



BAD DECISIONS, BROKEN PROMISES

WILL THE STAFFORD ENVIRONMENT LOSE AGAIN?

Stafford Township recently passed a resolution to allow the Stafford Landfill to have a large solar energy facility built on top. The landfill was officially closed through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) which allowed the town to sell most of the Stafford Business Park to the developer Walters Homes, in exchange for the developer paying for the landfill closure. But the deal called for most of the landfill to be **permanently protected as deed-restricted open space**.

Now Walters Homes wants to develop the landfill and the resolution Stafford passed contradicts the open space deed restriction which the town itself placed on the landfill. **This is bad policy and a broken promise.**

The NJ DEP has told Stafford Township if it wants to develop or divert this **protected open space**, it first has to satisfy the NJ Green Acres diversion rules and offset this open space loss.

The Pinelands Commission MOA required Stafford Township to deed restrict the Landfill, after closure, as an offset for the impacts of the massive development on the other portions of the Stafford Business Park property. **The Pinelands Commission now proposes to amend the MOA.**

So in order to divert this protected open space, or the grassland habitat that it has become, **public hearings will be held** both to satisfy the Green Acres Rules and the Pinelands Commission MOA process.

What do you think? What should Stafford residents get in return for any Green Acres diversion that might occur? What should Stafford's pinelands environment get in return for the loss of this grassland habitat? Where should comments be sent?

Come to the rally on October 6th and learn what you can do to have input into the process and have your voice heard!

PPA would like to invite you to attend a Citizens Rally & Information Session about the Stafford Business Park and Landfill project

Date: October 6, 2010

Time: 6:30 p.m.

**Where: Holiday Inn
151 Rt. 72 East,
Manahawkin**

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