

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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During the oral communication section of the agenda for Tuesday, March 27, 2012, Ann Weston spoke about building on waste sites in Menifee.

**ATTACHMENTS FILED WITH
CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**AGENDA NO.
9.9**

County Board of Supervisors, March 27, 2012 Tuesday

IN MY OPINION BASED ON RESEARCH

Homes BUILT ON SEWAGE SLUDGE

Why did the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, etc., approve homes, schools, churches to be built on toxic waste when their own ordinances don't allow it, nor does the Environmental Pollution Agency (EPA) Besides, ~~local laws can be made more stringent as stated in federal law, but not less. Building homes is less.~~

The EPA wrote ~~Guide to the Biosolids Risk Assessments for the Part 503 Rule, which~~ Applies to application of sewage sludge on farmland as a soil amendment and fertilizer and not to build homes, yet up until 2008 when Menifee became a city, tracts of homes were approved and built in Menifee. Not all tests had rigid soil testing & Phase II testing.

To prove its not toxic, testing must be done.

What is sewage ^{the land} sludge? It contains industrial & mortuary waste, hospital and human waste, anything that goes down the drain. These toxic wastes contain poisonous heavy metals such as lead, mercury & thousands of toxic chemicals but only 12 are tested.

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the EPA ... "cannot assure the public that current land application practices ... are protective of human health and the environment." If it omitted to the antibiotic resistance in sewage sludge the EPA could no longer promote it as a benign product.

- CFR Federal Rule 503.40 infers that Class A could be used near homes.
- Staff report 830, etc, "limits how close sludge may be spread near homes, schools and road,
- Several scientist have studied the issue... and don't know whether the sludge is safe to spread near homes.
- Dr. David Lewis says "oftentimes, the wastes are applied in and around residential Areas and illnesses and even deaths, are occurring from breathing sewage sludge dusts blowing in from treated fields. Now deaths are occurring here in Menifee.

~~In my opinion~~ this is a very serious matter. The Riverside County Board of Supervisors plus many others approved building on toxic wastes in the city of Menifee etc up until 2008. What course of action should be taken? Remediation of the land, Stop dumping, building and ~~cease~~ sales of homes? ~~I don't know. In my opinion I don't know.~~ I do know, I want the dying to stop.

what will happen, what should happen, I don't know. But I do know & want the dying to stop.

Submitted by *Ann Weston*
3/27/2012 (date) Item *oral*

**Riverside County Board of Supervisors
Request to Speak**

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium),
Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject
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SPEAKER'S NAME: Ann Weston

Address: X
(only if follow-up mail response requested)

City: Menifee **Zip:** _____

Phone #: _____

Date: 3-27-12 **Agenda #** Public

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HOMES BUILT / HOMES TRAIL WASTE

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