are away until later Monday. I am targeting the following week for the article. I will be in touch when we return.

[REDACTED]

On Dec 1, 2023, at 8:48 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Good morning [REDACTED],

Happy to do an interview. I can do the interview with you – let me know when works best for you.

Also – I’m happy to offer you a tour of our Campus if you haven’t had the chance to see everything. We’re in the final steps of commissioning our newest addition, the Renewable Natural Gas facility which cleans landfill gas and injects into the local Enbridge system providing a local source of green natural gas!

Cody – fyi, feel free to join us.

Thanks,
Darren

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Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 7:16 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Cc: Cody Cabral <CCabral@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

Great, thanks! Lots of information. My article will not be in next week's edition. Will strive for the following week. I will want to meet with you or anyone else connected to this update. Let me know who best to contact.

[REDACTED]

On Nov 30, 2023, at 6:02 PM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

The link is working for me now.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 5:08:11 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Notice - South Landfill Phase 2

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Feel free to call me direct anytime.

Regards,
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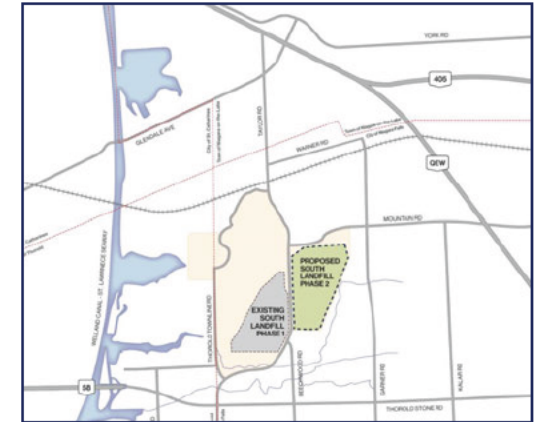
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December 5th, 2023

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Project Director

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Walker Environmental Group Inc.

Re: Letter of Support

Dear Darren,

I am pleased to provide this letter of endorsement and support for the development of Phase 2 of your South Landfill in Niagara Falls.

Over the years we at National Grating have been pleased to know Walker as a company of high caliber and have always been impressed by your intelligent, professional, safety-oriented staff. We know Walker to be a company that puts health and safety first and notice your dedication and consideration to the communities in which you operate.

As a composites company, we are often on the cutting edge of building technology as well as critical infrastructure development. We provide our services to several environmental infrastructure companies across North America and recognize the need for additional waste management capacity in Ontario as crucial to our economic development.

We look forward to continuing our working relationship with Walker. All the best on the project and please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any need.

Sincerely,

Dylan Thomas Powell

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'D. Powell'.

Branch & Sales Manager



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December 5, 2023

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
c/o minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Khanjin:

As a long-time community partner and beneficiary of Walker's philanthropic leadership, the Niagara Community Foundation (NCF) is honored to provide a letter of support for Walker's proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

NCF and Walker have been in partnership since the Foundation's inception in 2000 – nearly 25 years ago. Most recently, Walker supported the NCF's work on the Great Lakes Water One (GLOW) initiative which brought together organizations from the charitable sector, municipal government and private industry to work collaboratively on an information campaign on the importance and need for "natural infrastructure" in Niagara and throughout the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Our initiative was called "Unflood Ontario." Although the website is no longer supported as the project reached its conclusion a few years ago, here is a link to our YouTube video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bR8w4sX3-nw>. Not only was Walker one of the Major Sponsors of "Unflood Ontario," but they were a leading voice & participant around our conference table. Having an organization of their stature, leadership and commitment to the environment was a huge benefit for our group and a key to our success.

Like NCF, Walker is engrained in the Niagara region and has made the future success and sustainability of Niagara its priority. Walker's leadership is known around our region and in throughout Ontario for being excellent stewards of the environment and to the communities it serves. Walker continues to play a role in the growth of the Region, while continuing to be a good neighbor and supporter of charities across the Region. It is with this knowledge and confidence that NCF wholeheartedly supports Walker's proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

Thank you for your attention to this letter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly at: bryan.rose@niagaracommunityfoundation.org or (905)684-8688, ext. 22.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bryan Rose'.

Bryan J. Rose
Executive Director
Niagara Community Foundation

cc: clerk@niagarafalls.ca
ccabral@walkerind.com



Attachment Is The Answer.

December 5th, 2023

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
c/o minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Khanjin:

RAFT has a long history of partnership with Walker's both philanthropic and working. Walker's has shown a commitment to supporting Niagara's young people for over 20 years. Recently, Walker's has supplied a work vehicle and funding for our social enterprise which aids young people in trade skills while earning a wage. Other projects have introduced our youth to environmental stewardship and ecological innovation, which they excel at. In light of this, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for Walker's proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

Like RAFT, Walker is engrained in the Niagara community, and has deep family roots here. They have always prioritized environmental innovation and sustainability its priority. I look forward to seeing Walker's continuing development in the growth of the Region, while continuing to be a good neighbor and keystone supporter of charities across the Region.

Yours very truly,

Michael Lethby M.A.
Executive Director

cc: clerk@niagarafalls.ca
ccabral@walkerind.com

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
minister.mecp@ontario.ca

The Labourers' International Union of North America (LIUNA) is Canada's largest building trades union representing over 160 000 members who build and strengthen our country. Working in tandem with partners like Walker, we continue to build resilient infrastructure that attracts skilled talent and job creation, keeps our economy strong, and communities connected.

LIUNA's longstanding relationship with Walker is a testimony to our shared commitment to our workforce, industry and future of waste management solutions. For over forty years, Walker has played a key role in helping the community manage waste through safe disposal services. As Walker's existing South Landfill in Niagara Falls nears its final capacity, Walker is proposing to develop the next phase of the landfill to continue to provide waste management for local residents and businesses. We are committed to providing safe, responsible, and reliable solutions for the disposal, logistics and transfer of our community's waste.

We write to you today in our support for Walker and its proposed South Landfill Phase 2 project. Walker is not only is an industry leader in managing waste responsibly but adapts new technology and processes to recover more than 1 million tonnes of materials that would have been discarded to the landfill to create sustainable products, renewable energy, and commercial goods.

Part of the community for over 136 years, Walker's Resource Management Campus is an innovative and integrated approach to resource recovery, waste management and renewable energy. Its South Landfill plays a key role. As the Niagara region continues to grow, planning for long-term waste disposal capacity is increasingly important. Despite recycling and green bin composting efforts, landfill space is still needed for non-recyclable materials.

The South Landfill receives solid, non-hazardous industrial, commercial, and institutional (IC&I) waste from the Niagara region and surrounding communities across southwestern Ontario. Our goal is to continue innovating at the Resource Management Campus to efficiently recover resources by reducing and reusing waste materials, contributing to a circular economy, and safely managing residual waste that cannot be recycled.

Projects such as this, advance opportunities for a skilled and diverse workforce. Working with indigenous partners, women in trades and local communities we are empowering career building opportunities for a safe, skilled and productive workforce while addressing urgent infrastructure needs across the region, like the local waste management disposal at Walkers South Landfill.

Niagara's future waste management infrastructure relies on a skilled workforce and we stand in support of the future development of Walkers South Landfill and their o continued commitment to provide safe and reliable waste disposal solutions in Niagara over the next 20 years. The South Landfill plays a key role at Walker's Resource Management Campus which takes an innovative and integrated approach to resource recovery, renewable energy, and waste management.

Thank you

clerk@niagarafalls.ca
ccabral@walkerind.com

Subject: Comment Received, Walker - Phase 2 South Landfill
Date: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 10:23:24 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: [REDACTED]

Good morning [REDACTED],

Thank you for contacting us. I see that you have inquired about questions you've submitted regarding Walker's Uppers Quarry project. I will share your inquiry with our Uppers Quarry team.

If you have any further comments or questions about Phase 2 of the South Landfill at our existing Resource Management Campus, please feel free to contact me.

Warm Regards,
Darren

From: info@southlandfillphase2.com <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Date: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 10:57 PM
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Subject: New submission from Contact Form

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Your comments and feedback

I do not believe The Walkers Corporation care about the Environment and Communities they will be harming with there plans to take over agricultural land, beside existing subdivisions with their Plans. We have submitted questions and concerns regarding your Uppers Quarry Plans and you have not responded with science based, environmentally relevant answers. A dump behind home on wetland that are to be protected is an Environmentally harmful to rhe wildlife, water resources, fish ,, air quality and local Health and Welfare of the citizens who are living on your Plans Boarder. It is obvious you don't care and by your plans so far, not willing to mitigate the Reality of Multiple Risks your 'Plans' will impose on the Environment, wildlife, local businesses, communities and People. We chose not to live beside your present Quarries, Landfills and Dumps, but you just keep infecting the communities of Niagara for your own Profit and Exploitation of this beautiful Region. We have spoke loud and clear - Stop taking over our farmland, our forests, redirecting our streams and waterways and polluting our water, air and land. - you are not welcome or respected in the community. You are an infestation of destruction that generation will be Harmed by. No additional Quarry No Dump in Thorald / Niagara Falls - we have paid the price for your greed, far to long - Stop Walkers Uppers Quarry Proposal and Dump Plans. Shame on you for the Harmful Negative Legacy you bring to to Niagara and your name.

