

LANDFILL SITE — ALLAWUNA FARM

Petition

HON DARREN WEST (Agricultural — Parliamentary Secretary) [1.03 pm]: I present a petition containing 771 signatures couched in the following terms —

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australian Parliament assembled.

We the undersigned residents of Western Australia are opposed to the landfill proposed by Alkina Holdings Pty Ltd—Great Southern Landfill, at Allawuna Farm, Part of Lot 4869, 5931, 9926 & 26934 Great Southern Highway, St Ronans WA 6302. We are concerned about:

1. The potential for leachate and contaminants to pollute the Mundaring Weir catchment area, National Forest & Parks, environmentally sensitive areas, ground water and river systems;
2. The proposal is not consistent with the Shire of York's 2018 Local Planning Scheme and is not supported by the Mid-West Wheatbelt Joint Development Assessment Panel;
3. The site is of significant importance to the Noongar, Ballardong people;
4. The transport of waste on the Great Southern Highway (Chidlow/York M010);
5. The proposal does not align with the objectives of the Australian National Waste Policy and the Draft Western Australia State Waste Infrastructure Plan;
6. The proposal has significantly changed from the original SITA proposal and has been warehoused since 2012;
7. The area relies entirely on surface and ground water. The ground water has not been mapped in this region.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council oppose the Great Southern Landfill and conduct an inquiry into waste management planning for the metropolitan area and risk management of the location of landfill sites in regional areas.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[See paper 2420.]