

Buffalo Valley Neighbors Association



Court Decision on Biosolids Plant

Buffalo Township recently won a legal battle in its on-going effort to protect pristine agricultural land in our valley.

In 2009, Buffalo Township denied zoning approval for the proposed municipal waste processing facility on Furnace Road in Mifflinburg, insisting that it belongs in an industrial area, not on land zoned agricultural.

On February 15, 2011, the Court of Common Pleas upheld the 2009 decisions of the Township's Zoning Officer and the Zoning Hearing Board.

The Court agreed with the Township, the proposed Biosolids facility does not qualify as an "agricultural business" and, therefore; should not be built on land zoned agricultural.

An additional application for zoning approval for a sludge plant was submitted, denied, and appealed in 2010—this appeal is still pending.