Would you like to be contacted for future project updates?

Yes

E.S. Fox Limited
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December 12, 2023

Attn: Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks

Via email: minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Dear Ms. Khanjin,

E.S. Fox Limited has been supporting Walker's operational needs for several decades here in Niagara. The continued growth of Walker's operations has been a contributing factor in our company's ability to provide sustainable employment within the Region.

E.S. Fox Limited provides Walker with electrical and mechanical construction services and they are an important customer to our business. Working alongside Walker, has given us a first-hand look at the organizations operations, their focus on safety and their desire to make the right decisions for the community and neighbours.

For these reasons, we are proud to provide this letter of support for Walker's proposed South Landfill Phase 2 development. This expansion not only offers our company and other local suppliers new opportunities, but we also recognize its importance for Niagara's growth and the urgent need for additional waste management capacity in the province.

Thank you for allowing us to provide this letter- we can be reached anytime at the number on this letter for any future discussions.

Yours sincerely,
E.S. Fox Limited

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Pat Cimek
Vice President, Construction and Fabrication Services

Cc: clerk@niagarafalls.ca
ccabral@walkerind.com

December 12, 2023

Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
Jim Diodati, Mayor of Niagara Falls and all Council Members

Sid Grabell Contracting Limited (SGC) has been supporting Walker's operational needs for more than 12 years. The continued growth of Walker's operations has been a contributing factor in our company's ability to provide sustainable employment within the region. In fact, part of the growth of our company has been from the services provided by our company to Walker's.

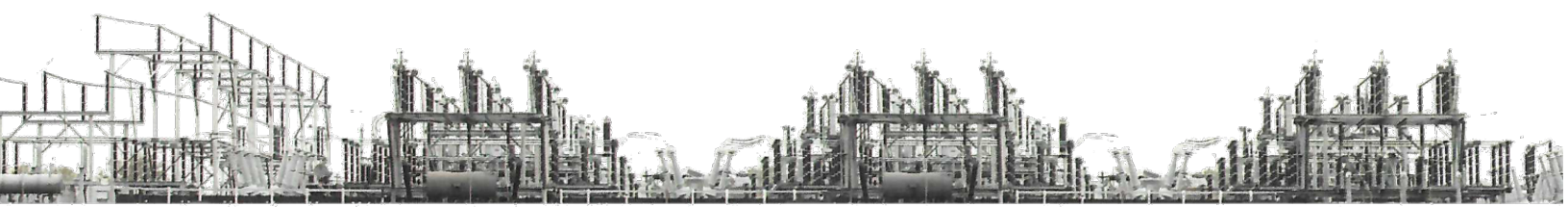
SGC provides Walker's many services including: electrical maintenance; electrical infrastructure supply and installation; high voltage electrical design, build and maintenance; generator maintenance, 24 hour emergency on-call service and various civil services such as hydro vacuuming, directional bore and trenching.

Working alongside Walker has given SGC a first-hand look at the organization's operations, focus on safety, and desire to make the right decisions for its community and neighbours. We were honored to work on the electrical portion of their Renewal Natural Gas project. Taking methane gas from the landfill and converting it into renewable energy for the natural gas distribution network demonstrates their commitment to both the environment and our community. For these reasons we are happy to provide a letter of support for Walker's proposed South Landfill Phase 2 development.

This expansion not only offers our local company and other suppliers' new opportunities, but we also recognize its importance for Niagara's growth and the urgent need for additional waste management capacity in the province.

Best regards,

Sid Grabell
President
Sid Grabell Contracting Limited



Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 08:50:51 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker, Phase 2 Public Engagement/Input Opportunities

Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 8:44:22 AM Eastern Standard Time

From: Darren Fry

To: [REDACTED]

Good morning [REDACTED] – it was nice to see you last night.

I wanted to quickly follow up on our discussion regarding consultation/input opportunities. Here is some additional information:

- The Open House on Dec. 14th is the first in a series of public information/input sessions. Additional sessions will occur at key milestones through-out the planning process.
- In addition to the Dec. 14th in-person session, Walker will make the Open House materials available on it's project website (www.southlandfillphase2.com) from Dec. 15th to Jan. 15th so members of the public can review the information and provide feedback at a time & place that works for them.
- Members of the public can also contact Walker via the project website at anytime through-out the planning process to leave a comment, ask a question or request a meeting.
- As part of the Environmental Assessment process, all input is recorded, considered and documented so the interested parties can see how their input helped inform the project.

I hope this additional information helps.

Ps – I see your note of last night and will respond to it separately and shortly.

Thanks,
Darren

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 08:46:44 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: RE: Walker Landfill Sites in Niagara and Elsewhere
Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 12:05:11 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: [REDACTED]
Attachments: Landfill Capacity Need.pdf

Hi [REDACTED],

Sorry for the delay (I had several meetings this am).

Here are some responses to your questions below:

- Walker only operates 1 landfill which is the South Landfill in Niagara. We do not own/operate landfills elsewhere in or outside of Niagara.
- Generally speaking, approximately 75% of waste generated in Niagara is currently managed by the South Landfill. This includes a portion of residential/curbside waste which is collected by the Region as well as commercial and institutional waste (i.e. businesses, schools, offices, etc.).
 - For additional context – the waste the Region collects (residential/curbside) is managed by 3 landfills in Niagara. These are Walker’s South Landfill and the Regions Humberstone Landfill in Welland and Regional Road 12 in Grimsby. This is what Geordie referenced last night during his remarks.
- Approximately 13% of waste generated in Niagara is exported to New York state to a landfill in Lewiston. The remaining approximately 13% is managed by the Region’s landfill as noted above.
- I’ve attached an info sheet for additional information.

If you’d like to chat more about waste generation/recycling (i.e. I call it Waste 101), I’d be more than happy to. For reference, a common misconception is that the waste generated at home (residential) is the only part of ones ‘waste footprint’. In reality, we generate waste at 1) home 2) work 3) and play; each is approximately 33%. I use the analogy of waste generated at an office (i.e. work) or when you go to a hockey game or movies and buy a hot dog and pop (i.e. play) in addition to the bag one puts out at the curb for bi-weekly pickup. Again, happy to chat more if you like.

I hope I’ve been helpful.

Regards,
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 8:00 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Walker Landfill Sites in Niagara and Elsewhere

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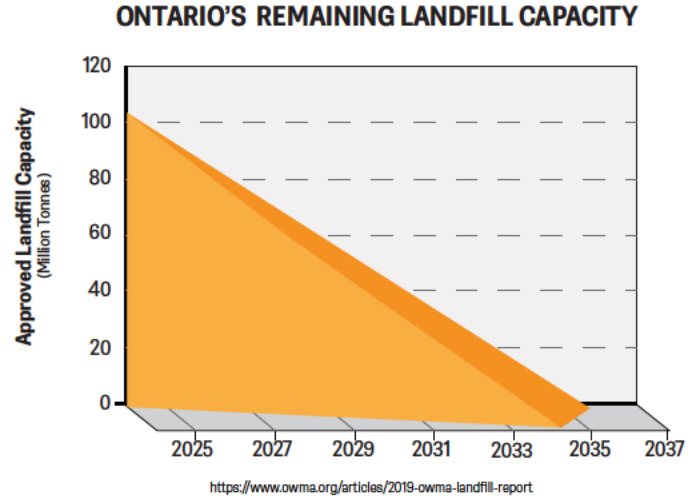
Hi Darren. Thank you so much to Walker for hosting the reception this evening. I am being asked questions about the south landfill and any other Walker landfill sites in Niagara and elsewhere outside on Niagara for Niagara based waste. Can you please comment on what percentage of Niagara waste goes into the South landfill, what percentage goes elsewhere as well as where the excess goes. Thank you.



