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## Federal Judge Warns Guam On Failed Financing Plan

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A U.S. federal judge has warned that Guam has failed to develop an approved financing plan to close its current landfill and develop a new dump, the *Pacific Daily News* reports.

U.S. District Court of Guam Chief Judge Frances Tydingco-Gatewood said without a plan, she will assume that the territorial government will pay for the estimated \$180 million project out of its general fund.

The judge yesterday heard testimony from senior government officials, including Guam Gov. Felix Camacho, who said a plan was before the Legislature. But lawmakers haven't acted on the measure, which was required to be presented to the federal court on Dec. 1.

Jonathan Shefftz, an independent consultant working for the federal government, told the federal court that Guam might be able to pay a required \$20 million deposit on the project by January 5, 2009 from its general fund. But he was not sure the territorial government had the funds to pay the \$160 million remaining for the project.

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