Siting Community Facilities

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Alderwood Water & Wastewater District
Advertisement circa 1970

“If you were born in 1919, you should be dead by now”
## U.S. Life Expectancy

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Major Contributors
Needed Facilities

- Pump stations
- Pipelines
- Sewage treatment plants
- Garbage transfer stations
- Landfills
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“Everybody wants me to pick it up; Nobody wants me to put it down”

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Affordability vs. Acceptance
Picnic Point Wastewater Plant

- Built 1972
- Upgraded 2012
- 6 MGD
The Neighborhood
Airport Road Recycling & Transfer Station

- Opened 2003
- Accepts Large trucks and small self-haulers
- Free recycling facilities
- Sends waste off site to rail facility
Landfill
Lessons Learned

- Focus on facility need and benefits
- Focus on community concerns
- Identify stakeholders
- Visit other facilities
- Communicate, Communicate, Communicate
- Invest in solutions
- Siting work never ends
By the way...

- Mom lived to be 80
- Dad lived to be 80
- I am aiming for 100