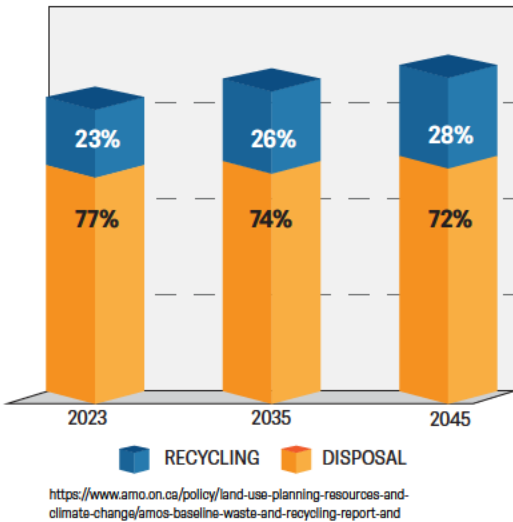
Niagara's Waste Disposal Solution

Ontario is expected to run out of landfill capacity by 2035

- Existing landfills are quickly filling up
- Population & waste generation are increasing
- It takes up to 10 years to develop new landfill capacity



ONTARIO'S RECYCLING & DISPOSAL RATES

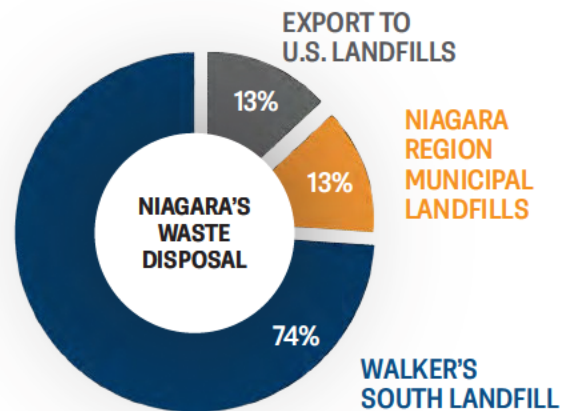


Despite recycling efforts, there will still be materials requiring safe disposal

- Even with increased recycling and Green Bin composting, landfills are still needed to safely manage residual waste

Niagara is no exception, additional disposal capacity is needed

- Over 2/3 of Niagara's waste is currently managed at the South Landfill, which is expected to reach capacity by 2030



* Based on historical recycling trends



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December 14, 2023

Subject: Endorsement of the Continuation of the Walker South Landfill

Dear Minister Khanjin
minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Teamsters Local 879 writes this letter to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to express our support for the continuation of the Walker South Landfill in Niagara Falls.

We aim to underscore the positive impact this facility has had on our community and the members we represent.

With a history spanning 136 years, Walker has been an integral part of the Niagara community, responsibly managing waste in Niagara and Southern Ontario for over four decades.

Throughout this period, Teamsters Local 879 has proudly represented Woodington Systems Inc, the waste and resource transportation division of Walker, operating from the same resource campus as the South Landfill.

Collectively, these two entities play a pivotal role in waste management and resource recovery from businesses and communities across Niagara and Southern Ontario.

Woodington sustains 26 full-time, highly skilled, and unionized positions for operators and mechanics, many of whom call Niagara home.

Over the years, Walker has consistently proven to be a reliable employer, contributing to the economic prosperity of its employees and the communities they reside in.

Further testament to Walker's commitment is its track record in environmental protection, health and safety, and community engagement.

The continuation of the Walker South Landfill and the supporting Walker Resource Campus aligns seamlessly with the objectives outlined in the Ministry's environmental policies.

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This ongoing commitment positively contributes to our community and the Province.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our community's perspective on this matter.

Please contact our office if you require additional information or wish to discuss this further.

Respectfully,

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Danny Mitchell
Sec./Tres. – Teamsters Union Local 879
Director, Solid Waste and Recycling Division – Teamsters Canada

cc: City of Niagara Falls: clerk@niagarafalls.ca
Walker: ccabral@walkerind.com

DM:mh

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 14:40:49 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: Walker EA/Open House

Date: Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 1:13:09 PM Eastern Standard Time

From: Darren Fry

To: [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED]

Just wanted to send a quick note to say thanks for stopping by the Open House last week. Sorry I didn't get a chance to say 'hi' – it was a busy evening.

I'd like to formally engage NC as a neighbour/stakeholder during this EA process. Let me know if you have any ideas on how best to do that. We did send a notice letter to Pam Skinner and I let Evan know as well. We can chat more in the New Year.

Have a great holiday season!!!

Darren

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
minister.mecp@ontario.ca
5th Floor, 777 Bay Street
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3

Via Email Only

December 21st, 2023

Minister Khanjin,

RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2

Alfred Beam Excavating has had a decades long partnership with Walker and relies on their critical and cost-effective disposal solutions. Moreover, we often consult with Walker staff on how to meet regulations specific to projects given the complex regulatory environment. They are an extremely professional and environmentally responsible organization. We are confident they would be excellent stewards of the responsibility that comes with operating the proposed landfill.

As a satisfied customer, we are pleased to provide this letter of support for Walker, and its proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

Alfred Beam Excavating Limited



Mr. Thomas Stack, CPA, MBA

CC (via email):

clerk@niagarafalls.ca
ccabral@walkerind.com



Subject: RE: Waste Facility Consultation

Date: Friday, December 22, 2023 at 9:59:13 AM Eastern Standard Time

From: Darren Fry

To: [REDACTED]

CC: [REDACTED] Elizabeth Duguay

Hello [REDACTED] and thank you for contacting us and providing input into the Environmental Assessment (EA) for Phase 2 of our South Landfill. I've reviewed your comments and am able to provide some responses and additional information. I've itemized your comments below:

1. Send information about future virtual meetings

- Response:
 - Sorry that we weren't able to attend our Open House on Dec. 14th. To ensure the information was available for all interested members of the public, we are providing a virtual version of the event which you can find at <https://southlandfillphase2.com/virtual-open-house>. You can review the information and provide feedback until January 15th, 2024. The Open House event materials will also be archived on our project website.
 - You can subscribe for updates through our main project page at <https://southlandfillphase2.com/>. Alternatively, with your permission, our team can make note of your e-mail address and add it to our contact list for future project updates.
 - Walker values community input and we will provide public consultation opportunities at key milestones throughout this planning process. Lastly – feel free to contact me directly anytime.

2. Encroachment of naturalized areas surrounding the existing quarry/future landfill

- Response:
 - One of the key reasons Walker has identified the quarry as a suitable candidate for the development of the next phase of the South Landfill is that it is a current existing industrial land use and this minimizes the need to develop green space such as agricultural lands or forested areas.
 - The current concept for the project does not envision any significant disturbance to forested areas outside of the existing quarry footprint.
 - As part of the EA, many studies will be done including an ecological (terrestrial and aquatic) study to minimize impact to the natural environment.
 - Reforestation and naturalization plays an important role in Walker's long-term vision of its properties and we will look at opportunities to increase forest canopy, habitat and ecological diversity on buffer lands around the project site.

3. Suggested north/south corridor for wildlife movement

- Response:
 - As noted above, as this planning process progresses, the development of detailed plans (i.e. buffer land uses, end use of the landfill once capped and closed) will occur and we'll note your feedback regarding habitat diversity and wildlife corridors (noting connectivity to the escarpment lands to the north of the project site).
 - There will be additional opportunities for review/feedback as the process moves forward.

4. Underutilized/unutilized land should be naturalized

- Response:
 - Walker has an ongoing program to evaluate land use and identify opportunities for improvement. Some recent examples include the transitioning of marginal farmland back to a naturalized state (forest, meadow, etc). We work closely with community partners such as Niagara College, Vineland Research and Indigenous communities to identify opportunities for land improvement opportunities that help meet the needs of the community.

5. Presence of Species-at-Risk and proposed mitigation measures

- Response:
 - As part of the EA, the ecological study will identify the presence of any Species-at-Risk and mitigation/management options (such as habitat improvement).

6. Leachate Management & Treatment

- Response:
 - Ontario laws/regulations for landfill operations require landfills to capture leachate (via bottom liner systems and leachate collection systems) so it can be treated. This is the case with our currently operating Phase 1 of the South Landfill. More information can be found on our project website.
 - As part of the EA, we will be assessing treatment options which include system capacities and other considerations such as storage during precipitation events, etc.

7. Planning for the landfill should work in tandem with increasing composting efforts

- Response:
 - Agree. Walker composts all of the Green Bin organic materials from Niagara Region at its Resource Management Campus in Niagara Falls (where the South Landfill is also located). We work closely with the Region and the community at large to help raise awareness (talks in school, community events and outreach, etc.) of the importance of using green bin as well as blue and grey bin programs. Over the last year, Walker has invested significantly and expanded our compost facilities to support increased diversion of organic materials. The end-product, compost is then used to return vital nutrients and organic matter back to the land. Walker is actually the largest composter of food waste in Canada. Here's a link to some info you might find interesting <https://walkerind.com/sustainability-2022/>
 - Organic matter that ends up in the landfill creates landfill gas which Walker collects and uses to generate renewable electricity and natural gas which reduce Niagara's reliance on fossil based energy sources. Currently, we generate the equivalent amount of renewable energy at our Niagara Campus to power 25,000 homes.

