

BIG SPRING TOWNSHIP

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Hello Chair Schaffer, Vice Chair Landis, ranking member Hicks-Hudson and members of the Ohio Senate Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee. My name is Matt Clouse, Fiscal Officer of Big Spring Township. I'm here on behalf of the Big Spring Township Board of Trustees and I'm also representing the citizens of Big Spring Township.

Big Spring Township lies South of Sunny Farms Landfill. The Northwest corner of Big Spring Township comes within ½ of a mile of the Southern mountain of landfill trash.

Big Spring Township has submitted a Resolution to support S.B. 119. All three Big Spring Trustees support the Resolution. Two Trustees have signed the Resolution, the third supports the Resolution but wasn't able to sign it because of a vacation commitment.

As outlined in the approved and submitted Resolution, Big Spring Township supports S.B. 119 for the following reasons;

- Concerns/fears over contamination of soil, ground water, aquifers, and air quality, in and around the SFL property.
- Concerns about run off of contaminated rain and melting snow/ice that runs through the waste in uncovered rail cars and onto and into the ground and ground water.
- Concerns/fears about the harmful effects to the environment for future generations if the liners fail and cause pollution and contamination.
- The decline in property values that are in close proximity to the landfill.

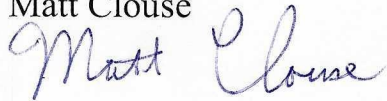
Big Spring Township also supports S.B. 119 for the following reasons not listed in the Resolution;

- Sunny Farms Landfill is currently mining stone directly South of the South mountain of landfill trash.

- Rail cars full of trash blocking R.R. crossings on Seneca County roads.

I would like to thank you for allowing me to speak. Big Spring Township wholeheartedly supports S.B. 119 and we ask for your committee to support it as well.

Sincerely,
Matt Clouse



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Resolution#12

The Big Spring Township Board of Trustees met in special session on May 29th, 2023 with Trustees Steven Wagner, and Stephen Schalk present. Mr. Stephen Schalk offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT S.B. 119

Sunny Farms Landfill is a large landfill located near Big Spring Township, Seneca County. The community has voiced significant concerns over the odor coming from the landfill and possible ground and surface water contamination.

Big Spring Township supports S.B. 119 for the following reasons;

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Therefore, be it resolved: The Big Spring Township Trustees adopt this Resolution supporting S.B. 119. We feel Sunny Farms presents both short term and long term environmental, health, and economic hazards to our township and its residents.

Mr. Steven Wagner seconded this motion and roll call vote was as follows;

Gary Schalk _____ Yes No *ABSENT*

Stephen Schalk *Stephen Schalk* _____ ☒ Yes No

Steven Wagner *Steven Wagner* _____ ☒ Yes No

Certified by Fiscal Officer

Matt Clouse *Matt Clouse* _____