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TO: Scappoose Community

RE: Possible Odors

Dear Scappoose Citizens,

The City of Scappoose Wastewater Department will begin the process of transporting and land applying Class B biosolids to local farm fields this week. Due to this process, you may notice some odors in your neighborhood depending upon wind direction.

The City has been performing this process for many years. Originally it was applied as a liquid and just a few years ago, became a dry process. The dry process allows for many benefits from added storage capacity at the Plant to easier and more economical land application by using traditional manure spreading equipment.

The City has posted information from Oregon DEQ and EPA describing Biosolids and their uses on our website and Facebook page. These articles also describe testing procedures that the City is required to follow along with information stating the odor does not mean there is a risk to human health.

Scappoose Wastewater Staff works with the Oregon DEQ to ensure the safe processing and handling of these biosolids. We also understand that these circumstances may not be pleasant for the Community and apologize for the inconvenience and potentially unpleasant conditions some of you may be experience.

We appreciate and thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

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Wastewater Treatment Supervisor

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