

YTV Waste Treatment
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YTV Waste Management Centre

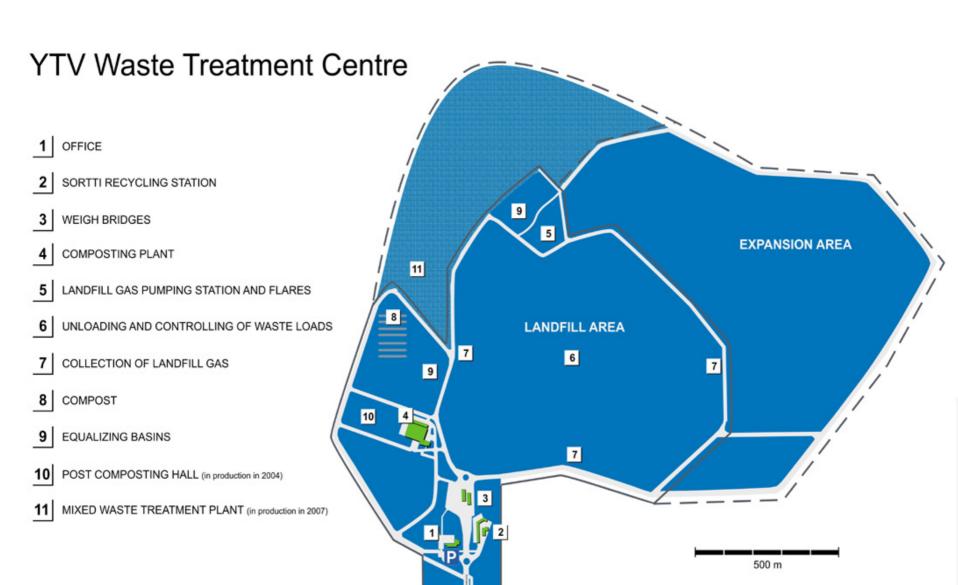




The Waste Treatment Center

- is located on the western boundary of Espoo
- The operations were started in 1987 and will continue at least until 2040-2050
- The total area is approximately 190 hectares: at the moment 50 hectares as the actual landfill area





The Main Functions

- The landfill area:
 - the reception of the mixed waste
 - quality control of groundwater, surface water and leachate
 - a gas collection system
- The reception of different recyclable waste
- The composting plant: preparation and storage of compost
- The Sortti Recycling Centre

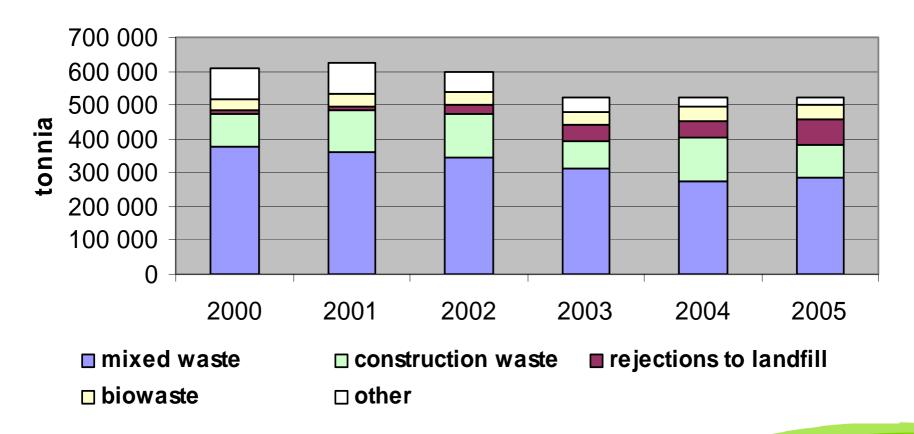


The Landfilling of Waste

- The reception of waste is completely controlled
- All incoming waste is weighed
- The quantities and qualities of waste are registered
- The load inspectors check the quality of waste to disclose any hazardous or usable waste
- The waste is crushed, compressed and covered daily with a landfill roller



Amounts of waste received in Ämmässuo (without soils and hazardous waste)





