### No dump planned near Halton Hills border

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Halton Hills area residents will not have to worry about a landfill on their doorstep.

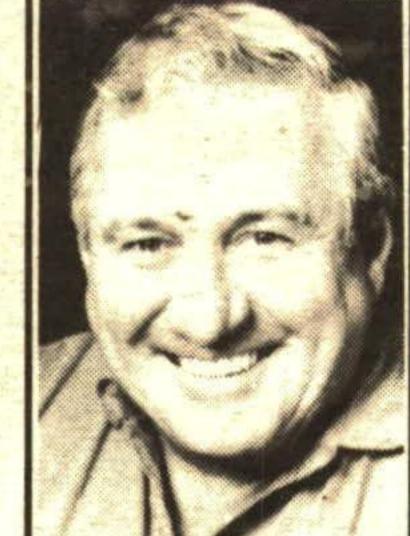
The Interim Waste Authority (IWA) announced Friday morning at a press conference in Woodbridge the preferred site for Peel Region is C-34B in southeast Caledon, not the two sites on Halton Hills border, B-15B and B-22D.

That was good news for members of the Credit Valley Coalition, who have been battling the dump issue since the sites in their area were targeted by the IWA as potential landfill locations. Preferred sites in York/Toronto and Durham regions were also announced. Many residents from areas near the preferred sites were upset by the announcement and heckled and chanted

while chair of the IWA board of directors Walter Pitman discussed the sites and the selection process at the press conference.

"We are feeling relieved," said chair of the Credit Valley Coalition Bruce Reed, who was there for the announcement along with several other coalition members. "But we certainly don't feel grateful that we have been let off the hook by this latest announcement. The IWA and NDP government have put this community through hell for over a year with its threat to build a mega dump near the Credit River."

Another Brampton site, C-48 ranked as the second most preferred site. The two sites bordering Halton Hills, B-15B located in northwest Brampton framed by Mayfield Rd.,



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Heritage Rd. and Wanless Dr., and B-22D which crosses Heritage Rd. and borders Wanless Dr. and the CNR tracks, were eliminated due to on site hydrogeological investiga-

"The investigations revealed complex groundwater quality implying a high degree of sensitivity of the groundwater flow regime," it was stated in an IWA newsletter to Peel residents released Friday. "It was concluded these conditions would preclude reliable prediction of future on site and off-site

changes to groundwater resulting from landfill development at the sites."

Reed said similar groundwater data was included in a study of the area done by Peel Region back in the mid 1980s.

geology offers no protection against serious pollution, would be an unforgivable mistake," said Reed. Reed said the IWA made many mistakes in its approach and that "\$50 million of public money has been wasted by this provincial

government on a garbage management option that is woefully out of date." Reed added voluntary siting of waste disposal facilities is being successfully carried out across North America.

"Anybody with an iota of common sense

would have realized from the start that siting

a mega-dump on prime farmland, in close

proximity to the river, when the underlying

"We are watching an attempt to set the province of Ontario back a quarter of a century," said Halton-Peel MP Julian Reed, also ' on hand for the announcement.

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## Digest

### Rescind motion

Halton Hills council have rescinded a motion passed at the previous committee meeting which would have seen the mayor writing to the chairman of the Royal Bank to state the town's opposition to the Reclamation Systems Inc. (RSI) landfill proposal. The request for the letter came from Barbara Halsall of Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources (POWER). Council rescinded the motion at the advice from the town's solicitor.

Money missing

Police believe two incidents at the Canadian Tire store in Acton are unrelated. Over \$1,000 cash was taken from an office in the store sometime before Monday, police said. The money could have gone missing anytime within the past couple weeks. Police are continuing their investigation. Some merchandise was also taken from a storage shed on the premises sometime overnight Monday. The lock was broken off to gain entry into the trailer, police said.

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### Up in flames

Firefighters from Milton Fire Department Central Station 2 arrived on the scene. Firefighters remained at the fire scene to control the (Campbellville) along with Halton Hills Area 1 (Acton) firefighters, responded to an early morning blaze on Friday, which destroyed a farmhouse on the Sixth Line of Nassagaweya, north of 15 Sideroad. The call was received at 6:40 a.m., and the structure was fully involved when both fire departments

blaze for five hours. According to Milton Fire Department, the occupants had moved out earlier in the week, leaving the house vacant. Cause of the fire is unknown and still under investigation.

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