

Submitter: Cameron Saxon
On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3971

Dear Members of the Committee,

My name is Cameron Saxon, and I have lived in Goshen my entire life. The house I live in now was my grandfather's, who has since passed away, and it holds deep sentimental value to my family. When I bought my grandfather's property, I did so knowing that the Great Goshen Plan, which he helped work on, protected my home from a garbage facility being built directly across from it. My grandfather was proud of his efforts to help improve Goshen, and this proposed CleanLane waste processing facility goes against everything he worked for. I am writing to strongly oppose HB 3971, which would supersede this facility and bring significant harm to our residential community.

My primary concerns are the smell, noise, and overall disruption that a waste processing facility would introduce to our neighborhood. The constant noise from trucks and machinery, combined with the inevitable odors from waste processing, would make living here unbearable. My home, where I continue to honor my grandfather's legacy, would face the brunt of these disturbances.

Additionally, I am deeply concerned about the environmental impact of this project, particularly regarding flooding. The proposed site for the CleanLane facility is on 11 acres of land that I have personally witnessed flood numerous times. This area is prone to heavy water accumulation, and filling in this land for construction will displace that water, likely pushing it onto neighboring properties, including mine. The Goshen area is already so wet that many of us struggle with septic tanks that don't percolate properly due to the high water table. Adding a massive facility on this flood-prone land will only exacerbate these issues, threatening our homes and livelihoods.

I respectfully ask that you reject HB 3971 and protect the residents of Goshen from the detrimental effects of the proposed CleanLane waste processing facility. This project undermines the Great Goshen Plan, which my grandfather helped create to safeguard our community, and it threatens the place my family has called home for generations.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Cameron Saxon