

Operated By NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC

July 15th, 2024

William Longfellow Bureau of General Services 77 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Monthly Report of Landfill Complaints

Dear Mr. Longfellow:

During the month of June 2024 Juniper Ridge Landfill received six complaints from area residents regarding landfill operations. Of which five complaints were confirmed to be landfill related and one was confirmed to be non-landfill related.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 862-4200, ext. 221.

Sincerely,

NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC

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Controller

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JUNIPER RIDGE LANDFILL -LANDFILL COMPLAINT RECORD FORM-June 2024

Date	Time	Nature of Complaint	Description of Complaint	Caller	Location of Complaint	Real Time?	Wind Direction / Speed at JRL	Complaint Downwind from JRL?	Call or Site Visit Made By	Potential Odor Source?	Off-site H2S reading (if applicable)	Landfill Odor Confirmed?	Caller / Responder Comments
06/03/24	5:30 PM	Odor	Landfill odor	Chuck Leithiser	Post Box 654, Route 43, Old Town, ME	Yes	NE - 4 mph	Yes	JRL Operations Manager (site visit)	Landfill	2.0	Yes	The caller stated that it "smells like the landfill." No other details given. JRL staff person who lives on Route 43 investigated the complaint that evening and could not verify odor but low level H2S readings were recorded on a nearby Off-site H2S Monitor. JRL Staff were notified and well tuning adjustments were made to help correct odors.
06/12/24	8:35 AM	Odor	Not Strong Unable to Identify Odor	Ed Spencer	1149 Kirkland Road, Old Town, ME	Yes	NNE - 3 mph	Yes	Environmental Analyst	Landfill	2.8	Yes	The caller stated that at 8:20AM the odor was "not strong, watching weather to give us a heads up" and that the odor was "not strong enough to identify." The EA notes that he was at JRL later that morning to conduct the weekly stormwater inspection and only noticed very faint odors of waste and H2S at the site. Low level H2S readings were recorded on a nearby Off-site H2S Monitor. JRL Staff were notified and well tuning adjustments were made to help correct odors.
06/18/24	10:50 AM	Odor	Sludge	Lester Labelle	2897 Bennoch Rd., Alton, ME	Yes	S - 6 mph	Yes	Operations Manager and Environmental Analyst	Landfill	N/A	Yes	The caller stated that he "smelled sludge" at 10:45 AM. The caller requested a site visit and a call back. At 11:00 AM, the JRL Operations Manager drove near the site and spent 45 minutes investigating the odor complaint. He reported to the EA that there was a faint odor of trash and sludge in the area of the complainant's residence, therefore confirming the complaint for odor. JRL Staff will continue to do their best covering sludge upon delivery.
06/20/24	5:18 PM	Odor	Unfamiliar	Laura Sanborn	2845 Bennoch Rd., Alton, ME	Yes	S/SW - 3 mph	Yes	Environmental Analyst	Landfill	1.6	Yes	The caller stated that at 4:30 PM they detected an "unfamiliar odor at the interstate near the entrance (of JRL)." The caller further stated that the odor "just stinks and (it) hurts to breath in." Low level H2S readings were recorded on a nearby Off-site H2S Monitor. JRL Staff were notified and well tuning adjustments were made to help correct odors.
06/20/24	5:50 PM	Odor	Landfill odor	Chuck Leithiser	Route 116, Edinburg, ME	Yes	SW - 3.8 mph	Yes	N/A	Unknown	1.6	No	The caller stated that at 5:50 PM he detected an odor the "smells like the landfill nothing else smells like that." Odor was detected on Route 116 at the Edinburg town line, which is approximately 14 miles north of the landfill property. Due to low level reading on recorded on the H2S monitor around that time (1.6 ppb) it is very unlikely that landfill was the cause.
06/27/24	9:00 AM	Odor	Sludge and trash	Debra LaBelle	2897 Bennoch Rd., Alton, ME	Yes	SW - 4 mph	Yes	Mike Abbott - site visit. Environmental Analyst - call	Landfill	20.4	Yes	On 6/27/2024 at 9:00 AM, an odor complaint was called in from an Alton resident. The caller stated that they "smelled sludge and trash" at 9:00 AM at their residence. There had been a lot of trucks delivering sludge that morning and that they may have been the source of the odor. The H2S monitor at the time of the complaint recorded 20.4 ppb. This was the only higher H2S reading on this particular day. Other readings recorded off-site ranged from 2-6 ppb. JRL Staff did their best to manage covering deliveries of sludge as they came in and at the end of the day.

Month Total Complaints: 6
Number of Complaints Confirmed to be Landfill Related: 5
Number of Complaints Not Confirmed as Originating from landfill or Possibly from Other Sources: 1

2024	LANDFILL RELATED COMPLAINT CATEGORY										
MONTH	ODOR	NOISE	LIGHTS	DUST	BIRDS	OTHER	TOTAL				
JAN.	11	0	0	0	0	0	11				
FEB.	7	0	0	0	0	0	7				
MAR.	5	0	0	0	0	0	5				
APR.	5	0	0	0	0	0	5				
MAY	1	0	0	0	0	0	1				
JUN.	6	0	0	0	0	0	6				
JUL.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
AUG.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
SEP.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
OCT.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
NOV.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
DEC.	0 0		0	0	0	0	0				
TOTALS	35	0	0	0	0	0	35				

^{*} One additional non-enforceable off-site related complaint was received. It was not landfill related.