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Subject: Emergency Response Training Center on WDT's Sedivy Lane property.

To: Whom It May Concern

This note is to address some anticipated questions concerning the subject which is a joint project developed by the Rapid City Department of Fire and Emergency Services, WDT, and the several Western South Dakota Volunteer Fire Departments represented by the Pennington County Fire Service Board.

1. On the question concerning smoke emission from the burn building
  - a. Fires will always be completely contained within the building and use only clean class A material.
  - b. The little smoke that escapes the building will be both less than and cleaner than the smoke from a wood burning stove.
  - c. A video tape of a similar building using the same fuel is available to show the actual amount of smoke generated.
  - d. All adjacent neighbors have been contacted by me with this information and are supportive of the project.
2. Gravel in the Training area
  - a. The design committee made-up of the RCD FES Chief, Pennington County Fire Coordinator, Rapid Valley VFD Chief, and WDT Firefighter Lead Instructor, desire a mixture of surface areas to include, blacktop, concrete, and gravel for more realistic training opportunities.
  - b. Paving the entire training area would eliminate the gravel surface training opportunities.
3. Parking for visiting firefighters
  - a. Developed on-site parking greatly exceeds the current building needs as-is.
  - b. In nearly all cases, firefighters coming to the site to train will arrive in the vehicles with which they will train and, therefore need no parking.

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