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**LRAPA informational meeting scheduled for JH Baxter neighbors**

The Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority is holding an informational meeting in the River Road/Bethel area to review with residents the latest reported findings on issues concerning the JH Baxter & Company wood treatment facility. The January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at the American Red Cross Building, 862 Bethel Drive in Eugene. It will begin at 6:30 PM, and is expected to run about two hours.

“The purpose of this meeting is to provide the residents with an overview on the effectiveness of completed odor control measures and possible additional operational changes the company might consider, according to an engineering effectiveness report submitted to LRAPA by the facility,” said Kim Metzler, of LRAPA. The report authors, Global Environmental Solution, Inc., will give a formal presentation of their findings and be available to answer questions from the community. LRAPA technical staff will be on-hand as well, to take comments and answer questions from citizens.

The report summarizes the process and operational changes JH Baxter has completed to date, and discusses consideration for eight additional creosote emissions/odor reduction strategies. Each of the eight control options includes a description of the technology, potential effectiveness and implementation potential, along with estimated costs for installation and total estimated creosote emissions controlled.

A short presentation by the authors will also be given earlier in the day to the LRAPA Board of Directors at their 12:15 PM monthly meeting at LRAPA, at 1010 Main Street in Springfield. That meeting is open to the public; however, dialog will be limited to that between board members and the presenters.

For more information about either meeting, contact Kim Metzler (ext. 218) or Sally Markos (ext. 217) at LRAPA, at 736-1056.

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