8. Suggestion to use clear garbage bags to encourage composting

- Response:
 - Thank you. This is a great idea to increase participation in the Region's Green Bin program. We will share this feedback with staff at the Niagara Region as well as local elected officials.

Thanks again for this very thoughtful and informative feedback. I hope my responses were helpful. Please feel free to subscribe to our project website (noted above) if you would like to be contacted directly for updates on the project.

Warm regards and Happy Holidays!
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2023 4:02 PM
To: contact walkerind.com <contact@walkerind.com>;
Subject: Waste Facility Consultation

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I was not able to attend the Public Meeting on the waste facility that Walker had a few weeks ago. Please send me any links or notices about future virtual meetings.

There are a few matters that I would like to comment about at the outset. First one of the good things about the existing quarry that is going to be converted into a landfill, is that there is an existing forest that was planted as a buffer. I hope that this forest and other existing natural areas that serve as a buffer will not be encroached upon by the new landfill.

It is to be hoped that in addition to a mere buffer, the opportunity will be taken to have a north south corridor through the length of the new facility in in proximity to existing buffers for wildlife movement. Any land that is not needed for landfill purposes, should be put into some form of natural habitat. While forests are the norm for this area, the exact nature of the habitat could be determined through a process of public consultation. Studies should be published to demonstrate what Species At Risk currently exist in the area, so that the buffer can be designed to improve their habitat.

The new landfill should have facilities to collect any leachate which should be directed to the sewage treatment system. This needs to be carefully designed to avoid overloading this system, perhaps with shut off valves to prevent discharges during precipitation events.

Planning for the landfill needs to be done in connection with having better programs to reduce compostable waste. Niagara's rate of waste reduction is significantly less than the most successful municipality in the province, Markham. One way of reducing compostable waste is to have clear bags, which produces moral suasion against putting compostable material into garbage bags. Compostable material in garbage is the biggest source of leachate.

Keeper of the Flame



Dec 27, 2023

Hon. Andrea Khanjin

Minister of Environment, Conservation & Parks

Re: Walker's South Landfill Ph2

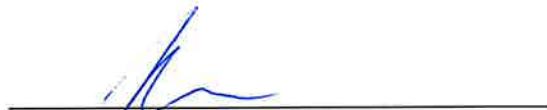
SilverLine Group Inc and SilverGate Homes both have had a longstanding partnership with Walker and rely on their critical and cost-effective disposal solutions. Walker continues to provide competitive prices, reliable capacity and disposal solutions, and great customer service to both our companies.

As a satisfied customer, SilverLine Group Inc is happy to provide this letter of support for Walker, and its proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

Our organization relies on Walker's South Landfill for our local waste management disposal solution for both our construction bin service offered by SilverLine Group across the Niagara Region and disposal solutions for our SilverGate Homes communities.

Walker not only is an industry leader in managing waste responsibly but adapts new technology and processes to recover more than 1 million tonnes of materials that would have been discarded to the landfill to create sustainable products, renewable energy, and commercial goods.

Thank you for your consideration



John Passero, President



Tim Nurton, General Manager SilverLine Group



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P: 905-382-2393 F: 905-382-2706

December 29, 2023

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment,
Conservation and Parks

Via email: minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Re: Letter of support for Walker, and its proposed South Landfill Phase 2

V. Gibbons Contracting Ltd. has had a longstanding partnership with Walker and relies on their critical and cost-effective disposal solutions Walker continues to provide competitive prices, reliable capacity and disposal solutions, and great customer service.

As a satisfied customer, V. Gibbons Contracting Ltd. is happy to provide this letter of support for Walker, and its proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

Our organization relies on Walker's South Landfill for our local waste management disposal solution.

Walker not only is an industry leader in managing waste responsibly but adapts new technology and processes to recover more than 1 million tonnes of materials that would have been discarded to the landfill to create sustainable products, renewable energy, and commercial goods.

You may contact me directly on my cell phone at 905-651-3274 or by email at v.gibbons@vgibbonscontracting.com

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Vaughn Gibbons", is written over a large, faint, light-blue circular watermark that is a stylized version of the company logo.

Vaughn Gibbons
President
V. Gibbons Contracting Ltd.

cc: clerk@niagarafalls.ca
ccabral@walkerind.com





January 12th, 2024

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
777 Bay St- 5th Floor
Toronto, ON
M7A 2J3

RE: Proposed South Landfill Phase 2

Peters Construction Group has had a longstanding partnership with Walker and relies on their critical and cost-effective disposal solutions on many of our projects.

Walker not only is an industry leader in managing waste responsibly but adapts new technology to create sustainable products, renewable energy, and commercial goods.

Walker continues to provide competitive prices, reliable capacity and great customer service. As a satisfied customer, Peters Construction Group is happy to provide this letter of support for Walker, and its proposed South Landfill Phase 2.

Sincerely,

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Darren Peters, President
Peters Constriction Group

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 13:30:19 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: RE: New submission from Contact Form
Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 2:16:26 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay
To: [REDACTED]

Good afternoon [REDACTED],

This email is to confirm that our team has added your information to our contact list for the South Landfill Phase 2 project.

Please feel free to reach out to me directly should you have any questions.

Kind regards,
Elizabeth

From: info@southlandfillphase2.com <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Date: Friday, January 12, 2024 at 4:02 PM
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Subject: New submission from Contact Form

First Name
[REDACTED]
Last Name
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Email
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Phone
[REDACTED]
Would you like to be contacted for future project updates?
Yes

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 11:04:39 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice
Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 at 11:14:20 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Leticia Koole
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image001.png, image002.png, image003.png, image004.png, image005.png, image006.png, image007.jpg, image008.png, image009.png, image010.png, image011.png, image012.png, image013.png, image014.jpg

From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 at 11:04 AM
To: 'Mishka Balsom' <mishka@gncc.ca>
Cc: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>, Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>, Hugo Chesshire <hugo@gncc.ca>
Subject: RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

Hi Mishka,

Thank you for the prompt response.

I will send out a meeting invitation to you and Hugo shortly.

We are very excited to share our plans with you!

Elizabeth

From: Mishka Balsom <mishka@gncc.ca>
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2024 10:57 AM
To: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Cc: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>; Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>; Hugo Chesshire <hugo@gncc.ca>
Subject: Re: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

Hello Elizabeth,

Very much looking forward to meeting with you.

Thursday, February 08 at 10:00 am would work best for us. I have asked my colleague Hugo Chessire, Director of Policy and GR, to join us as well.

Have a great weekend.

Mishka

Mishka Balsom, CEO

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From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>

Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 at 09:08

To: Mishka Balsom <mishka@gncc.ca>

Cc: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>, Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>

Subject: RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

Good morning Mishka,

Happy New Year!

I'm following up on the below to arrange a meeting with GNCC to introduce the proposal for the next phase of our South Landfill (Phase 2).

I've proposed a few meeting times for the week of February 5th:

- Tuesday, February 6th, 2:00 – 3:30pm
- Thursday, February 8th, 10:00 – 11:30pm
- Friday, February 9th, 9:30 – 11:00am

Please let me know if any of these dates work for you. We are happy to either host or meet at your offices.

Kind regards,
Elizabeth

Elizabeth Duguay

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From: Elizabeth Duguay
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 12:22 PM
To: 'Mishka Balsom' <mishka@gncc.ca>
Cc: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

Hi Mishka,

Thank you for confirming receipt.

We will be reaching out in the coming weeks to schedule a meeting with GNCC in the New Year.

Kindest regards,
Elizabeth

From: Mishka Balsom <mishka@gncc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2023 12:10 PM
To: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Cc: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

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Hello Elizabeth,

Thank you very much for sharing the information.

Regretfully, I will out of the office on the day of your open house but look forward to connecting upon my return.

Best,

Mishka

Mishka Balsom, CEO

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From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>

Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:34

To: Mishka Balsom <mishka@gncc.ca>

Cc: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference & Open House #1 Notice

Good morning Mishka,

I received your contact information from my colleague Darren Fry (cc'ed) and it's my understanding that

you spoke with him yesterday regarding the launch of Walker's South Landfill Phase 2 project.

