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From:

Carol Peek

Sent:

Sunday, May 12, 2013 9:01 AM

To:

District3

Cc:

Deborah Miller; COB mail

Subject:

Proposed Ajo Refuse Transfer Station

Several in our neighborhood, including myself, are concerned about the proximity of the proposed refuse transfer station to our homes. I live at 1371 N. Railroad Drive. My understanding is that the station is proposed to be in the area behind the DOT/Sherriff's office. This land backs up to Copper Street and is behind residences on 4th Street and in front of homes on Copper. The back of the property is less than a full block of my home.

Murphy's Law would indicate there could be blowing trash, bad smells, and certainly unsightly views, noise pollution, flies, etc.

This placement would result in lowered property values, and also the possibility of losing residents from the neighborhood and Ajo.

Not only those in my neighborhood, but many others in Ajo feel the Transfer site is untenable including Kord Kleinfelter as mentioned in the Ajo Copper News May 8 issue.

The location of the transfer station would more appropriately be at the current dump site. Surely Pima County is saving enough money by privatizing the landfill to make the current landfill acceptable as a transfer station site.

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deadline for submitting Board discussion agenda was May 1st, the day before the WPCCC

meeting

Hello, Gabriel.

I am hoping you might have a suggestion.

I was not able to attend the Thursday, May 2nd meeting of the WPCCC where the main subject was closure of the Ajo Landfill and the proposed contract award to Tucson Recycling & Waste Services (TRWS) to place and operate a transfer station in the Pima County Yard adjacent to my home at 231 E 4th Ave. The County Yard is just across the alley behind my home.

http://www.pima.gov/bos/dist3/Meetings.html

I noted in the May 8th article in the CN, the Board of Supervisors Meeting on Tuesday, May 14 is to actually discuss awarding this contract to TRWS. In the link above, you will see that the deadline for submitting discussion agenda for the May 14 Board meeting was May 1st, the day before the WPCCC meeting. This is unbelievable. It appears to me that even if I go to Tucson to this meeting, I will not be heard. Placement of transfer station behind my home will virtually make my home of no value, and also devalue nearby homes.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) link below describes how if not properly sited, designed and operated, transfer stations can cause **problems** for residents living near them.

http://www.epa.gov/wastes/nonhaz/municipal/transfer.htm

Thank you and I am hoping you might have some ideas as to what I can do to protect myself and my neighbors.

I am CCing Mike in case you are not in the office.

Sincerely

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