

Before writing a response to the PDC's appeal of the Peoria County Board's decision to deny expansion of its hazardous toxic waste landfill, I spent some time on the internet doing some research. After all this research, I was unable to argue that their appeal of 'generating' new waste was flawed.

I have seen methods where toxic waste can be treated and broken down into combustible gasses and inert waste. The bottom line, though, is that I do not want what is described as a 'landfill' to be storing the incoming waste in my 'back yard'. Until the primary function of the landfill changes to 'treatment' as opposed to 'storage, with treatment capabilities', this will remain the way I feel.

If the council that resides over the people that live here in Peoria agree that this expansion should not take place, that ruling should be upheld. It seems illogical that a company could continue to press down alternative paths for the answer it would *like* to hear, simply because they didn't like the answer they already received. I would ask anyone that is considering in favor of PDC to ask themselves what they would do, if it were their city this was taking place in, their landscape, and their drinking water that would be affected.

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