

## Paul Walukewicz

The speed at which this is being forced through without proper notification of local residents is unsettling. I learned of this comment period two days ago and do not feel as though the public participation has been encouraged. I live less than 1.5 miles from this site and fully expect any reputable organization which planned on burning toxic soil to inform the residents in close proximity and provide ample time for feedback or to address local concerns. Area residents rely on well water for drinking, cleaning, gardening, and livestock. I see no information on how the proposed site could affect the water table for the locals. What safeguards are being put into place to ensure the toxins from the soil do not leach into the water table? What are the impacts to the wildlife in the wetlands less than half of a mile away? How is the soil being transported to the site? Are there any requirements for covering the loads? If it is coming by water, what are the spill contingencies for the fisheries? I read aerial photos were supplied. What year were the photos taken? There are more questions than answers with regard to the safe operation of this site.

Why hasn't DEC done a thorough job of investigating the proposed site? Was getting in a vehicle and going for a quick drive through the "residential" area too taxing? Who thought that permitting a toxic waste burning facility in the middle of a residential area was a good idea?

I adamantly oppose STT operating at the proposed site! The risk outweighs the unrealistic goals. My family and neighbors are more important.

Respectfully,  
Paul