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To the attention of Walter Floyd;

I will provide photos of my tour of the Lindeman properties and of areas adjoining the Lindeman Properties and attach them to this request.

I am not a professional environmental engineer nor do I profess to be an expert on reclamation or grading requirements. I DO have a long history of understanding Best Use on land and other properties due to a long career involvement in real estate, county general planning meetings and documentation for over 25 years. I also sat on the Solid Waste Management Plan for EDC helping to produce an award winning plan for achieving a solid waste reduction plan for the next 30 to 50 years that was approved by the sitting Board of Supervisors 5-0 on January 2012.

Your letter to Mr. Steven Proe came to my attention on a Facebook post I received, regarding that you have impugned Mr. Murray's character and information as to him providing untruths about the Lindeman properties --APN051-250-51 & APN051-250-54 and that the Waste Connections MRF facility APN051-250-47 being at an elevation BELOW, NOT ABOVE the Lindeman parcels, the major point source of the lime deposits and sludge ponds from the old lime processing plants remains on Waste Connections and other parcels above the Lindeman properties. If you really want to substantiate facts, you will come up out of your government desk and see that your integrity is being damaged either by those reporting to you or by your own accord. Mr. Murray has offered a challenge to anyone from the State, County or Waste Connections to prove his statements are not correct.

Unfortunately, you seem unaware that in order to determine up or down on elevations of land you must have other than a parcel map and be able to read one that provides ELEVATIONS. If you have NOT been physically out on the Lindeman parcels, then you need to ask Mr. Mike Murray to escort you and identify what was actually done onsite and personally view that the MRF of Waste Connections sits on filthy polluted property and is South and ABOVE and up and over 40 feet higher than the completed reclamation plan performed by Mr. Murray that is flat and on elevations BELOW the MRF and its holding ponds. One picture shows the ending of the LINDEMAN PROPERTY THAT WAS TAKEN DOWN TO BEDROCK AND MIXED WITH FILL TO END UP BEING AT LEAST 15 FT. LOWER AT THE SITE OF THE PHOTO WHERE THE LAYERS OF LIME SLUDGE ACROSS THE NORTH EDGE OF THE PARCELS ALONG THE Waste Connections property line lay exposed as they have never done any reclamation to their parcels this SHOULD SHOW that they are point source for a considerable amount of effluent coming out onto the Lindeman property, NOT the other way around as you state. Mr. Murray told me he was asked to cover up the exposed southern cuts and walls on that edge of the property but would not do so as it was on Waste Connections property and he was working for Mr. Lindeman. I am sure that photo is not a welcome exposure as it was taken by me on the 31st of May this year, (your letter is dated June 1, 2016) when I joined a tour of the private property with the property owner and a professional consultant by an environmental firm taking samples of the outflow along the edges of the Lindeman property and the El Dorado Trail.

Also it may interest you to know that our group was viewed and "checked out for hours by adjoining property owners and two deputies of the county sheriff sitting up above Waste Connections under a tree next to a metal building outside their vehicles watching us on private property, one unmarked and one marked, what is up with that Sheriff John, why are you not assigning much needed support to real problems instead of a few people on private property viewing impacts toxic from neighboring properties? Are you one of the people that are not wanting this exposed who are very much aware of what is being covered up under Waste Connections properties and how to get the focus off their

project with the county and their recent merger and IPO and the other properties to be without scrutiny to move the Diamond Dorado Parkway forward and other properties developed and completed for the investments they were being held to attain?

Mr. Floyd, you pointed out in a letter that was published on Facebook that the MRF and Waste Connections facility, (with its inadequate holding ponds, during an event of heavy extended rain fall), was overflowed to the East and West by ponding and drainage from the Lindeman property above it, that is more than laughable, it is very improbable that; that much water could flow all the way south uphill onto the Waste Connection MRF facilities and then back down into the tributaries that flow along the sides of the Lindeman properties.

