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Public Comments

Hade, Jason

From: Sandi Thompson <saludwi94062@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, October 31, 2016 8:11 AM
To: Hade, Jason
Cc: krellbruce@yahoo.com; John Thompson; pgkrell@aol.com; Alan Fowler; kwilsondds@aol.com
Subject: Proposal for the Lands once known as Cottage Gardens Nursery

Dear Jason,

We oppose any expansion of the UVDS waste facility hours/ operations. The current use at the UVDS facilities adversely impacts our South Whitehall Lane neighborhood as the noise levels and odors it creates impact the enjoyment of our properties. So, any increased or amplified use would worsen these impacts.

According to County of Napa zoning maps and the zoning legends, the current waste facility is zoned as "AP," "AW," and "PL." It is not clear to me that the former nursery property is included in that geographic designation, originally or has been recently amended.

The zoning legend indicates that adjacent properties should not be adversely impacted by activities on such property. Clearly the homes to the south of the former Cottage Gardens property would be adversely impacted.

However, our homes on the hilltop of South Whitehall Lane would suffer increased noise, at all times of day and night, and increased odors which even now climb up our hill.

I would love to speak to you about what actions we can take at this point. Also what notice we were served for this proposed use?

Thank you,
Sandi Thompson
1457 South Whitehall Lane
St. Helena

Hade, Jason

From: fullerkeen@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2016 5:25 PM
To: Hade, Jason
Subject: Worried about our neighborhood

Dear Mr. Hade,

We live at 1275 Whitehall Lane in Rutherford and are very concerned about the UVDS plan for further expansion which will pollute our idyllic residential area.

We simply can't understand why the raw waste can't be processed at Clover Hill, while is isolated and a logical spot for smelly recycling.

Raw waste is not just greens...it smells...all the way to our house. And the bleeping trucks are heard as well. This is our home...what right do they have to spoil our enjoyment for their financial gain.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration,

Stephene McKeen and George Fullerton

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Hade, Jason

From: Sandi Thompson <saludwi94062@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2016 2:45 PM
To: Hade, Jason
Cc: John W. Thompson
Subject: UVDS proposal

Hi. I want to understand more about the proposal before the County on the UVDS expansion. It appears that they will be doing more raw sewage processing and will have more vehicles entering and leaving the property on a daily basis.

So, I think there are questions of infrastructure and the capacity for access/egress. Secondly, what is the odor and noise impact on neighbors? Thirdly, what is the process for approval going forward?

We own a home at 1457 South Whitehall Lane and are very interested in knowing more about the project. Please let us know.

Thanks,
Sandi and John W. Thompson

Hade, Jason

From: George Fullerton <fullerkeen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2016 9:02 AM
To: Hade, Jason; Barbara Witt
Subject: UVDS complaint from Whitehall Lane neighbors

Dear Mr. Hade, I'm writing to ask for your consideration on this dispute. It is very important to us, who are adversely affected by it. Again, the refueling trucks all night long shouldn't be allowed in a residential neighborhood. More importantly, the prospect of their increasing their raw waste (restaurants, food, etc) by FOUR TIMES is outrageous. There seems to be a disconnect in what they tell us and what they actually plan to do. Would you please be so kind as to review their application and figure out the truth. Thank you for your help on this matter,
George Fullerton. 1275 Whitehall Lane. SH 707-963-4028

Hade, Jason

From: Sandi Thompson <saludwi94062@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 5:13 PM
To: Hade, Jason
Cc: John Thompson; cyclewine@cox.net
Subject: Fw: My comments regarding CUP for UVDS on Whitehall Lane

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From: Sandi Thompson <saludwi94062@yahoo.com>
To:
Cc: "cyclewine@cox.net" <cyclewine@cox.net>; John Thompson <john@thompsonohana.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 8:18 AM
Subject: My comments regarding CUP for UVDS on Whitehall Lane

Hi, Jason. We have spoken by email in the past and in regard to this issue. We have a home at 1457 South Whitehall Lane. Under current CUP, we get odors from UVDS, particularly during warm days around harvest. Most of the time it is clearly odor of composting grape and waste matter. I would add that it does NOT current rise to the level of being a nuisance.

Matt, copied above, has circulated table 1 on the proposed permits modifications from current entitlements under UVDS' current CUP. I have read and have these questions and comments.

1. Issue: Traffic While the number of vehicles accessing the facility will not increase, will the type of vehicle change?
2. Issue: Total Waste Tons: The composition of the waste stored and processed will change to more food related waste. This will exaggerate the odors we currently experience. This would potentially rise to the level of a nuisance and harm our enjoyment of our home. We have significant outdoor living areas and they are all Valley-facing.
3. Issues: Improvements and fueling station: While the number of vehicles will not change, there will be a new fueling station installed at UVDS, using natural gas vs. diesel. The hours of operation at UVDS are 7am - 7 pm 7 days a week. (slightly longer during harvest). If those are the hours, why is there an option for night-time fueling? What are the vehicle movement and noise related impacts if they use the night time fueling option AFTER their stated hours of operation?

Composting is a positive activity and in a more densely populated county, it will happen in someone's neighborhood. The question is its concentration and mitigation. John and I are very concerned about this.

Where is the CUP in the planning and approval process?

Thanks,
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1457 S Whitehall Lane
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Hade, Jason

From: Sandi Thompson <saludwi94062@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 1:58 PM
To: Hade, Jason
Cc: John Thompson; cyclewine@cox.net; Bruce Krell
Subject: Re: My comments regarding CUP for UVDS on Whitehall Lane

I think Christy is saying that there is an improved process for nighttime fueling.

But are all the vehicles onsite before the close of their hours and they do not leave before they re-open the following day?

And the other question is about odor. We have some odor now. Can they assert that this will not become a nuisance? If we are impacted, those closer will be more greatly impacted. But perhaps it is because we are above them up the hill on South Whitehall Lane.

I appreciate your help, Jason.

Sandi Thompson

From: "Hade, Jason" <Jason.Hade@countyofnapa.org>
To: 'Sandi Thompson' <saludwi94062@yahoo.com>
Cc: John Thompson <john@thompsonohana.com>; "cyclewine@cox.net" <cyclewine@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 1:45 PM
Subject: RE: My comments regarding CUP for UVDS on Whitehall Lane

Hi Sandi,

I reached out to the applicant for additional project information and have the following operational details (see below).

Hope this helps.

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The application is currently incomplete for processing. I'm anticipating receiving a revised submittal from the applicant in mid-February. Upon receipt, the resubmittal will need to be reviewed by staff for completeness prior to the application moving forward in the review process.

Thanks,
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February 21, 2018

Jason Hade
Napa County PBES
1195 Third Street, Suite 201
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Dear Jason,

I am in support of Upper Valley Disposal Service's minor permit changes to allow for the establishment of a Clean Compressed Gas (CNG) fueling system and to expand organics collection and processing.

CNG refuse and recycling collection trucks emit fewer emissions and are much quieter on the job than diesel trucks. The Company's request to expand organics collection and processing into compost by allowing for more material types like food and wood waste is important. This will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the landfill, have greater recycling and more importantly less garbage in my container. By upgrading the facility our community will be able to meet and comply with changing State regulations requiring organics be removed from all California landfills starting in 2020.

I strongly support and look forward to the ability to expand our organics collection program at home and work with these facility permit upgrades.

Sincerely,

Chris Canning, Mayor
City of Calistoga