
OPF/MMF Residents' Meeting

Springwater Township / March 29, 2016 – The County of Simcoe hosted an invitation-only information session on Wednesday, March 23 for residents who live within a 500 metre radius of the proposed Organics Processing Facility (OPF) and Materials Management Facility (MMF) on Horseshoe Valley Road West. Deputy Mayor Don Allen and Ward 3 Councillor Jennifer Coughlin were in attendance and represented the Township of Springwater at the meeting.

Approximately 30 participants attended the two hour meeting, which was facilitated by an external consultant. An overview of the project was provided by County of Simcoe staff prior to opening the floor to questions from the attendees.

A number of concerns were raised related to the facility including operational, environmental and traffic issues. A request was made by residents in attendance to form a community monitoring committee to facilitate the distribution of information and enhance communication.

“We are sensitive to the fact that residents feel that many issues and questions remain unanswered at this point,” says Deputy Mayor Don Allen. “We will continue to work with the County throughout each step of this ongoing process and commit to keeping our residents informed.”

“I encourage residents to get involved and learn more about this project. At its meeting on March 3, Springwater Council passed a unanimous resolution that outlined a number of concerns that need to be addressed, including the requested complete business case, a risk and cost analysis, as well as a financial impact study that outlines and assesses the costs that will be incurred by Springwater Township,” says Mayor Bill French.

A Public Information Session will be held on April 19, 2016 at the Simcoe County Museum at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Additional information on this project can be found at www.springwater.ca/opfmmf

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