

Newsletter 2 | March 2022

Association des Riverains de Chauvilly



Dear members of the Chauvilly Riverains Association,

We are pleased to send you our second newsletter and keep you informed of the latest developments. From now on, the newsletter will be structured with two main sections: the latest news in brief and a zoom on an explanatory subject related to Chauvilly's career. We wish you a good reading!

Latest news in brief:

- The Prefect of Ain, who had hastily authorized the Chauvilly landfill project in October 2021, was replaced at the beginning of February 2022. The new Prefect, Mrs. Bigot-Dekeyzer, is a specialist in environmental issues. We hope that his nomination will bring everyone to his senses.
- The Pélichet company continues to oppose the decree prohibiting the movement of heavy goods vehicles on Rue du Jura, pending trial. Prohibiting this movement of heavy vehicles has obtained the support of the town hall of Gex.
- The Atena association has just produced a report with the results of analyses that show that arsenic, heavy metals and other pollutants are present in quantities of concern.

ZOOM on truck traffic in the country of Gex

There are many figures circulating as to the number of dump trucks that will transit by road to and from the Chauvilly site.

Information publicly disseminated by our politicians indicates that this figure would not exceed 50 trucks per day, and therefore that there would be no increase over the existing situation. This is completely false.

This misleading figure was put forward in the captive registration application file filed by the operator in the prefecture. It does not take into account the accumulation of impacts with the processing plant already authorized at the same location up to 40 trucks per day.

It is also quite sad that this plant, authorized in 1998, saw its power double in 2020 without any impact study being carried out or building permits analyzed. A simple prior declaration has indeed been filed with the town hall, tacitly validated. It is also unacceptable that the traffic lanes provided for in the historical impact study were not respected, even though the department had a numerical knowledge of excesses. Nor is it acceptable for facilities of this type to be accepted by the municipality of Gex, on its territory, while the nuisances are borne by the neighboring municipality. It is completely shameful that articles of international scope written in English, German and Spanish boast a processing volume of 200,000 tons per year, as early as October 2019, several months before the prefecture authorizes only 140,000 tons in a hurry.

Officially authorized traffic is therefore increased to 90 trucks per day. This figure must be doubled for round trips. It is therefore a traffic of 180 trucks on average per day that is now authorized.

This average traffic also makes no sense since it is not the operator who is supposed to define the schedules of all manufacturers in the Pays de Gex. Earthmoving activity being very reduced in winter, an estimated traffic of 300 trucks per day is actually expected on sunny days in spring.



What does this mean for you?

Locally:

- Saturation of access to Gex by trucks, where parents go to drop off children at school and Lycée Jeanne d'arc
- Heavy truck traffic near city centres
- Risk of accidents of children for all those travelling on foot or by bike on Rue du Jura
- Insecurity due to the risk of accidents while accessing to the greenway from Cessy during the operating hours of the site

For the whole Pays de Gex:

Grilly, Sauvigny, Divonne, Segny, Ornex, Echenevex, Versonnex Gex: upset by heavy trucks



You can take action! Support the Les Riverains de Chauvilly Association and talk about it around you.



Program of the next zoom sections:

Newsletter 3, May 2022: zoom on water in the country of Gex

Newsletter 4, July 2022: zoom on pollution in the country of Gex

Newsletter 5, September 2022: zoom on the quality of life of the inhabitants of the Gex country

Newsletter 6, November 2022: zoom on the impact on wildlife

More useful information:

<https://www.stopcarrièrechouvilly.fr>



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