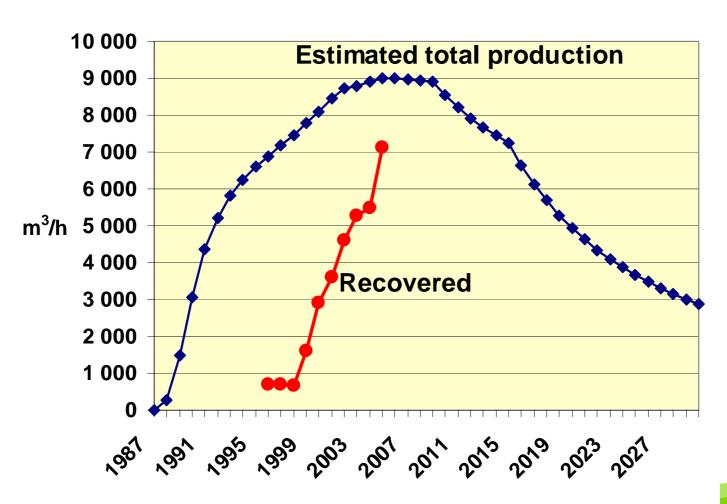




Closing and covering of the current landfill



Gas Production and Recovery





Landfill Gas for Heating

- The decay of the waste produces landfill gas
- It consists of methane, carbon dioxide, aqueous steam and small amounts of odour-causing sulphur compounds
- Landfill gas is collected with drainage and suction well systems
- From Ämmässuo it goes through the pipe to the electricity plant in Kivenlahti
- The power plant produces district heating from landfill gas equivalent to the heating requirement of about 10 000 detached houses



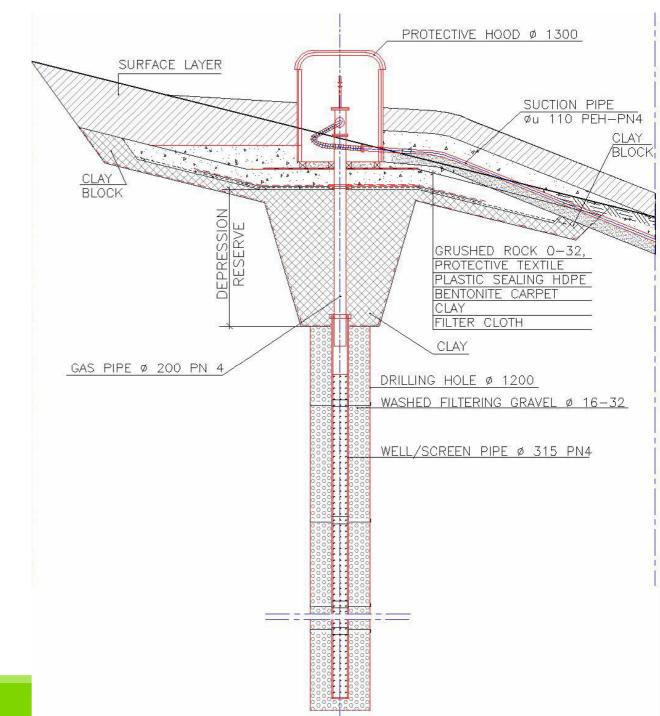
Landfillgas recovery

- Amount and quality
 - 7 000 m³/h, 46 Mm³/a
 - CH₄ concentration ca. 52 %
- Recovery
 - Old horizontal and vertical gas wells (80)
 - 170 new vertical wells
 - 4 pumping stations, 7 regulating stations
- Treatment
 - Currently flared at 1200 °C
 - From autumn 2004 energy utilisation by Espoo





Landfill Gas Collection Well



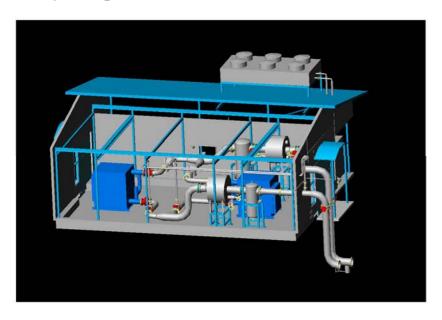
Drilling of a landfill gas well





Treatment of the Landfill Gas

- Utilisation
 - Since autumn 2004 as fuel for a district heating plant in Espoo
 - Drying and compressionfacility (2 °C, 1 bar)



- 11 km long pipeline

Not needed gas is burned in flares (1200 °C)