Attached is a letter providing further information on the proposal, including the Notice of Commencement of a Terms of Reference and Open House #1 Notice.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Duguay

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Monday, February 12, 2024 at 15:33:20 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: RE: Walker, Meeting Request - South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 1:49:35 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: 'Traci Luongo'
Attachments: image001.jpg

Hi Traci,

There is no need for a meeting – I just wanted to ensure you and your team have all the information and know where to go if you have any questions. As a neighbour, you won't notice any difference in our operation but as part of the approval process I want to make sure we're as transparent as possible. We'll surely continue to rely on the great hospitality you've shown us over the years for event/meeting space and meals!!

We have a project website if you're curious or have questions (www.southlandfillphase2.com). We'll commit to keeping you informed at key stages in the process.

Thanks again – reach out anytime if you need anything!
Darren

From: Traci Luongo <tluong@whiteoaksresort.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 11:27 AM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Meeting Request - South Landfill Phase 2

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Good Morning Darren,

I have spoken with the Leadership team and while it would be great to hear all about it in person everyone's schedules are so very busy! Do you happen to have something in digital (other than what you sent already) that you wanted to share? I can share it with the team and if any questions come up I can be sure to reach out?

Does this work for you?
Thank you in advance for your complete transparency!!

Traci

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On Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 3:27 PM Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi Traci,

I trust all is well. As we begin the planning process to extend the life of our South Landfill by developing the next phase (Phase 2), I'm reaching out to see if you and the senior management team would be interested in meeting. We want to make sure we develop the project in a way that works for the community and it starts with hearing from our closest neighbours and community business partners.

I would be happy to provide an overview of the project and planning process, gather your feedback and answering any questions I can.

Let me know, I'm happy to provide some dates if that works for you.

Warm regards,
Darren

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Monday, February 12, 2024 at 14:15:52 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Walker, Meeting Request - South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 12:08:13 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image001.jpg

RoC - businesses

From: Darren Fry
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 12:08 PM
To: 'Tournament Coordinator RN' <tournament@royalniagara.com>
Cc: jchappell@kaneffgolf.com
Subject: RE: Walker, Meeting Request - South Landfill Phase 2

Hi Matt – the 31st at 11 am works well. We can surely meet at Royal Niagara.

Look forward to meeting.
Darren

From: Tournament Coordinator RN <tournament@royalniagara.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 10:34 AM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Cc: jchappell@kaneffgolf.com
Subject: RE: Walker, Meeting Request - South Landfill Phase 2

Hi Darren,

Weds 31st would work, say 11am? Could we do it this end, I would like our superintendent to be present.

All the best,
Matt

On Tue, 23 Jan 2024 18:52:52 +0000, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi Matt,

How would the following dates work:

Wednesday, January 31 anytime between 10 am – 12 pm
Thursday, February 1 anytime between 10 am – 12 pm
Friday, February 2 anytime between 10 am – 2 pm

Happy to host you here or vice versa.

Speak soon,
Darren

From: Tournament Coordinator RN <tournament@royalniagara.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 10:13 AM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Meeting Request - South Landfill Phase 2

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Hi Darren,

Nice to meet you!

Happy to chat, Jon (superintendent) and myself are back in the office part-time; Mon-Thurs between 10-2pm. Let me know a date/ time that suits and I will make sure we are free.

Kind regards,
Matt

On Mon, 22 Jan 2024 20:20:15 +0000, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hello Matt,

I'm Darren, a long-time employee here at Walker and Project Director for the planning process to extend the life of our South Landfill by developing the next phase (Phase 2).

As a neighbour, I wanted to reach out and see if you would be interested in meeting to discuss our plans and gather any feedback you'd like to share. Being the best neighbour we can be is important to us and I want to make sure we get a wide range of input so we can develop the project in a way that works for the community.

Let me know – happy to grab a few coffees, come down the hill and have a chat.

Warm regards,
Darren

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January 31, 2024

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks

CC:

clerk@niagarafalls.ca

councilmembers@niagarafalls.ca

Re: Support for the Continuation of Walker's South Landfill in the Niagara Region

Dear Minister Khanjin,

We are writing to express our full support for the continuation of Walker's South Landfill. This facility is a vital part of Niagara Falls' waste management infrastructure and has had a significant positive impact on our community.

The Niagara Home Builders Association has been the voice of the home building industry as well as the new home purchaser in Niagara for more than 6 decades. Our 180 plus member companies and are responsible to deliver the much-needed shelter for all residence and such is the reason for this correspondence and without a service such as the South Landfill continuation attainability will be harder to achieve.

Walker's South Landfill has been an integral part of our waste management infrastructure for more than a decade, effectively serving the environmental and economic needs of our community. The responsible management and operation of this facility have contributed to the well-being of our residents and the sustainability of our region.

Walker operations have consistently adhered to and exceeded environmental regulations and standards and have implemented advanced waste management practices to minimize its ecological footprint.

Walker's South Landfill has been a source of employment for many residents, providing approximately ~500 job opportunities which helps contribute to the economic growth of the Niagara Community. Additionally, the continuation of the South Landfill will provide an affordable approach to avoid high tax increases and service fees as well as the costs associated with building the much-needed housing and help enable our members to achieve the goals as put forth by this government.

By allowing the south landfill continuance and having the waste of the Niagara residents landfilled in Niagara is certainly more environmentally friendly then the impact it would have on the environment to ship it out of Niagara which would involve hundreds of semi-trailers moving down our already congested highways and add to the cost of living for all the citizens across the peninsula.

We believe that the continuation of Walker's South Landfill aligns with the goals outlined in your ministry's environmental policies and will make positive contributions to our municipality and province.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely,



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Niagara Home Builders' Association
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Thursday, February 8, 2024 at 11:09:17 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Walker Contacts - Aggregates/Soils
Date: Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 11:47:51 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: South Landfill Phase 2

From: Tournament Coordinator RN <tournament@royalniagara.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 10:36 AM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker Contacts - Aggregates/Soils

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Hi Darren,

Great meeting you, I enjoyed our chat. Likewise, if there is anything we can do this end for you and your colleagues, please let us know.

Enjoy Netflix Six Nations, all the best,
Matt

On Wed, 31 Jan 2024 19:57:28 +0000, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi Matt/Jon - great to meet today,

Just wanted to say thanks for the tour and to let me and Anthony know if we can help with any stone, compost, soil, etc needs you may have down at the golf course. As a close neighbour, happy to help out where we can.
I've copied Anthony Bove – sales for our aggregates team.

Darren

Thursday, February 8, 2024 at 15:44:32 Eastern Standard Time

Subject: FW: Walker Environmental, South Landfill Phase 2 - Meeting Request
Date: Friday, January 26, 2024 at 10:09:10 AM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry
To: South Landfill Phase 2
Attachments: image14ead1.JPG

RoC - associations

From: Chris Mullet Koop <elmfarm32@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2024 10:37 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker Environmental, South Landfill Phase 2 - Meeting Request

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Hi Darren,

Thanks for reaching out. I am in Australia until mid February, however, I will pass this along to the NFA exec and get back to you. I think it would be great if you could speak to our NFA directors on this.

Will be in touch.
Cheers,

Chris Mullet Koop
Elmwood Farms Inc.
3520 19th Street
Jordan, ON L0R 1S0
Cell: 289-990-3964
Web: www.getcracking.ca

On Thu, Jan 25, 2024 at 3:42 PM Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hello Chris and Charlene,

My name is Darren and I'm the Project Director for Walker's planning process to extend the life of our current landfill in Niagara Falls by developing the next phase (Phase 2).

We have safely managed Niagara's and surrounding communities waste that isn't reused or recycled for over 40 yrs. We want to ensure the continuation of this service and have started the multi-year

planning process to do this, called an Environmental Assessment (EA). I've attached a copy of our public notice for reference. Additionally, we have a project website that has lots of information about the project and process. (www.southlandfillphase2.com)

Phase 2 of our South Landfill, much like Phase 1, will be developed in a former quarry so that we reused existing industrial lands and minimize any impact/disturbance or loss of agricultural lands. We will be conducting an Agricultural Study as part of the EA working with Sean Colville of Coville Consulting. As we begin this process – I simply wanted to reach out, introduce myself and the project and if you are interested, set up a meeting to talk more. Incorporating community input into the project is important to Walker.

Let me know and I'll happily provide some date to meet in-person or virtually, whatever works best for you.

Regards,
Darren

Ps – as a side note, Walker is an OFA member as we are a large land holder, much of which are agricultural lands. We work closely with Kyle and Darryl of Beaverloch Farms; they work our buffer lands around our landfill and even an experimental/research field on top of one of our closed landfills. We've also done some pretty innovative rehabilitation with our quarry properties too – here's our Edgerock Vineyard at our Vineland Quarry.
<https://walkeraggregates.com/featured-case-study>

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February 15, 2024

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
Via email: minister.mecp@ontario.ca
cc:/ clerk@niagarafalls.ca
councilmembers@niagarafalls.ca

Dear Minister Khanjin,

Re: Support for the Continuation of Walker's South Landfill in Niagara Region

DeKay Construction (1987) Ltd. is writing to convey our full support for the continuation of Walker's South Landfill, a vital facility in Niagara Falls, and to bring attention to the notably positive impact it has had on our province.

