



State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Southeast District Office

2195 Front Street
Logan, Ohio 43138

TELE: (740) 385-8501 FAX: (740) 385-6490
www.epa.state.oh.us

Ted Strickland, Governor
Lee Fisher, Lieutenant Governor
Chris Korleski, Director

September 7, 2010

**RE: BELMONT COUNTY
SITE - GENERAL**

Village of Belmont
Attention: Mayor Richard Thompson
112 Market Street
Belmont, Ohio 43718

Dear Mayor Thompson:

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency has received a complaint concerning the open dumping of solid waste on a property located along Bridge Street in Belmont, Ohio. This property appears to be used by the village street department. On June 22, 2010, I investigated this complaint and found it to be valid. On August 9, 2010, I conducted a follow-up at the site and it appears that solid waste is still present in the ravine towards the southeastern portion of the property. I also observed a large pile of vegetative debris on the site.

Open dumping of solid waste is a violation of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) chapter 3734.03 and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-27-05(C).

ORC 3734.03 states in part:

ORC 3734.03 - No person shall dispose of solid wastes by open dumping or open burning.

OAC 3745-27-05(C) states:

OAC 3745-27-05(C) - No person shall conduct, permit, or allow open dumping.

Please respond to this correspondence within 14 days of receipt. All solid wastes must be removed from the property for proper disposal. Receipts of disposal will be needed for proof of proper disposal. Also, if the village is interested in starting a composting facility, please contact this office regarding the registration requirements for such a facility.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at this office. You can reach me either by mail or by calling me at (740) 380-5443.

Sincerely,

Trevor L. Irwin, R.S.
Environmental Specialist II
Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management

TLI/cb