

FAQs about Dump Site 41

Q: What is the proper name of the Site?

County of Simcoe Landfill Site #41

Q: Where is Site 41 Located?

It is located between the communities of Elmvale, Wyevale, Wyebridge and Waverly on prime farm land that is just 1 block away from Tiny Marsh Bird Sanctuary. Concession #2 E of Tiny Township, County of Simcoe; West Half of Lot 10, Southeast Quarter of Lot 11, just west of Baseline Rd S.

Download [Map of Location in Tiny Township](#) in the County of Simcoe (*.pdf 3.7MB)

Q: Where can I tap into the pristine waters?

There is a public roadside flow, just past Elmvale, on the E side of Hwy 27 (Yonge St N), just before Flos 10 Rd E, where folks are welcome to fill up their own bottles, for free, with pristine groundwater. The taste is absolutely amazing!



Q: Who Owns Site 41?

The County of Simcoe owns **Site 41** and has also purchased the adjacent property (East of **Site 41**).

Q: Who is in charge of Waste Management?

The County of Simcoe is in charge of waste management for the County. Recommendations are made to County Council by the County's Corporate Services Committee. Rob McCullough is the Manager of Environmental Services, a division of Corporate Services.

Q: When will Site 41 be opening?

Construction of Site is to commence after receiving final Provincial approval as required by the Certificate of Approval for the Site.

Q: What is to be the permitted landfill area (hectares)?

20.675 ha (planned waste fill area - subject to Provincial approval).

Q: What is the total area (hectares) of Site 41?

69.72 ha

Q: What is the expected life (years)?

Site life calculations are extremely variable and are sensitive to various factors. Previously the County of Simcoe has stated that the expected life is 34 years but many question this figure.

Q: What type of waste will be permitted at Site 41?

Domestic, commercial and non-hazardous solid industrial waste and other waste limited to dewatered sewage sludge.

Q: What is the Capacity of Site 41?

Site capacity 1,613,000 cubic meters.

Q: What is the permitted annual waste receipt (tonnes)?

There is no limitation according to the Site's Provincial Certificate of Approval (It is estimated to be approximately 40,000 tonnes at opening)

Q: What are the Municipalities to be served?

Midland, Penetanguishene, Tiny and Tay

Q: What is the population to be served?

Design population (includes permanent plus seasonal residents) to be served in 2000 was estimated at 45,427.

Q: What is the present waste diversion rate in Site 41's service area?

Unfortunately the 2002 figures are not calculated for each specific municipality. Please request information from the County of Simcoe for clarification on this issue.

Q: Why haven't local residents proposed alternatives?

Local residents from the Why Wye Citizens Group did propose alternatives. They recommended a 10 point recycling program. Unfortunately the County of Simcoe ignored the Why Wye Citizens group. Please see Chronology for further info.

Q: Where can I get a Sign "Protect Our Water, Stop Dump Site 41"?

Wyevale's Jug City and Ritchie's Feeds'N'Needs

Q: Why should I be concerned about Site 41?

A: **Site 41** is located on three shallow aquifers. The third aquifer being the Alliston Aquifer that extends to Alliston.

A: Artesian flows present in this location and many natural flows surrounding **Site 41**.

A: **Site 41** is in a Flood Plain.

A: **Site 41** is class 1 and 2 Farmland.

A: The clay on **Site 41** is referred to as toothpaste clay by local residents, Engineer Dr. Kerri Rowe confirmed that the clay cannot be compacted at **Site 41** and that there are further concerns about ground stability.

A: On Feb. 7, 2001 the County of Simcoe's Report announces the need for a liner and dewatering program to facilitate the construction of the site. The report indicates a change from 1.7 million litres of upward gradients (upward water pressure) to **50 million litres of upward gradients**. Presently, the County is stating 8 million litres of upward gradients with **no new testing**. Most calculations and estimates are computer simulated! The question becomes for residents, does the County have any real idea of the amount of water involved?

A: The Site is also located on the Flight Path for the Huronia District Airport, not more than 4.6km away. The Guideline for Transport Canada is 8 km. (Due to bird strikes)

A: The Tiny Marsh wetland is in close proximity to **Site 41**.

A: MacDonald Creek is to be used for the water drained from **Site 41** which in turn flows into the Wye River, into the Wye Marsh (east of Midland) and out to Georgian Bay.

A: The reviews of the Site plan by Tiny Township, Simcoe County and the Ministry of the Environment exposed over 200 errors. David Staseff of the MOE stated that 12-24 errors are more typical for this type of project.

A: The County has not addressed all of the 200+ concerns.

A: Dilution of contaminants seems to be what the Simcoe County is relying on to meet MOE standards.

Q: What can I do to support the StopDumpSite41 Campaign?

Residents are concerned Site 41 will contaminate our/your drinking water.

Please support us by:

- signing a petition
- placing a sign on your property
- writing to the Ministry of the Environment
- letting local politicians know your concerns
- getting listed and "make a statement" on the SDS41supporters page
- setting up or sponsoring a fundraising event
- booking a presentation for your group, organisation or company
- sending a donation

Do you have any Questions about Site 41?

Give us a shout!

If you have any questions email us at Info@StopDumpSite41.ca or call **Stephen** at 705-322-2398 or fax 705-322-1238

<http://www.stopdumpsite41.ca/faqs.html>