



No Septic Sludge  
Lagoons on the  
banks of the  
Gatineau River

## SAVE THE GATINEAU (RIVER) QUEBEC, CANADA

WORLD WIDE MEDIA HEADQUARTERS TO STOP HIGHLY UNPOPULAR PLAN (WAKEFIELD / CHELSEA / FARRELLTON QC) TO BUILD 10 ACRE OPEN STYLE SEPTIC SLUDGE LAGOONS PLANNED 20KM UPSTREAM FROM OTTAWA CANADA – YOU CAN HELP

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# OPEN LETTER TO ALL WEST QUEBEC MAYORS REQUESTING SOLID SCIENTIFIC DATA SUPPORTING MANDATORY SEPTIC TANK PUMPING.

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Open Letter to all West Quebec Mayors requesting their actual scientific data supporting mandatory septic tank pumping every two years. 6 June, 2011

All Mayors,  
MRC des Collines,  
MRC Pontiac,  
MRC Vallee de la Gatineau

Dear Mayors:

You have recently read that Dow Chemical won its court case vs. the Quebec government with respect to the fact that the product 2,4-D is not harmful to the environment. The Quebec government has no technical documentation that supported their case. Similarly, the Quebec government has no technical documentation supporting forced septic tank pumping (or for municipal water testing or for public safety policies). I have sent 13 letters to MNA Stephanie Vallee requesting such documentation and she has not responded with the documentation, nor will she admit that such does not exist.

As most of you know, as a retired engineer, I am strongly against Quebec's Q2.r8 mandatory septic tank pumping law because it is foolish, unnecessarily very expensive and it is not technically supported.

I have two homes at my farm. I have only emptied the septic tanks every ten years. Even so, each time that the pumper was called, I obtained his agreement that the tanks did not have to be emptied.

You are aware that Quebec law requires an engineer to design new septic tank facilities for rural residents. The cost to install a new system is very high. It is not understandable as to why this high cost will only produce septic systems that must be emptied every two years.

Recently, I have been experimenting with two products that, used once a year, deliver excellent results. I have proven that these products will eliminate the crust and the sludge in a septic tank, including paper, so that the content of the tank is always liquid. This is the case now with both of my septic tanks. They will never have to be emptied again.

Just think what the cost and truck pollution savings would be if 80%, or more, of rural septic tanks did not have to be emptied every two years ... or ever. Sadly, the main obstacle to achieve this is you mayors. You have refused to force the Quebec government to do research centrally on your/our behalf and have refused to even consider doing so yourselves. There are dozens of products available to liquefy septic tanks and you should be trying to help your taxpayers by not ignoring research on these products.

### NEXT MRC DES COLLINES MEETING

Thurs June 16, 2011 -- Chelsea QC  
possible septic sludge lagoon site  
selection  
6pm  
216 Old Chelsea Road (beside St.  
Stephen's Church)  
Chelsea QC

CLICKfor PDF MAP with the two sites  
currently being recommended for 10 acre  
septic sludge treatment lagoons: Map of  
locations

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lagoons overflowing in Charlevoix region  
of Quebec. Private operator blames  
rainfall...

### SAVE THE GATINEAU EVENTS/DATES OF INTEREST

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Today Sunday, 12 June

Displaying events after 12/6.

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Sunday, 12 June

10:00 Friends of the Gatineau R

Thursday, 16 June

18:00 MRC des Collines (7 May

Friday, 1 July

10:00 Canada Day on the Wate

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There is no question that the solid content of holding tanks, and other facilities, will require some form of transportation and treatment, but the volume to be processed will be at least 80% less than what you are forcing upon citizens today. This can be achieved by depositing the solids, using liquid-return septic trucks, directly to a modern garbage incineration or gasification facility.

You are all aware of the unrest of our citizens throughout West Quebec ... unrest and protest because of perceived poor leadership by you mayors. You cannot deny this.

Working together to perform research and to find a truly simple, modern and minimum cost approach to treating septic waste would demonstrate to your taxpayers that you really can make a difference and help them.

Why not?

Respectfully,

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