Mr. Murray stated to me he did the repair work to part of the tipping floor when Waste Management owned the facility and when he opened it up there was a huge pond of white lime slurry and slag underneath the tipping floor where the pond linings had collapsed. I am willing to attest that (during an El Dorado Solid Waste Advisory meeting a few years ago, date specific to be check on an older calendar) Ms. Sue Vanderlin, VP Waste Connections, current President-elect to El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce, stated that they could not use their heavy equipment on the tipping floor that sits directly over one of the largest slurry slag ponds of the old lime plant site due to its instability. Some of the old ponds are historically noted to be up to 25 plus feet deep. So the likelihood that the slurry and pollution flowed UPHILL from reclaimed Lindeman properties to the properties that contain the Waste Connections MRF, is physically smoking mirrors to confuse the populous and those who have never been out on the parcels in question. This is evidently causing the uninformed to believe that the reclaimed Lindeman properties are point source of the pollution along the El Dorado Trail and beyond instead of the Waste Connections MRF. Which by the way is supposed to be rebuilt due to the new CA State storm drainage rules that they informed the EDSWAC committee cannot be mitigated as they exist. Therefore, Waste Connections has in its recently **re-approved franchise agreement with El Dorado County** to submit a plan (yet to be seen) to rebuild on or over the old MRF (and slurry ponds and holding ponds) without any consideration to the necessity to clean up the site prior to the work commencing. They are protected by County Chambers of Commerce, who in this case have members of their boards of directors with huge funds and conflicts of interests in the parkway and retail projects moving forward and the other well-meaning organizations who do not understand or are willing to take a few lobbied offerings to charitable good deeds to stay quiet and ignorant.

You should be sending THEM (El Dorado County on the Diamond Dorado Parkway project and a request for Waste Connections to provide same for their building of the new MRF: *ORDER TO SUBMIT TECHNICAL REPORTS, FORMER LIME KILN SITE!!* Along with a requirement to provide a new EIR before commencing ANY work to start the parkway or remodel, rebuild the existing MRF, alter existing MRF or other buildings or replace equipment locations or otherwise. Seems they are moving waste collection containers around to keep the public from viewing the outflow of pollutants from their property from the public eye as it joins the sludge along the El Dorado Trail and previously there were concerned citizens taking videos and pictures in this area from the public bike trail and they were spotted by people standing on Waste Connections properties and told to go away, that they could not take pictures in that area! So what do you think they're trying to hide, or do you know?

The undisclosed necessary appropriation by the county of an additional small acreage of Lindeman property from the elderly owner, who was told and believed that if he signed over the little parcel, in order to be able to move his investment in his parcels in the Dorado Retail project within with the Diamond Dorado Parkway, after spending a million dollars on the reclamation plan, believed the counties request for his little parcel to realign the Diamond Dorado Parkway, as there were not

enough funds to start the project without the realignment, due to the requirement of a new EIR. This was done about one week before the supervisors removed from his parcels from the project, (without his knowledge or understanding) by a Board of Supervisors unanimous vote on the consent calendar at the BOS meeting on May 3rd. without comment. This removal of huge amounts of property from the existing EIR for the Diamond Dorado Parkway and Retail Center plan was supposed to allow the Diamond Dorado Parkway, now with an additional 4 acres of Lindeman property, signed over without compensation, allowed the county DOT to move forward without having to have the other parcels in the original EIR, including Waste Connections, perform reclamation for any existing point source of the lime deposits and sludge and slurry ponds under the soils where they are polluting ground water and entering old buried culverts from reclamation attempts that now resurface onto the bike trail edges and beyond.

The pollution drainage you state was washed DOWN on top of the Lindeman property from Waste Connections have produced a public safety and toxicity that should cease any and all projects that are projected or in process UNDER, ON, OR OVER, the properties in question until they are certified not to be an endangerment to the public or property owners, livestock, children, pets and wildlife along including but not limited to a public walking and biking trail below them where PH levels on the day I was there were at least 12% on the east side drainage outflows onto the sides of the trail along and below several other businesses on properties that are on the same level as Waste Connections lower 5 small properties APN-051-461-46/05/04/03/10 and over 14% on the West that I watched being tested in the tributary to Weber Creek in massive amounts of yellow smelly sludge and slime and polluting water running down from above and along the West side of the Waste Connections property and the PH. levels were at least 13% but more possibly over 14 % when taken professionally by a private environmental consulting firm of whom I am sure you have been made aware. Waste Connections does not have parcels below and adjacent to the Lindeman Property and they are NOT impacted as the Lindeman property was been reclaimed under an engineered plan directed by the state several years ago and done under a requirement that protects "Life, Property and Public Safety", I will leave those truths up to those who do not know that that requirement overrides the permitting process.

