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NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Lane Gould  
Bureau of General Services  
77 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333

**RE: Monthly Report of Landfill Complaints**

Dear Mr. Gould:

During the month of July 2025 Juniper Ridge Landfill received eleven complaints from area residents regarding landfill operations. Six complaints were confirmed to be landfill related and the other five could not be confirmed and may/may not have been landfill related.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 862-7105.

Sincerely,  
NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC

Wendy Plissey  
Controller

enc.

**JUNIPER RIDGE LANDFILL**  
**-LANDFILL COMPLAINT RECORD FORM-**  
**July 2025**

Date	Time	Nature of Complaint	Description of Complaint	Caller	Location of Complaint	Real Time?	Wind Direction / Speed at JRL	Complaint Downwind from JRL?	Call or Site Visit Made By	Potential Odor Source?	Off-site H2S reading (if applicable)	Landfill Odor Confirmed?	Caller / Responder Comments
07/11/25	2:43 AM	Odor	Sludge Odor	Andre Vinguait	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	No	SSW @ 1 mph	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Unknown	0	No	At 2:43 AM, an Alton resident stated that he detected a sludge odor at his residence at 1:00 AM and had to close the windows. No sludge odor was detected at the home during the site visit conducted at 2:50 AM. Due to the call coming at a later time the complaint was not able to be verified. There was no change in wind direction or wind speed at the time of the site visit. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.
07/13/25	12:50 AM	Odor	Sludge Odor	Andre Vinguait	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	No	SSW @ 7 mph	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Unknown	0	No	At 12:50 AM, an Alton resident stated that he detected a sludge odor at his residence at 12:15 AM. No sludge odor was detected during the site visit made at 12:57 AM. Due to the call coming at a later time the complaint was not able to be verified. There was no change in wind direction or wind speed at the time of the site visit. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.
07/15/25	1:22 AM	Odor	Sludge and Trash Odors	Andre Vinguait	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	SSW @ 3.6	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Landfill	0	Yes	At 1:22 AM, an Alton resident stated that he detected sludge and trash odors at his residence at 1:15 AM and had to close windows. Only a trash odor was detected during the site visit made at 1:29 AM. No sludge odor was detected. There was no change in wind direction or wind speed at the time of the site visit. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.
07/15/25	5:54 AM	Odor	Sludge Odor	Andre Vinguait	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	W @ 1.1	No	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Landfill	0	Yes	At 5:54 AM, an Alton resident called in and stated that he called in about sludge and trash odors at his residence at 1:15 AM and the sludge odors was worse now (5:54 AM). Sludge odors were not verified but trash odor were the during site visit at 6:00 AM. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.
07/16/25	9:00 AM	Odor	Sludge, Trash and Rotten Eggs	Steve Stone	2922 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	SW @ 0 mph	Yes	Gas Plant Manager - Site Visit Call back not requested	Unknown	0	No	At 9:00 AM, an Alton resident called in and said it smelled like sludge, trash, and rotten eggs at his residence at 9:00 AM. Odors were not verified during the site visit conducted at 9:25 AM. Wind speeds changed to 3 mph during site visit. JRL staff continue to work hard to get waste deliveries mixed with bulking materials and buried as soon as possible. Daily cover materials are placed on all wastes before the end of the working day.
07/17/25	9:15 AM	Odor	Sludge Odor	Andre Vinguait	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	SW @ 1 mph	Yes	Environmental Analyst - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Unknown	0	No	At 9:15 AM, an Alton resident called and said he detected a sludge odor at his residence at 9:00 AM. The sludge odor was not verified during the site visit conducted at 9:45 AM. At the time of the site visit the wind direction changed to out of the north at 3 to 4 mph which made it difficult to verify. JRL staff continue to work hard to get sludge deliveries mixed with bulking materials and buried as soon as possible. Daily cover materials are placed on all wastes before the end of the working day.
07/24/25	4:00 AM	Odor	Sludge Odor	Andre Vinguait	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	SSW @ 4 mph	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Landfill	0	Yes	At 4:00 AM, an Alton resident called and said he detected a sludge odor at his residence at 12:24 AM and had to close windows. He stated that the sludge odor was still present at 4:00 AM. During the site visit no sludge odor was detected but trash odors were present at 4:10 AM. There was no change in wind direction or wind speed at the time of the site visit. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.

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07/25/25	12:14 AM	Odor	Sludge and Trash Odors	Andre Vingualt	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	SSW @ 6 mph	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Environmental Analyst - Call	Landfill	0	Yes	At 12:41 AM, an Alton resident called and said he detected sludge and trash odors at his residence at 12:14 AM. Sludge and trash odors were verified during a site visit at 12:20 AM. Wind direction and speed were unchanged. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.
07/27/25	9:00 AM	Odor	Rotten Eggs	Steve Stone	2922 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	S @ 3 mph	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Call back not requested	Landfill	0	Yes	At 9:00 AM, an Alton resident called in and said it smelled like rotten eggs at his residence at the time of call (9:00 AM). During the site visit which occurred at 9:20 AM, sludge, trash and a faint gassy odor could be detected. Change in wind direction did occur to the southwest at 6 mph. JRL staff continue to work hard to get waste deliveries mixed with bulking materials and buried as soon as possible. Daily cover materials are placed on all wastes before the end of the working day.
07/28/25	1:07 AM	Odor	Landfill Odors	Andre Vingualt's son	2915 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	SW @ 3 mph	Yes	JRL Odor Responder - Site Visit Call back not requested	Landfill	0	Yes	At 1:07 AM, an Alton resident called and said he was woken up by the smell of landfill odors at his residence at 1:07 AM. Sludge and trash odors were confirmed during the site visit conducted at about 1:15 AM. There was no change in wind direction or speed at the time of the site visit. JRL staff are working to evaluate cover procedures at the landfill in order to mitigate offsite odor complaints.
07/30/25	9:15 AM	Odor	Sludge and Trash Odors	Steve Stone	2922 Bennoch Road, Alton, ME	Yes	S @ 0 mph	Yes	Environmental Analyst - Site Visit	Unknown	0	No	At 9:15 AM, an Alton resident called in and said that sludge and trash odors was permeating through the inside of his house. The odors were not verified during a site visit conducted at 9:25 AM. Wind direction during the site visit were from the SSW @ 4 mph. JRL staff continue to work hard to get waste deliveries mixed with bulking materials and buried as soon as possible. Daily cover materials are placed on all wastes before the end of the working day.

**Month Total Complaints: 11**

**Number of Complaints Confirmed to be Landfill Related: 6**

**Number of Complaints Not Confirmed as Originating from landfill or Possibly from Other Sources: 5**

<b>2025</b>	LANDFILL RELATED COMPLAINT CATEGORY						MONTH TOTAL
MONTH	ODOR	NOISE	LIGHTS	DUST	BIRDS	OTHER	
JAN.	7	0	0	0	0	0	7
FEB.	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
MAR.	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
APR.	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
MAY	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
JUN.	10	1	0	0	0	0	11
JUL.	11	0	0	0	0	0	11
AUG.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEP.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCT.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOV.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEC.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>46</b>