



CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 22, 2008

Further Information: Paul Nonnenmacher, (860) 757-7771

E-mail: pnonnenmacher@crra.org

CRRA Sets ‘Open House’ Programs on Ash Landfill Proposal Residents of Franklin Area Can Engage CRRA in Dialog, Get Their Questions Answered

FRANKLIN, Conn. – Residents who have questions about the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority’s interest in developing an ash landfill can get answers to their questions at a series of informational programs to be held in April and May.

CRRA will hold three “open house” style events – in which residents can ask questions of CRRA’s staff and professional experts one-on-one – at the Franklin Elementary School, 206 Pond Road, on

- Wednesday, April 30, 7 to 9 p.m.;
- Wednesday, May 7, 7 to 9 p.m.; and
- Saturday, May 10, 2 to 4 p.m.

In this “open house” format, CRRA will set up tables with information and experts on the site screening process, on-site investigations, permitting, traffic study, ash, benefits to the town and ash landfill construction. The April 30 and May 7 programs will also have information about recycling.

“We invite everyone in Franklin to come to one of these events, meet us and ask their questions,” said Thomas D. Kirk, CRRA president. “We want people to have all the facts as they consider this important proposal.”

In March, CRRA announced it had culminated a three-year search process for a new ash landfill by selecting a site off Route 32 behind the former Franklin Farms. CRRA chose the site because, based on all available information, it best fit the state’s ash landfill siting criteria. A one-year on-site investigation to confirm that information has been started.

Those with questions can also get answers without leaving their homes. CRRA has established a toll-free telephone number – 1-800-495-1826 – and a Web site – <http://www.ctsafeashlandfill.com> – through which people can ask questions directly of CRRA.

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority is a quasi-public agency whose mission is to work for – and in – the best interests of the municipalities of the state of Connecticut. CRRA’s new board of directors and new management team develop and implement environmentally sound solutions and best practices for solid waste disposal and recycling management on behalf of municipalities. CRRA’s four solid waste projects serve 118 Connecticut cities and towns. CRRA also runs environmental and recycling educational programs through the Trash Museum in Hartford and Garbage Museum in Stratford. For more information about CRRA and its activities, visit <http://www.crra.org>. Computer users can also discuss CRRA at its blog, <http://crra-blog.blogspot.com>.