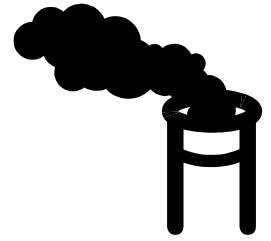


Save Our Community



Morton Trucking has asked for a Special Use Permit to build an asphalt plant in your community.

We need your help to stop it. Asphalt plants can pollute your air, river and drinking water, lower your property values and harm your family.

The Onslow County Board of Adjustment will hold a public, evidentiary hearing **Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 p.m. at 604 College St, Jacksonville**. Please come and ask the Zoning Adjustment Board to require a community health risk assessment be performed by the State Environmental Toxicologist.

The Zoning Adjustment Board is required to take public health and safety into account when approving a Special Use.



Asphalt Fumes are Known Toxins. These plants release millions of pounds of chemicals to the air during production each year, including many cancer-causing toxic air pollutants such as arsenic, benzene, formaldehyde, cadmium, volatile organic compounds, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and very fine condensed particulates. [EPA] Asphalt fumes contain substances known to cause cancer, can cause coughing, wheezing or shortness of breath, severe irritation of the skin, headaches, dizziness, and nausea. [NJDHSS] Animal studies show PAHs affect reproduction, cause birth defects and are harmful to the immune system.

[NJDHSS] In one study, nearly half of the residents living within a half mile of the plant reported a deterioration of their health, which began after the plant opened. [BREDL]

Loss of Property Value. A property value study done right here in North Carolina documented losses of up to 56% because of the presence of a nearby asphalt plant.



Speak Out to Protect Your Family and Home!

- For more information go to www.wonriverkeeper.org or call Rhonda Littleton at 910-545-1823.
- Plan to attend and speak at Tuesday's hearing, we need to pack the house!
- Bring your whole family and offer to pick up friends and neighbors who don't drive.
- If you absolutely can't attend, write a letter and email it to tess@wonriverkeeper.org or littleton1136@yahoo.com. We will present it on your behalf at the hearing.
- Call your friends and neighbors and encourage them to come or at least submit written comments!



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