



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
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March 14, 2011

**RE: MONROE COUNTY
SITE - GENERAL**

Mr. Claude Wine
38992 State Route 800
Woodsfield, Ohio 43793

Dear Mr. Wine:

On January 7, 2011, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency received a complaint concerning property owned by you on Bondi Ridge Road near the intersection with Cranes Nest Creek Road in Monroe County. This complaint alleged the open dumping of solid waste on this property. On January 19, 2011, I investigated this complaint and found it to be valid. I observed the accumulation of approximately 30 to 40 tires (southeast of the bridge) and other solid waste on your property.

On March 10, 2011, I re-inspected the site and found conditions had not apparently changed.

Improper storage of scrap tires poses several potential problems for the local residents, environment, and emergency crews in the area. Scrap tires provide an optimal breeding ground for mosquitoes. Mosquitoes identified at tire piles in Ohio can carry St. Louis Encephalitis, La Crosse Encephalitis, Yellow Fever, Dengue Fever and West Nile Virus.

Scrap tire fires are a source of air pollution and can cause respiratory problems for those that breathe the smoke. Tire fires are also difficult for emergency crews to extinguish.

Please note that the above noted dumping is in violation of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) chapter 3734.03 and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-27-05(C).

ORC 3734.03 states in part:

No person shall dispose of solid wastes by open dumping or open burning. . .

OAC 3745-27-05(C) states:

No person shall conduct, permit, or allow open dumping. In the event that open dumping is occurring or has occurred at a property, the person(s) responsible for the open dumping, the owner of the property, or the person(s) who allow or allowed open dumping to occur, shall promptly remove and dispose or otherwise manage the solid waste in accordance with Chapter 3734. of the Revised Code, and shall submit verification that the solid waste has been properly managed.

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Ohio law requires that anyone removing scrap tires for disposal must take the tires to either a licensed or registered scrap tire collection, recovery or disposal facility. Anyone transporting more than ten (10) scrap tires must be registered with Ohio EPA as a Scrap Tire Transporter. The other solid waste (electronics, mattresses, etc.) must also be removed from the above-mentioned property and disposed of at either a licensed solid waste disposal facility or taken to a legitimate recycling facility. Copies of receipts for disposal or recycling should be submitted to this office for proof of disposal.

Please respond to this correspondence within 14 days of receipt. Your response should include details of your actions taken to properly dispose or recycle the current waste on your property.

Please be advised that due to a change in work assignments at Ohio EPA, all future correspondence regarding this matter should be directed to **Craig Walkenspaw**, of this office. If you have any questions, please contact Craig either by mail or by phone at (740) 380-5440.

Sincerely,



Mark Mansfield
Environmental Specialist II
Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management

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cc: Craig Walkenspaw, SEDO-DSIWM