Pumping Station & Flares





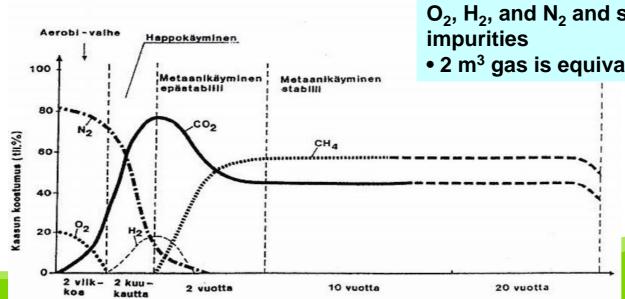
Collection of Landfill Gas

Aims:

- minimizing emissions of greenhouse gas
- minimizing odour problems
- preventing fires or explosions
- utilising methane

Landfill Gas, development and composition:

- Gas is produced when organic matter decomposes in anaerobic conditions.
- A tonne of waste produces 100-200 m³ gas.

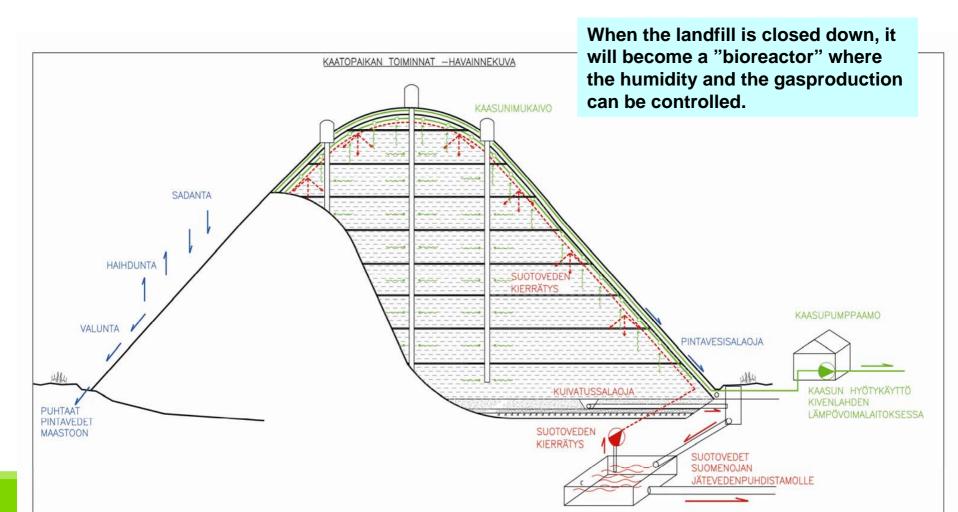


- The gas is mainly CH₄ and CO₂, some H₂O, O₂, H₂, and N₂ and small amounts of other
- 2 m³ gas is equivalent to n. 1 I fuel oil

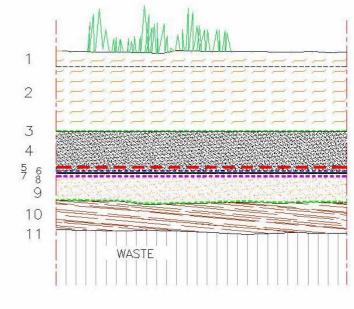


The Present Landfill

- •Gas collection system •Surface layers
- •Leachate control system •Roads for maintanance



Standard crosssection of the surface structure





PRECOVER

Water Management

- There is the drainage system under the landfill to lead the water to an equalizing basin before leading water to a municipal waste water treatment plant in Suomenoja
- Clean surface water is led to an open ditch, from where it flows to a nearby lake
- More than twenty water measurement points in the area, which are used for regular sampling



Environmental Measures of the YTV Waste Treatment Center

- Amounts of the disposed waste
- Water management system
 - measuring of the amounts and quality of the seepage
 - measuring the impacts to the surface and ground waters
 - including almost 50 measuring points
- Landfill gas collection and treatment
 - degree of recovery is now more than 75 % (2003: 46 million m³n, 50 % CH₄)
 - after closing and constructing the final cover -> 100 %
- Odours
 - investigations made yearly by inhabitants or experts



Construction of Final Disposal Area for Pre-treated Waste

- The new final disposal area is 70 ha, enough space for about 30 years
- Separate cells for different categories of waste
- Completion of surface sealing structure 2045
- Estimated investment costs ca. 110 M€



Constructing the New Disposal Area







Treatment and monitoring