I am not going to ask if there was and is complicity between a now \$4,1 BILLION JUNE 1ST MERGER BY WASTE CONNECTIONS WITH A CANADIAN COMPANY and others involved in this area and projects, however there is surely problems when those who provide information to state and federal Agencies are threatened or imposed upon to not continue their complaints and revelations. I am only asking you to come and see for yourself how much your information has been compromised due to corporate, political and or "good old boys, investment agendas, that are posing a risk to the public-- all of which who are paying your salaries with their taxes from hard earned income. In today's focused and pollution conscious public, several people along on bikes or with children and pets whom I watched stop and take pictures of the (publicly demanded) now only the 2 faded warning signs not to go near the waters and yellow sludge along the trail), none of which are posted to warn pet owners or children's parents at the trailheads to the El Dorado Trail.

Please do your job and see for yourself to STOP forward movement of the parkway and other projects and require a new EIR and clean-up of this decades old site where citizens have posted alerts on social media about the cover-up of El Dorado Counties own Flint Michigan decades old hot lime problem.

Don't think you want a time lapsed video of a bovine or other animal carcass that is being dissolved by the high PH levels in the waters and sludge along a public walking and bicycling trail. Not unlike the unfortunate demise today prompting a decision made by the park service in Yellowstone National

Park (where I have been several times), who decided to not try to find and remove the body of a young 20-year-old man who wandered off the trail and slipped or fell into a pool of volcanic heated high PH bubbling waters. You should be aware; his remains will be dissolved in a short period of time as if he never existed. Is this the fate you would have for residents of El Dorado County who use the public trail?

I remain a concerned citizen,

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Facing South from the Lindeman property line looking at the bank on the Waste Connections property with just a small view of the layers of White Lime slag and pollutant on Waste Connections property that is at least 15 ft. above and extends UPHILL for several 100 yards under the Waste Connections MRF, old slag and slurry pits and holding ponds and beyond! 05/31/2016



Another perspective on the height and depth and extent at the layers of Lime slag on Waste Connections property, this goes on for many many yards. 05/31/2016



I left the backside of another person on the tour in the photo to show the flows and the size of the devastating pollution that is flowing constantly down this tributary from Waste Connections property along the Lindeman property's West side and on down to the Bike Trail and under the trail on into Weber Creek. 05/31/2016



A view from the bottom of the Lindeman Property next 49er Storage at the smallest section of the parcel that abuts and overlooks the El Dorado Trail more visible in the next photo. This shows the close proximity of a field of cattle that actually slopes down to the previous creek, though they are fenced off wildlife and pets and children are NOT. 05/31/2016



This is a closer view of the El Dorado Trail that abuts a small section of the Lindeman Properties North side and the drainage from Waste Connections holding pond that comes from underground down and out of a culvert along an area to the East (right). The other outflow is that which is shown from the previous photo of the polluted visible creek tributary down and under the trail along the Western edge of the Lindeman property to continue out to Weber Creek (to the left). 05/31/2016



This is what your tax dollars have been spent on to warn you about the toxic pollution in the water only a few feet away from you (now one of two signs, faded and disintegrating), yes only two signs along just this part of the trail. None ever have been posted on the bulletin board to warn you at the trailhead, EDC Environmental Management could not warn you ahead of time, they want to wait until you come upon it and not give public the choice to go to another part of the trail or admit that they have failed over several decades to do their due diligence to protect the public, this is what a huge department using your money, that is bent on NOT giving proper warning from the beginning of the trail about being cautious of your children, pets and yourselves as you take off walking, biking, running and perhaps distance yourself from a child or pet who cannot read who may get into the polluted muck you can see if you were properly warned to look for it, since the state of county agencies will NOT demand Waste Connection's or the county owned properties for the Diamond Dorado Parkway and DOT to clean it up!! Not like they did to Mr. Lindeman who spent 1 Million dollars to reclaim his parcels with a reclamation plan and now they want to push to put the problem on his parcels. This only points to the upstream parcels ABOVE his property, those who have NOT done a reclamation plan, who is covering up for whom in this decades old ongoing mess?? **Pictures tell us a thousand words. You can get a tour yourselves if you want to see the truth, your county departments will not tell you, so go see for yourselves. The owner has a representative who will be happy to show you. Hurry, for the property is now in escrow and the new owner may or may not be so gracious.**



A medical professional who bikes the trail frequently with a child (out of the picture) stopped to take pictures of the sign and the pollution flowing from under the El Dorado Trail acknowledging that this was very serious toxic stuff and was exasperated that the county was not getting it stopped! Hopefully Mr. Walter Floyd will take his position seriously and do something that the County of El Dorado has refused to do for over 30 plus years!!!