

**City of Hudson**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
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Frank J. Comeriato, Jr., Public Works Director

**Interoffice Memorandum**

**To:** Scott Schroyer, Assistant City Manager

**From:** Frank J. Comeriato, Jr., Public Works Director

**Cc:** Tom Munn, PW Superintendent-Services

**Date:** November 20, 2012

**Re:** Hunting on the former YDC property

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Following discussions with the PW Superintendent of Services in considering the possibility of the City allowing public hunting on the former YDC property, the Public Works Department believes that permitting hunting activities on the property would create a safety hazard for the following reasons:

- The Public Properties Division continues to conduct scheduled property security checks of the YDC buildings and grounds. In addition, the City is still conducting property tours. Allowing hunting could put employees and visitors in harm's way.
- Emergency service training exercises continue on the property by approval of the City Manager. This includes canine officer training through wooded areas. Regularly scheduled training sessions both in the vacant buildings and on the exterior grounds can involve large groups of emergency personnel that would be sharing the property with hunters, thereby creating a safety hazard.
- The YDC property is adjacent to the City's waste water facility access road and facilities. Employees of the Water Resources Division as well as City contractors regularly walk the waste water facility grounds. Sharing this area with hunters could create a safety hazard.
- Contract engineering personnel have been conducting property Surveys unscheduled and unannounced. These individuals could be put in harm's way.

In summary, considering the above activities taking place on or adjacent to the former YDC property, the Public Works staff believes that permitting public hunting on the property would not be safe at this time.