Walker's South Landfill has been an integral part of our waste management processes for many years which have allowed us to successfully complete multiple development projects in the GTA and southern Ontario thereby assisting in serving the environmental and economic needs of our province. It is our opinion that Walker's Landfill in the Niagara Region is the best managed and operated landfill in Ontario. The responsible management and operation of this facility clearly has had a positive impact on the environment, the community, the success of our business as it relates to the successful completion of construction projects, and ultimately the sustainability of our province's communities.

Walker's South Landfill in Niagara provides hundreds of job opportunities both directly and indirectly and is a contributor to the region's growth. The facility meets and exceeds environmental regulations, implements advanced waste management practices, and promotes sustainable waste management by reducing, reusing, and recycling materials. The landfill is locally managed and owned and is a major contributor to the region and the province and has been so for decades.

We believe that the continuation of Walker's South Landfill aligns with the goals outlined in your ministry's environmental policies. We are confident that the facility will continue to operate responsibly and make positive contributions to our county and the province of Ontario.

We appreciate your dedication to environmental stewardship and your consideration of our community's perspective on this matter. If you require any additional information or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me at our office. Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,
DeKay Construction (1987) Ltd.

Tom DeKay



Subject: RE: Walker, Follow-up
Date: Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 4:00:09 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
To: [REDACTED]

Thanks [REDACTED] – I'll check in with you a few days prior and confirm things.
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2024 3:43 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Follow-up

Mar 12 should work

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 22, 2024, at 3:37 PM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Thanks [REDACTED]

How would Mar. 11th (Mon) or 12th (Tues) in the afternoon work? We'll have a copy of the Terms of Reference available to review by then. Happy to meet whenever you like.

Regards,
Darren

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2024 3:11 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Follow-up

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Hi Darren

Sure I can meet with you unsure about [REDACTED]. Let me know what dates you have in mind.

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On Feb 22, 2024, at 11:29 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hello [REDACTED]

I trust you and [REDACTED] are well.

I wanted to reach out and let you know we've been working on a number of things we spoke about before the holidays (Holiday Gathering and Phase 2 Open House) and wondered if you would like to arrange a time to meet (in-person or a call works).

Here are a few things I've been working on/would like to discuss:

1. Amending your PVP Agreement
2. Review views of existing berm and action plan moving forward
3. Efforts on identifying the source and resolving back-up alarms
4. Dust/Odour and other items you, [REDACTED] and I discussed
5. Your interest in participating in a CLC for the EA (I know we an active member during the initial South Landfill EA process)

Lastly, I also wanted to let you know that we'll be issuing a draft Terms of Reference on/about Mar. 7th. We'll be providing a 45 day review period and would be more than happy to meet with you and [REDACTED] to walk you through the document and gather you're feedback.

I look forward to hearing from you and feel free to contact me anytime.

Regards,
Darren

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Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 3:35:07 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
To: Juteria Genya Munroe <admin@clubitalia.ca>
CC: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference - Letter (Club Italia).pdf

Hello,

We are reaching out to provide an update on our South Landfill Phase 2 project. As you may recall, on November 30, 2023, Waker announced the start of the planning process to develop the next phase of its South Landfill in Niagara Falls and initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the *Environmental Assessment Act*.

We are pleased to share that a draft Terms of Reference (ToR) is now available for public review and comment and can be accessed through our project website at southlandfillphase2.com.

The ToR is the first step in the EA process and serves as the roadmap for what will be studied and the consultation activities that will take place during the following EA step. Please review the attached letter for additional details.

We look forward to receiving your feedback on the draft ToR. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to connect with us at any time.

Sincerely,

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Website: southlandfillphase2.com

March 7, 2024

Genya Munroe
Office Administrator
Club Italia
2525 Montrose Road
Niagara Falls, ON L2H 0T9

Dear Genya Munroe,

Subject: **Public Comments Invited on the Draft Terms of Reference
Walker Environmental Group – South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment**

On November 30, 2023, Walker Environmental Group (Walker) shared our plans to develop the next phase of the South Landfill (Phase 2) at our Niagara Resource Management Campus and initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. Phase 2 will provide the Niagara region with an additional 20 years of much-needed disposal capacity and allow Walker to continue to deliver safe, affordable, and reliable waste disposal services to the community.

Since the announcement of South Landfill Phase 2, Walker has been meeting with local residents, government agencies, Indigenous communities, and other key stakeholders to gather feedback on the proposal. A public open house was held in-person on December 14, 2023 and virtually from December 15, 2023 – January 15, 2024 to obtain initial input from the community. We thank all those who attended and shared their feedback. A copy of the information presented at this event can be found on our project website at southlandfillphase2.com.

The feedback we have received on Phase 2 has been carefully considered and incorporated into a draft Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR is the first step in the EA process and will serve as Walker's workplan for the technical studies that will be conducted and the consultation activities that will occur during the subsequent EA step. The draft ToR for South Landfill Phase 2 is now available for review, and we are seeking your input.

The draft ToR document can be accessed on our website at southlandfillphase2.com and is available for comment until April 22, 2024. Comments can be submitted through our website, via email at info@southlandfillphase2.com, by phone at 1-866-699-9425, or by mail to the following address:

Attn: Darren Fry, Project Director
Walker Environmental Group
2800 Thorold Townline Rd, Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6S4

A copy of the document is also available for in-person review at Walker's Corporate Office upon request. Please contact 1-866-699-9425 to schedule your visit.

As a neighbour, your input on the draft ToR is important to us and ensures that community feedback is incorporated into the final ToR, which will be submitted for approval by the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Sincerely,



Darren Fry, Project Director

Phone: 1-866-699-9425

Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

Website: southlandfillphase2.com

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 3:35:32 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
To: 'mishka@gncc.ca' <mishka@gncc.ca>, Hugo Chesshire <hugo@gncc.ca>
CC: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference - Letter (GNCC).pdf

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Sincerely,

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March 7, 2024

Mishka Balsom
CEO
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Dear Mishka Balsom,

Subject: **Public Comments Invited on the Draft Terms of Reference
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Attn: Darren Fry, Project Director
Walker Environmental Group
2800 Thorold Townline Rd, Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6S4

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Sincerely,



Darren Fry, Project Director

Phone: 1-866-699-9425

Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

Website: southlandfillphase2.com

cc: Hugo Chesshire, Director of Policy & Government Relations

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 3:35:20 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
To: 'bmaves@sbmc.ca' <bmaves@sbmc.ca>
CC: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference - Letter (HRI Lodging).pdf

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Sincerely,

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March 7, 2024

Bart Maves
HRI Lodging
bmaves@sbmc.ca

Dear Bart Maves,

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Website: southlandfillphase2.com

Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 3:35:13 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
To: 'joe@perridiso.com' <joe@perridiso.com>
CC: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
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Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com
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March 7, 2024

Joe Perri
Perridiso Estate Winery
176 Warner Road
Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0
joe@perridiso.com

Dear Joe Perri,

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Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference
Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 3:35:04 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
To: 'tournament@royalniagara.com' <tournament@royalniagara.com>
CC: 'jchappell@kaneffgolf.com' <jchappell@kaneffgolf.com>, South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment - Draft Terms of Reference - Letter (Royal Niagara).pdf

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Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com
Website: southlandfillphase2.com

March 7, 2024

Matt Rideout
Royal Niagara Golf Club
1 Niagara-on-the-Green Boulevard
Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0
tournament@royalniagara.com

Dear Matt,

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Phone: 1-866-699-9425

Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

Website: southlandfillphase2.com

cc: John Chappell

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]-Thank You & Project Update - Walker South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Monday, March 11, 2024 at 9:33:56 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Category: Yellow category
Attachments: image001.jpg

From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 9:04 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]-Thank You & Project Update - Walker South Landfill Phase 2

Good morning [REDACTED],

Thank you for letting me know.

The website address is southlandfillphase2.com and should not have had "ea" in the hyperlink.

My apologies. Please let me know if you have any issues accessing the website.

Kindest regards,
Elizabeth

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 8:26:53 AM
To: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]-Thank You & Project Update - Walker South Landfill Phase 2

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Hi Elizabeth,

The site appears not to be working. I checked on the 7th and again just now using the link in your e-mail below.

Has the draft EA been released?

Please advise and where I may find the page with the information, thanks.

