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Cary Hiring Consultants To Fix Offensive Odors

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CARY - The town of Cary is having trouble sniffing out a smelly problem, so they're calling in some experts.

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The problem is emanating from Cary's South Wastewater Treatment Facility, and after two years, neighbors are getting tired of it.

"It's bad enough that we can't enjoy outside activities," said Bill Goldman. "Eating out in the screened porches or having kids play in the yards."

Goldman says he's been dealing with offensive odor since he moved in.

He and his neighbors knew there was a wastewater treatment plant next door, but it is not supposed to smell.

Cary crews have exhausted all of their ideas, so at a community meeting Monday night, they announced they'll hire a consultant to nose around.

"We're going to do an in-depth study using the tools and equipment and expertise that we don't have on our staff," said Steve Brown, Director of Public Works and Utilities.

Neighbors say they're encouraged that the town is actually trying, but they want it taken care of as quickly as possible; preferably before the sweltering -- and potentially stinky -- summer months.

"I feel confident that we're making headway," said Goldman. "The key here is to have a timeline as to when the action will take place."

Cary hopes to have the consultant picked out within a couple weeks.

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