

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: UTILIZATION OF CONTAMINATED DUMP FOR TRAILER PARKING

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A brief discussion was held concerning the above mentioned subject and it would appear that no contaminated dump could enter into a happier hereafter than to become a trailer park. If this is to be accepted there are a couple of things to be kept in mind. In the first place the area will have to be leveled and this is normally done by scraping the high spots into the low spots. Unfortunately this particular dump is somewhat thin skinned for this and there are places where if too much cover were scraped off it would bleed. This would be a type of hemorrhage which could not be controlled by Dr. Oakes and furthermore the entire dump could not be placed in an ambulance. Therefore care must be taken in scraping the surface.

Thought will have to be given to the final surface which will be placed on the top. After looking out my window, it occurred to me that it ought to be very simple to flood the place and let it freeze. Dean Meyer, however, reminded me of the quotation from Shelley "O, Wind, If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?" This called to mind the fact that this surface would undoubtedly be impermanent. Furthermore one probably won't get around to building this thing until summer, at which time it would be impossible to apply a frozen surface. Therefore, a surface of some other more permanent type will necessarily have to be applied and in addition there will have to be some rules and regulations which will prohibit anyone from digging holes there except with prior approval and proper supervision.

H-Division is delighted that this particular dump is going to be covered over with something as we have planned this as a desirable procedure for the past 15 years. We will try to be magnanimous to Chuck Reynolds in his defeat.

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