Sincerely,



From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 4:04 PM

To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]-Thank You & Project Update - Walker South Landfill Phase 2

Hello,

On behalf of Walker, we thank you for taking the time to attend Open House #1 for the South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment (EA) on December 14, 2023 at Club Italia. We hope that you found it helpful in introducing the project and a valuable forum for providing your input.

Your presence at the event was appreciated and allowed us to gather meaningful feedback on our proposal, which will be considered and incorporated into our future development plans.

We are reaching out as we are approaching a key milestone in the EA process – the release of a draft Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR is the first step in the EA process and is a document that serves as the roadmap for what will be studied in the EA and outlines the public consultation that will take place. The draft ToR will be available on our project website as of March 7, 2024 at southlandfillphase2ea.com and your input is encouraged.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

The South Landfill Phase 2 Team

*** You are receiving this email as you have either provided your email at Open House #1 or requested to be added to the project contact list. If you do not wish to receive updates, please respond to this email.*

Elizabeth Duguay

Planning & Community Engagement Lead
Environmental Division

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Subject: Clarification on our Last Email - Walker South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Monday, March 11, 2024 at 9:51:39 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
CC: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Category: Yellow category

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Phone: 1-866-699-9425

Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

Website: southlandfillphase2.com

Subject: FW: Clarification on our Last Email - Walker South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Monday, March 11, 2024 at 10:17:34 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: image92a46a.JPG

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 10:11 AM
To: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Clarification on our Last Email - Walker South Landfill Phase 2

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Thank-you Elizabeth:

I am very interested in this proposal and have looked at the web site. I have a few questions that I will faks you once I have read all the information on your site.

Regards,

On Mon, Mar 11, 2024 at 9:51 AM Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com> wrote:

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Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

Website: southlandfillphase2.com

Elizabeth Duguay

Planning & Community Engagement Lead
Environmental Division

Subject: RE: Walker, Follow-up
Date: Monday, March 11, 2024 at 3:15:58 PM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
To: [REDACTED]

Thanks [REDACTED]

I'll see you at 2.
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 2:07 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Follow-up

Ok my address is [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 11, 2024, at 1:40 PM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Anytime after 2 works for me – whatever is most convenient for you.

Thanks,
Darren

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 1:38 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Follow-up

Hi Darren
Yes you can come by my place if you like . What time are you thinking?
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 11, 2024, at 10:15 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Good morning [REDACTED],

Just wanted to check in and see if you're still free to meet tomorrow? Happy have a phone call or meet in person – what ever you prefer.

Thanks,

Darren

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2024 3:43 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Walker, Follow-up

Mar 12 should work

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 22, 2024, at 3:37 PM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Thanks [REDACTED],

How would Mar. 11th (Mon) or 12th (Tues) in the afternoon work? We'll have a copy of the Terms of Reference available to review by then. Happy to meet whenever you like.

Regards,

Darren

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Subject: Re: Walker, Follow-up

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Hi Darren
Sure I can meet with you unsure about [REDACTED]. Let me know what dates you have in mind.
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 22, 2024, at 11:29 AM, Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hello [REDACTED]

I trust you and [REDACTED] are well.

I wanted to reach out and let you know we've been working on a number of things we spoke about before the holidays (Holiday Gathering and Phase 2 Open House) and wondered if you would like to arrange a time to meet (in-person or a call works).

Here are a few things I've been working on/would like to discuss:

1. Amending your PVP Agreement
2. Review views of existing berm and action plan moving forward
3. Efforts on identifying the source and resolving back-up alarms
4. Dust/Odour and other items you, Sandi and I discussed
5. Your interest in participating in a CLC for the EA (I know we an active member during the initial South Landfill EA process)

Lastly, I also wanted to let you know that we'll be issuing a draft Terms of Reference on/about Mar. 7th. We'll be providing a 45 day review period and would be more than happy to meet with you and [REDACTED] to walk you through the document and gather you're feedback.

I look forward to hearing from you and feel free to contact me anytime.

Regards,
Darren

Darren Fry, A.Sc.T

Subject: RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - ToR Comments
Date: Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 3:53:15 PM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
To: [REDACTED]
CC: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Attachments: image001.jpg

Hello [REDACTED],

Thank you for reaching out and providing feedback on our Draft Terms of Reference for Phase 2 of Walker's South Landfill. I'm Darren Fry, the Project Director, and wanted to let you to know we've received your comments and will provide a response in the coming days.

Additionally, if you are interested, I'm happy to meet in person or virtually to discuss any other questions you may have. Incorporating community input into the project is a key objective for Walker.

Thanks again,
Darren

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2024 10:44 AM
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Cc: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - ToR Comments

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Hello,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Terms of Reference for your South Landfill Phase 2 project.

The documentation associated with the Terms of Reference appear to be thorough, although the public needs to be assured that the assessment, evaluation, and monitoring activities are actually carried out as stated.

I appreciate seeing that the "Local Study Area" appears to include the relevant mix of land, air and water, and that "Climate change mitigation and adaptation measures will be reviewed as part of the detailed site design... during the impact assessment stage of the South Landfill Phase 2 EA"

That said,

I am still extremely concerned with the following:

1. The acceptance of toxic and/or near toxic materials, including Durham Region's 'fly ash'. I understand that this is deemed "non-hazardous", however independent third party testing for mercury, arsenic, copper, and chromium within the LSA is required.
2. Water/soil contamination from landfill liquids leaching into and polluting existing groundwater, surface water and land
I understand that Walker's landfill areas are specially lined to prevent water from escaping the property, however I have my doubts. The appropriate testing by independent third parties with the LSA is absolutely required.
3. **The levels of methane and other VOCs that are not captured as RNG by Walker. As the City of Thorold attempts to lower its GHGs, Walker emissions must also decrease, not increase over time. Where is Walker's plan to cut the facility's GHG emissions in half by 2030?**

Thanks again,



Concerned Resident of Thorold

From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 9:52 AM
Cc: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
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Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

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Date: Friday, March 22, 2024 at 4:44:52 PM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
To: [REDACTED]
CC: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Category: Blue category
Attachments: image001.jpg

Hello again [REDACTED],

Thank you for your patience; I'm happy to provide responses to the feedback you've shared with us on the Draft Terms of Reference for the South Landfill Phase 2 project. You've provided input on really important issues and I've attempted to provide a thorough response with additional context. I would be more than willing to schedule a time to discuss your comments further recognizing that there is much to discuss on these topics.

I've itemized your comments below for clarity/ease of reference.

***Comment** - The documentation associated with the Terms of Reference appear to be thorough, although the public needs to be assured that the assessment, evaluation, and monitoring activities are actually carried out as stated.*

Response – The Terms of Reference (ToR), once approved by the Minister of the Environment, is a very important document in the Environmental Assessment (EA) process. It becomes a series of commitments (i.e., evaluation, assessment, and monitoring methodologies) that Walker must satisfy throughout the course of EA. If Walker fails to meet the requirements set out in the ToR once approved, the Final EA Report will be rejected by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). Additionally, as part of the Final EA Report, Walker will produce a table that illustrates how the commitments made in the ToR were satisfied. Based on your feedback, we'll ensure this table clearly demonstrates (i.e. easy to understand, references where the reader can find the required information) to the public that Walker has fulfilled the commitments.

***Comment** - The acceptance of toxic and/or near toxic materials, including Durham Region's 'fly ash'. I understand that this is deemed "non-hazardous", however independent third party testing for mercury, arsenic, copper, and chromium within the LSA is required.*

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Subject: Update

Date: Monday, April 1, 2024 at 11:29:27 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time

From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>

To: [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED]

I hope you had a nice Easter weekend.

I wanted to let you know that we're in the process of changing the back-up beepers that you've heard to a different style that doesn't travel as far yet still meets safety requirements. Once they're installed, I'll let you know.

Secondly, I'll be out walking the berm/field with our tree consultant (Paul – you met him last year) this pm to have a look and prepare a sketch for some planting options for the farm field. In case you see people out there walking.

Speak soon,
Darren

Subject: FW: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - ToR Comments
Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 2:44:37 PM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
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RoC - Public

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 5:17 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Cc: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - ToR Comments

Hi Darren,

Thank you for your detailed responses. I understand that you will be presenting to Thorold's Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity Advisory Committee in a couple of days. I'll chat with you then.

Now from a different perspective... It may surprise you that I also have an interest (and a couple of questions) relating to Walker Industries' products, specifically when it comes to servicing greenhouses in the area.

I see from your responses that Walker produces "Low Carbon Alternative Fuels (LCAF) from wood"... I'm assuming this is wood pellets or some other type of biomass, correct? I'm curious if Walker has any greenhouse customers for this?

