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I oppose permitting this location. It is close to Residential and agricultural lands. The inlet, surrounding lakes, many which flow into each other, and wetland areas are a concern. What pollutants could potentially (on a day the burner has an issue) enter our water cycle? Many of us grow and harvest our food. We also hunt and fish, it is important our lands stay healthy.

There was a lack of communication to our community, and lacking information at the public meeting. I believe like many others agree not enough background information was gained to safely operate if the mechanics don't work as they should. It is located on a main highway, dust tracked on the highway will spread. My understanding is the dust is very fine. The promises that we have been told sound possible but the four highly trained men will not be operating the burner. What safety measures will be in place to keep us safe if the employee is not stellar? Not a permit issue I would guess but it is a real concern for us.

Why was there no notification from the KPB? Was that because they wanted to buy from an individual and a grandfathered gravel pit. What newer regulations are they skirting?

Where was the noise addressed? What safety measures are there for the burner to be locked out if it doesn't operate correctly. If it is not running correctly, is that reported immediately to DEC? What safeguards - baseline tests have been taken? When will retests be done to see if contamination has happened.

My understanding is they should have no smoke and no dust, is that correct? With there be a DEC visit after a reported violation? How often will the well on site be tested?

The one check every five years that your operation is working adequately is definitely not enough, fire extinguishers and other equipment have to be checked yearly.

Clean soil is important and DEC and people with dirty soil need this service but this is not the correct location. What are the guidelines for remediation of this area if there is contamination. Who is doing the air quality monitoring? How often is that reported to DEC? The health and well-being of our community is important.

The Nikiski Middle High school uses the surrounding area for outdoor athletics. This area is rich with wildlife and birds, any change in that will be noticed.

Please help us to keep our community healthy and enjoying quality of life.

Thank you, Angela Smith