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Ms. Gail Youngblood
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RE:

Draft Work Plan; Landfill Gas System Expansion; Operable Unit 2 Landfills; Fort Ord California

Dear Ms. Youngblood:

Added Community Comments

Since this seems to be a new process for the greater Fort Ord community, FOEJN recommends public meetings to discuss exactly how this new plan will help to protect the health of those being affected by living on and adjacent to the **landfills**. We have hopes of having the landfills removed far away from housing populations and students. But, we are constantly being told this can not be done, due to budgetary reasons? In order to extract the gases produced by the landfills in area F, additional gas vents and pumps will be installed to extract the gases to where? The entire **landfill** need to be treated, updated and maintained. The old wells may need to be replaced.

How does the cost of removal compare to the cost of maintenance?

A Burner? This process should be open to public review and comments. We are not convinced that our health will be protected by burning the gases, and that the gases will be destroyed. FOEJN recommends full public review and comment meetings of the Risk Assessment for the gas burner and the Vinyl Chloride.

If you wish to discuss this report further, please contact LeVonne Stone, FOEJN TAG Program Manger at 831-899-0803.

Thank You,

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