I'm aware that Walker produces RNG, however is any of it converted into compressed natural gas (CNG) or liquefied natural gas (LNG) that can be transported locally without the need for pipelines? Again, I'm thinking that local greenhouses may have a need for this – If not now, perhaps sometime soon (assuming that Enbridge pipeline growth may be limited in the near future).

I would appreciate your thoughts on the subject.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2024 4:45 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: RE: Walker South Landfill Phase 2 - ToR Comments

Hello again [REDACTED],

Thank you for your patience; I'm happy to provide responses to the feedback you've shared with us on the Draft Terms of Reference for the South Landfill Phase 2 project. You've provided input on really important issues and I've attempted to provide a thorough response with additional context. I would be more than willing to schedule a time to discuss your comments further recognizing that there is much to discuss on these topics.

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Subject: Board meeting in May

Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024 at 10:00:56 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time

From: NFA <niagarafedag@gmail.com>

To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>

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Good morning,

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Thank you

Maryanne Mous

Maryanne Mous
NFA Administrator
PO Box 575
Smithville ON
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Subject: FW: Meeting for Niagara Federation of Agriculture
Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 10:48:08 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: imagebac94c.JPG



From: NFA <niagarafedag@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 10:11 AM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Meeting for Niagara Federation of Agriculture

Good morning,
The meeting will be held on May 8th at 7Pm. It will be at the Rittenhouse Hall in Vineland.
If you have a presentation that would be great.
Thank you for your reply and look forward to seeing you at our meeting next month.
Maryanne Mous

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Subject: Fwd: Meeting for Niagara Federation of Agriculture

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To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
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Subject: FW: Support for the Continuation of Walker's South Landfill in Niagara Region
Date: Friday, April 12, 2024 at 2:18:00 PM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>
To: South Landfill Phase 2 <info@southlandfillphase2.com>
Attachments: image001.png, IMG_0001.jpg, IMG_0002.jpg

From: Cody Cabral <CCabral@walkerind.com>
Date: Friday, April 12, 2024 at 2:16 PM
To: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>, Chris Breen <CBreen@walkerind.com>, Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>, Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>
Cc: Navia Sharma <NSharma@walkerind.com>
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See below.

From: Marie Voortman <mvoortman@countrywiderecycling.ca>
Sent: Friday, April 12, 2024 2:07 PM
To: minister.mecp@ontario.ca <minister.mecp@ontario.ca>
Cc: clerk@niagarafalls.ca <clerk@niagarafalls.ca>; councilmembers@niagarafalls.ca <councilmembers@niagarafalls.ca>; Cody Cabral <CCabral@walkerind.com>
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April 12, 2024

Hon. Andrea Khanjin
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks

Dear Minister Khanjin:

Re: Support for the Continuation of Walker's South Landfill in Niagara Region

We are writing to convey our full support for the continuation of Walker's South Landfill, a vital facility in Niagara Falls, and to bring attention to the notably positive impact it has had on our community. The waste from our facility in Hamilton is delivered to Walker's at a far less carbon footprint than hauling our waste to the next closest facility which is the Ridge Landfill in Blenheim, Ontario, 2 ½ hours away by transport truck.

Our company has been delivering its waste to Walker's South Landfill for years and I have personally attended at the Landfill and the Landfill is very well managed, from the health and safety regulations, training of new drivers entering the landfill for the first time, keeping their site neat and tidy so that the Landfill looks pleasing when you are driving by, minimizing odors for the hereby residents, to the compliance with all rules and regulations. The Landfill is very well kept and the responsible management and operation of this facility have contributed to the well-being of residents and the sustainability of our communities.

Walker's South Landfill in Niagara has provided up to 500 job opportunities and contributed to the region's growth. The facility meets and exceeds environmental regulations, implements advanced waste management practices, and promotes sustainable waste management by reducing, reusing, and recycling materials.

There are not enough landfills in Ontario. Should Walker's South Landfill in Niagara not receive approval for its expansion then this would be devastating to all of Southern Ontario, to the public, to businesses, waste transfer stations and many waste recycling facilities such as Countrywide Recycling Inc.



As it stands now, due to the lack of landfills in Ontario, most of the waste generated in Ontario is delivered and dumped at landfills in Michigan and New York states since Ontario does not have the capacity to manage the waste that is generated. Presently one tractor trailer hauling 35 MT has to travel 12 to 14 hours per day to Michigan to dispose of Ontario generated waste. Other trucks travel to New York state to dispose of Ontario generated waste. This negatively impacts our environment and significantly increases our carbon footprint.

We believe that the continuation of Walker's South Landfill aligns with the goals outlined in your ministry's environmental policies. We are confident that the facility will continue to operate responsibly and make positive contributions to the local community, our county and the Province of Ontario.

We appreciate your dedication to environmental stewardship and your consideration of our community's perspective on this matter.

If you require any additional information or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Marie Voortman'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Marie Voortman

Countrywide Recycling Inc.

CC:

clerk@niagarafalls.ca

councilmembers@niagarafalls.ca

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Subject: FW: Meeting for Niagara Federation of Agriculture
Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 8:39:41 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
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Attachments: imagec1928d.JPG

From: NFA <niagarafedag@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2024 8:49 PM
To: Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com>
Subject: Re: Meeting for Niagara Federation of Agriculture

Good evening,
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Thank you
Maryanne Mous

On Fri, May 10, 2024 at 9:14 AM Elizabeth Duguay <EDuguay@walkerind.com> wrote:

Good morning Maryanne,

On behalf of Darren and I, thank you for hosting us at NFA's board meeting on Wednesday and providing us with the opportunity to share our plans for the next phase of the South Landfill. We really enjoyed the discussion from the group!

We would like to extend an invitation to the board to join us at our Niagara Resource Management Campus for a tour of our facilities this summer. If there is interest, please let me know if there is a date/time that would work best for the group.

Have a great weekend.
Elizabeth

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Subject: Walker - South Landfill Phase 2

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 11:29:57 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time

From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>

To: [REDACTED]

Hello [REDACTED]

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Here is the link to the project website that I referred to. www.southlandfillphase2.com

If you have any further questions, feel free to reach out.

Regards,

Darren

Subject: Walker, Meeting

Date: Monday, May 27, 2024 at 11:52:19AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time

From: Darren Fry <DFry@walkerind.com>

To: [REDACTED]

CC: Shawn Jordan <SJordan@walkerind.com>

Hello [REDACTED],

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you (had written down the wrong email address).

You should have received an invite to our Spring Public Liaison Committee meeting (PLC) which is taking place tomorrow night – let me know if you didn't receive this invite in the mail. This PLC meeting is held in the Spring and Fall and provides an opportunity for discussion around our current Campus operations. If you're planning on attending, let me know.

Also, when we last spoke, you had some questions out the our plans to develop Phase 2 of the South Landfill. Since tomorrow's PLC meeting is focused on current Campus operations, I would be happy to schedule some time to meet with you about Phase 2 and answer any questions you have.

Let me know, I'm happy to meet anytime.

Regards,

Darren

Subject: Re: Walker - Environmental Assessment - South Landfill Phase 2
Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 10:09:42 AM Eastern Daylight Saving Time
From: Becky Dixon <bdixon@nflibrary.ca>
To: Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com>
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Hi Leticia,

Thank you so much for the additional information on the environmental assessment. We are able to keep the documents at our Victoria Avenue Library for people to review.

Connecting a week prior to the documents being available will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!
Becky Dixon (she/her)
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On Mon, 3 Jun 2024 at 14:26, Leticia Koole <LKoole@walkerind.com> wrote:

Hi Becky

Further to our conversation last week, please find a brief explanation of what an Environmental Assessment is and what Walker will be providing the library below.

Walker's South Landfill has been managing Niagara's waste for over forty years and is nearing its final capacity. Walker has started a planning process to develop the next phase (Phase 2) of the South Landfill which will provide additional disposal capacity over a twenty year period, supply renewable energy for the community by turning landfill gas into energy, and continue to support over 500 jobs in the Region.

As part of the planning process, Walker is doing an Environmental Assessment (EA). An EA is a process regulated by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) through the *Environmental Assessment Act*, which is designed to protect, conserve, and wisely manage Ontario's Environment.

As part of the EA process, the Terms of Reference will be undergoing a 30-day public review period. Walker wants community input into the project and will be making the Terms of Reference and two supporting documents available for public review at the Niagara Falls library. The documents provided to the library will be contained in a 4 or 5 inch binder or a combination of smaller binders. These documents will also be made readily available on our project website (www.southlandfillphase2.com).

A Walker representative will be in touch with the library approximately one week before the document will be made available for public review to discuss any additional logistics regarding the documents.

If you require any further information or have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you,

Leticia

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