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West Covina's city council is moving forward with the Singpoli Group LLC to build a hotel on land directly next to the unlined, toxic hazardous waste landfill at BKK. This Class I landfill is California's largest toxic hazardous waste landfill and remains one of our state's most dangerous.

A hotel or any intensive development adjacent to an unlined, toxic hazardous waste landfill is entirely unsuitable and dangerous.

Construction activities risk exposing residents of West Covina, Walnut, Valinda and La Puente to landfill gas leaks, blowing toxic dirt, and more groundwater contamination. According to U.S. Census data over 26,000 people live with one mile of BKK; over 176,000 within 3 miles.

The BKK landfill has not been cleaned up. The focus has been on containment - minimizing the spread into the groundwater, soil and air. All the same toxic substances are at BKK that were there when resident evacuations occurred in 1984 and when BKK was closed in 1996. The hotel and other facilities that Singpoli has planned will interfere with future additional landfill containment operations that the California Department of Toxic Substances Control is studying.

The highest priority of our elected representatives must be protecting the health and well-being of the public -- and not potential financial gain for a hotel developer or a city.

Please ensure that until the Class I landfill at BKK is cleaned up and becomes non-hazardous, no intensive development is allowed anywhere near this landfill.

Thank you.

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