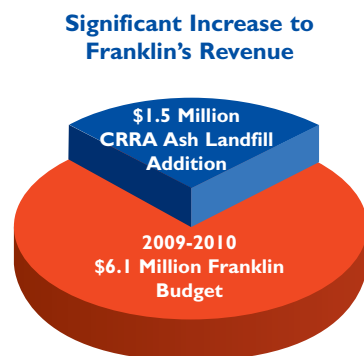


Financial Security for Franklin!

That's what the ash landfill proposed by the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority would bring the Town of Franklin. It's a significant benefit, particularly in this time of economic upheaval.

Reports are that like many other communities in Connecticut and around the country, Franklin is undergoing some financial difficulties. Town revenues are anticipated to be down approximately \$122,000 in fiscal 2009-2010. While this would be a small shortfall for many communities, for Franklin – a community with an existing municipal budget of just \$6.1 million – it's pretty significant.



Unlike most other communities, however, Franklin can obtain guaranteed financial security through CRRA's proposed ash landfill on Route 32, behind the former Franklin

Farms. This is because state law mandates that CRRA pay the host community – the community where ash is deposited – a minimum of \$5 per ton of ash. Based on current projections, it means that Franklin would be paid at least \$1.5 million annually.

The method of payment isn't defined by the law and would instead be determined by the Town. The money could be paid to the taxpayers of Franklin a number of different ways, including but not limited to the following:

- 1** Funds payable to the Town of Franklin – estimated to be \$1.5 million per year for 30 years.
- 2** Funds payable directly to each member of a family of a residential property owner – estimated to be \$800 per person per year for 30 years.
- 3** Funds payable to the owner of each residential dwelling unit – estimated to be \$1,800 per residential dwelling unit per year.
- 4** Funds payable to infrastructure improvement or other Town projects.

For additional information on CRRA's proposed Franklin ash landfill please visit www.ctsafeashlandfill.com



This is one in a series of informational pieces about CRRA's proposed ash landfill.

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