

Dear Neighbor,

We are writing to ensure that you are aware of a project happening in our neighborhood. This project will not only affect our property values but our way of life literally casting a foul order on us all.

Brown and Jackson is in the process of applying to put in 2 "storage ponds" on property they own. These are not your ordinary "storage ponds". They are septage lagoons. These 2 lagoons will be capable of holding over a MILLION gallons of human poop. Brown and Jackson disposes of around 100,000 gallons monthly.

There is already a spot in our county less than 7 miles away from this proposed site with no neighbors within 2 miles and only 2 residences within 5 miles where septage currently is properly disposed of.

Just a little food for thought you know how you can smell someone fire-up a barbeque from a mile away or smell a farmer's fresh cut field? Well this will be hundreds of thousands of gallons of human poop that has been concentrated in a septic tank in an anaerobic state mixed with fresh human poop and port-a-potty waste then aerated. This will cause an off-gassing foul odor that cannot be disguised or contained.

This is not only an environmental issue but a health issue. The lagoons contents will then be spread onto the adjacent area. When the wind blows there will be airborne poo particles that you will be ingesting. Particles could contain diseases, harmful bacteria, viruses, hepatitis, or even heavy metals. The lagoons will contain other debris like feminine care products, condoms, or anything else flushed or disposed of in a toilet leading to litter on neighboring properties and ending up in the irrigation canal. Parke Creek also runs through this area and waste could end up in the creek contaminating the waterway. Not to mention if the lagoon leaks it can affect our ground water.

The SEPA that was submitted is very vague and misleading. As with Pacific Clean this use of the land should not be permitted by the County.

In conclusion we are asking that if you feel the same way to please contact Kittitas County and voice your concern. There is already a place that handles this waste so let's keep it concentrated to that area with no neighbors.

Let's preserve our land, air, and health for not only us but our children and grand children.

Thank you for your time.