

AGENDA ITEM

- **BOARD DISCUSSION ON A QUESTION POSED BY ORANGE COUNTY STAFF: WOULD OWASA CONSIDER A LAND-SWAP WITH ORANGE COUNTY FOR OWASA'S ROUTE 54 PROPERTY?**

BACKGROUND

- Orange County staff contacted OWASA staff to ask if OWASA would consider the "concept" of a land-swap with Orange County for OWASA's property near NC 54 West and Orange Grove Road. Orange County does not have a specific proposal to make at this time, but wants to know if OWASA would be agreeable to consider the "concept" of a land-swap.
- The OWASA Board has previously advised Orange County that this property is not for sale because the property is already in use for an important public purpose as part of our biosolids management program.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Since the OWASA Board could set the criteria under which a land-swap with Orange County would be considered, staff has no objections to considering this possibility.

March 12, 2009



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Ed Kerwin

DATE: March 6, 2009

SUBJECT: Board discussion on a question posed by Orange County Staff: Would OWASA consider a land-swap with Orange County for OWASA's Route 54 property?

Mr. Gayle Wilson, Orange County Director of Solid Waste, contacted me and asked if OWASA would consider a land-swap with Orange County for our property near NC 54 West and Orange Grove Road. Mr. Wilson said that Orange County does not have a specific proposal to make at this time, but he wants to know on behalf of Orange County, if OWASA would be agreeable to consider the "concept" of a land-swap.

The OWASA Board has previously advised Orange County that this property is not for sale because it is already in use for an important public purpose as part of our biosolids management program (see attached letter dated January 23, 2009). Since the OWASA Board could set the criteria under which a land-swap with Orange County would be considered, staff has no objections to considering this possibility.

Ed Kerwin
Executive Director

Attachment