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**CAPITAL REGION CITIZENS
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MEDIA RELEASE

ARE OTHERS EYING OTTAWA LANDFILLS TO HANDLE THEIR WASTE!

Russell and Carlsbad Springs, June 4, 2015:

The Capital Region Citizens Coalition for the Protection of the Environment (CRCCPE), and the Citizens' Environmental Stewardship Association – East of Ottawa (CESA-EO), would like to bring to your attention a York Region report entitled *Residuals Management Strategy* (http://sm4rtliving.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Residuals_Management_Strategy.pdf). The report indicates that the York Region has taken a stance of no more landfills in their jurisdiction (which we applaud!), and it presents alternate options to handling their waste disposal needs. In particular, page 12, identifies existing landfills as well as applications for new landfills in Ontario, including the Taggart-Miller CRRRC landfill proposed for Ottawa, which could be a potential recipient of this waste.

Ottawa and the Eastern Ontario Region currently has sufficient landfill capacity to meet its local long term waste disposal requirements, but other areas such as the GTA and surrounding regions have a real need for additional residual waste disposal. Are they looking at Ottawa to dump their trash?

The City of Ottawa's Environment Committee met April 21, 2015 to discuss and approve staff comments on the Final Environmental Assessment prepared by Taggart-Miller for their proposed Ottawa landfill. The York Region Waste Manager attended this meeting and provided his support for Miller and their CRRRC project. Given the current waste problem in York Region, it would appear from the above report that they may have a vested interest in seeing this project move forward?

The City of Ottawa had asked the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) to limit the catchment area for the Carp landfill expansion and this recommendation was ignored by the MOECC. The same request has now been put forward by the City for the proposed Taggart-Miller landfill. Why would the City fare any better a second time around? Even if a limited catchment area was approved by MOECC, there are serious doubts as to how this would be policed and enforced?

It is now time for the City of Ottawa to issue a clear statement indicating that we DO NOT WANT another landfill, or the following may prove to be true,

Welcome to Ottawa the Dump Capital of Ontario !!



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