

PERMIT FOR LANDFILL IN HUNTING CREEK, VA.

MONDAY, JULY 8, 1968

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
NATURAL RESOURCES AND POWER SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10:03 a.m., in room 2203, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. Robert E. Jones (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Subcommittee members present: Representatives Jones, Moss, Vander Jagt, and Gude.

Subcommittee staff present: Phineas Indritz, chief counsel; and Laurence Davis, assistant counsel.

Other members of the Committee on Government Operations present: Representative Henry S. Reuss.

Mr. JONES. The committee will come to order.

The Natural Resources and Power Subcommittee today resumes its hearings, which began on June 24, concerning the circumstances in which the Corps of Engineers, on May 29, 1968, issued a permit to Howard P. Hoffman Associates, Inc., to fill in a portion of Hunting Creek, just south of Alexandria, Va.

We have received approximately 30 letters and statements for the record from various groups and individuals, all except one of which have expressed opposition to the permit. Without objection, all letters and statements which are received by the subcommittee and which are relevant to the subject of this hearing will be made a part of the record.

(The communications are in part II of the appendix.)

Mr. JONES. We have received requests from several private groups and persons for permission to testify orally before the subcommittee. Because of the very tight legislative schedule facing the Congress and the subcommittee at this time, the subcommittee will probably be unable to hear all persons who have expressed interest in the Hunting Creek area. If there is time, after completion of the testimony by those who officially participated in the consideration and issuance of the permit, we shall endeavor to hear others who desire to testify. However, if we are unable to hear their oral testimony, their views can be expressed to the subcommittee by filing written statements for the record which the subcommittee will consider.

We invited the permittee, Howard P. Hoffman Associates, Inc., and its representatives, by letters of June 12 and June 27, 1968, to present their views to the subcommittee concerning the issuance of the permit, either in writing or by oral testimony.