



September 29, 2018

Senator Mario Scavello

2 North Robinson Ave

Pen Argyl, PA 18072

September Landfill Operations Update

Dear Senator,

Every month, I provide a landfill update to Plainfield Township, Pen Argyl Borough and Wind Gap Borough. I thought I'd share this information with you to keep you up-to-date of our daily operations.

A few items for this month to mention include:

1. Grand Central Landfill has completed the mini blasts for cell construction. (Background: the site had been conducting small blasts for cell construction on the western side of the landfill property since Mid-August. Local stakeholders, emergency personnel were all notified for each blast in an effort to keep the residents informed)
2. In Mid-October, Grand Central will begin installation of approximately 6 acres of final cap and 7 acres of temporary cap on the eastern side slope (Pen Argyl Borough side of the landfill; wrapping behind the Evergreen Cemetery) Much of the slope has been covered with several inches of cover material. Operations has moved to the top of the landfill.
3. As part of the capping project, the landfill crews will be including approximately 30 vertical gas collection wells. Once the next lift is completed in the active area, the landfill will install approximately 3,500 linear footage of horizontal gas collection piping. These projects will greatly reduce the possibility of any odor nuisances.

4. Landfill tonnages are currently holding steady around 2,400 tons per day.

5. Community Relations: Grand Central is gearing up for the 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff and Open House to be held on September 29th from noon till 4 p.m. in the landfill parking lot. Slate Belt Regional Police, Lookout Fire Company, Plainfield Twp Fire, Washington Twp Fire, Slate Belt Rising and Slate Belt YMCA are just a few of the participants this year. We will offer landfill tours (as part of the Northampton Open Gate Farm Tour) and have landfill machines here for a touch-a-truck.
 - a. Our first Scout Day will be held on October 8th. We will offer three landfill tours and provide a badge to the scouts that participate. We get many requests for tours by scout troops and felt this would help streamline that request. We are excited to offer this tour!
 - b. Creatures of the Night is our second largest event and will be held October 24th at 6 p.m. at our education center. The Wildlands Conservancy will have live animal demonstrations.

If you have any questions about operations or our gas collection system, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

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October 10, 2018

October Landfill Operations Update

Dear Plainfield Township Supervisors,

Below are a few notable action items for this month's landfill operations that I'd like to share with you.

1. Grand Central Landfill has completed the mini blasts for cell construction. (Background: the site had been conducting small blasts for cell construction on the western side of the landfill property since Mid-August.)
2. Beginning today, Grand Central will begin the installation of approximately 6 acres of final cap and 7 acres of temporary cap on the eastern side slope (Pen Argyl Borough side of the landfill; wrapping behind the Evergreen Cemetery) Much of the slope has been covered with several inches of cover material. Operations has moved to the top of the landfill.
3. As part of the capping project, the landfill crews will be including approximately 30 vertical gas collection wells. Once the next lift is completed in the active area, the landfill will install approximately 3,500 linear footage of horizontal gas collection piping. These projects will greatly reduce the possibility of any odor nuisances. This project is set to begin mid-end of October.
4. Landfill tonnages are currently holding steady around 2,200 tons per day.
5. Community Relations:
 - a. The Open House/Chili Cookoff was a huge success this year! Approximately 150 guests attended the function. The winners included the Green and White Youth Association, Plainfield Twp Fire Company and the Lookout Fire Company.

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- b. Our first Scout Day was held on October 8th. We offered 3 landfill tours. Approximately 162 guests attended.
 - c. Creatures of the Night is our second largest event and will be held October 24th at 6 p.m. at our education center. The Wildlands Conservancy will have live animal demonstrations.

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Tom Petrucci
Plainfield Township

October/November Landfill Operations Update

Dear Plainfield Township Supervisors,

Every month, I provide a landfill update to Plainfield Township, Pen Argyl Borough and Wind Gap Borough. I thought you'd find this information useful as well.

A few items for this month to mention include:

1. Grand Central Landfill has completed approximately 70% of the gas well collection project. The team has about 10 more wells to drill. The addition of these gas collection wells will greatly reduce the possibility of any odor nuisances. Once the next lift is completed in the active area, the landfill will install approximately 3,500 linear footage of horizontal gas collection piping. (this is expected at the end of the 4th quarter)
2. Beginning the week of November 5, Grand Central will install approximately 6 acres of final cap and 7 acres of temporary cap on the eastern side slope (Pen Argyl Borough side of the landfill; wrapping behind the Evergreen Cemetery)
3. Landfill tonnages are currently holding steady around 2,400 tons per day.
 - a. October Host Fee (Plainfield Township): \$260,589.12
4. The landfill crews continue to prepare for winter conditions with the inclusion of temporary litter fences and repairing of current fencing.
5. Grand Central Landfill and its' partners Synagro and Green Knight Economic Development Corporation are preparing for the upcoming DEP Public Hearing,

scheduled for November 7th at 6 p.m. This hearing will be at the Wind Gap Middle School.

6. Community Relations:

- a. Grand Central Landfill continues to be updated and includes the monthly landfill update notices.
- b. Waste Management was recognized by the Greater Valley YMCA in October as a Community Partner. District Manager, Ron Myer, Director of Disposal Operations Scott Perin and myself accepted the award.
- c. Our first Scout Day event was held on October 8th with 162 scouts, parents and leaders in attendance. Visitors took landfill tours and received a pin toward their environmental badges.
- d. Creatures of the Night was held on October 24th with 135 visitors in attendance. The Wildlands Conservancy presented animals commonly found in the Slate Belt.
- e. America Recycles Day is November 15th. The Grand Central Landfill team, Northampton County and the Girl Scouts of Eastern PA will be holding an education event at the Grand Central Environmental Education Center on November 17th from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. to celebrate. Games, activities and information will be available. A collection of cell phones, hearing aids and eyeglasses will be held for the Plainfield Township Lions Club.
- f. Grand Central will be receiving Wildlife Habitat Council Certification on November 14th. The team and its' community partners have earned Gold Status and will be recognized at this year's conference held in Baltimore, MD.

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December 6, 2018

Pen Argyl Borough

December Landfill Operations Update

Dear Pen Argyl Borough,

Grand Central Landfill is committed to keeping the community informed. Below, you will find the landfill operations update.

1. The Grand Central team has added one additional well to the previously planned gas well project and 8 condensate drains. In total, there will be 39 Gas Collection Wells.
 - a. All of the wells have been completed (completed 12-4-18).
 - b. We decided to move forward with the condensate drains now rather than waiting until the horizontal gas collector is installed, which is projected to be installed in the coming weeks. These drains perform a dual function as a drain and a well. This will increase the amount of gas collection sooner than originally designed. The continued heavy rain has slowed progress but has not stopped it. The drillers continue to drill and have made significant progress.

2. The installation of capping material was delayed due to wet and windy conditions but has since restarted (as of December 4).
 - a. The capping crews have placed 6 acres of **final cap** (6 acres) material and expect to complete the that area by next week. (week of Dec 10)
 - b. The **temporary capping** material (approx. 7 acres) has not been installed yet but crews are prepping this area. This capping is expected to be completed by the end of the year. (weather permitting)

3. Landfill tonnages are currently holding steady around 2,400 tons per day.

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4. As a reminder, Grand Central Landfill will be closed on Christmas and New Year's Day.

 5. Community Relations:
 - a. Grand Central Landfill website continues to be updated and includes the monthly landfill update notices. www.grandcentrallandfill.com
 - b. New Facebook updates that include photos of the recent project work are now up and being shared. www.facebook.com/grandcentrallandfill

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