

SPORTSMAN'S LETTER

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Comments concerning Waste Management Appeal Hearing Case #IPCB 04-186

According To published information(Kankakee Daily Journal Mon., April 4, 2005) and presented to the IPCB, "Waste Management, Inc. alleged a Mr. Harrison directly lobbied(Kankakee)County Board members in violation of state landfill laws".

To me, that seems like a strange law. I thought in America the public was supposed to be able to talk to elected representatives.

I always thought elected representatives were supposed to represent the people's concerns about an issue. If I'm wrong in that assumption, then my opinion is that such laws should be changed in favor of free speech for the people.

Regardless of what Waste Management and the IPCB find here, in my opinion, the Pollution Control Board should help preserve our water supply, our aquatic life in the Iroquois River and the Kankakee River and their affected tributaries, by denying more garbage dumps, or expanding existing dumps, next to or right on the all-important underground aquifers and our quality streams.

I would also request of the IL PCB they take steps to correct the reported vinyl chloride problem at the current Kankakee County Dump, that to the best of my knowledge, has never been properly addressed. We need to protect our remaining drinking water resources for now and the future.

The above mentioned waterways are extremely important for the continued reproduction and presence of many forms of aquatic life that have made our local Iroquois and Kankakee Rivers known throughout the country as some of the finest of recreational and environmental streams.

Please deny the expanded landfill request.

Sincerely,

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