

**SOLID WASTE
Advisory Board Meeting
April 9, 2025
9:00 A.M.**

AGENDA

Regulatory Updates

- Annual Tonnage Report submitted to MDE on 3/14/25.
- Annual Title V Compliance Certification report and the Annual Title V Emissions Certification report were both submitted to MDE on 4/1/25.

Central Site

- Cell 5: Based on current usage rates, Cell 5 is expected to reach its permitted height by December 2027. A request for an additional 8-foot lift which should get us to March 2028 was submitted to MDE on 11/5/24. We are awaiting formal approval.
- Cell 6 Preparation and Design – The stream crossing from the Cell 5 area to the Cell 6 area is 90% and should be finished this month. Once the crossing is in place we'll contract with a local company to get the timber cleared and the site prepped for future construction. MDE has indicated we will need to install new monitoring wells and collect data for a year prior to placing trash in Cell 6. The data collection can occur simultaneously with the construction, so we won't lose time. EA is preparing a proposal for the design of Cell 6 which will have to go before the Commissioners for approval.
- Langmaid borrow pit tree clearing, waiting on a start date from the contractor. Likely will be timed up with the removal of trees on Cell 6.
- The State mandated landfill gas collection system design was submitted to MDE on 12/11/24. MDE has not yet returned comments.
- The Cell 5 wetland mitigation adaptive management plan was submitted to MDE on 2/25/25, no comments have been returned.
- All but one of the new roll up doors in the mechanic shop have been installed. One door came in as the wrong size and we are waiting for the replacement.

Closed Landfills

- Berlin –All wells but one continue to show methane levels below permit limits. We are continuing monthly monitoring and reporting results to MDE. If after May 2025 results remain above limits, we'll need to install another monitoring probe to document the limits of the methane plume. If the levels drop below the limit, we'll request to transition to quarterly monitoring.

- Snow Hill – 7 of the 9 flares are working, the remaining 2 will need to be completely replaced (\$11,000).
- Snow Hill & Berlin, semi-annual landfill gas reports submitted to MDE 4/1/25. One monitoring well at Snow Hill still shows methane levels above permit limits however it has dropped since October, all others are now below permit limits. We'll continue to monitor as it appears the now working flares are doing their jobs.

Central Site Inactive Cells

- Due to the presence of PFAS, the leachate force main project is being recommended to be canceled. It was hoped that the contractor would finish the Cell 1 lift station work, however, they are unwilling to assign an appropriate credit to the leachate force main work. As such, the County is negotiating to cancel the contract entirely and rebid the project with just the lift station work.

Recycling

- Berlin site – We are continuing to have discussions with the Ocean Landings II developer to potentially secure a permanent site for the existing bins.

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- Berlin site rehab – EA is working on the 90% submittal

Comments from the Board...