

**Solid Waste Advisory Board Meeting  
Agenda for April 30, 2026; 9:00 A.M.**

Regulatory Updates

- Quarterly landfill gas monitoring for the Central Landfill Facility was completed in February. Five landfill gas monitoring probes had methane exceedances but the associated replacement probes (located away from the landfill but on County property) had no detection of methane. MDE continues to be ok with the replacement probe readings.
- Quarterly landfill gas monitoring for the Snow Hill, Pocomoke, and Berlin closed landfills was completed on 2/19/26 and monthly monitoring at Berlin on 4/8/26. Pocomoke showed no methane concentration exceedances. Berlin continued to show methane exceedances in two landfill gas probes but the recently installed temporary landfill gas probes associated with each of these probes showed no methane detections. Snow Hill showed methane exceedances but at landfill gas probes not adjacent to the property line and not of concern to MDE.
- The semi-annual landfill gas monitoring report for the Central Landfill and Pocomoke Closed Landfill was submitted to MDE on 12/31/25.
- The groundwater sampling was completed for the Central Landfill Facility was completed during the week of 3/9/26. The semi-annual groundwater monitoring report will be submitted on 6/30/25.
- The groundwater sampling was completed for the Pocomoke, Snow Hill, and Berlin closed landfill was completed during the week of 3/16/26. The semi-annual groundwater monitoring report will be submitted on 6/30/25.

Central Site

- Cell 6 Preparation and Design –Timber clearing is on pause while the ground dries out. MDE has approved monitoring well locations. Surveyor has staked out locations of property lines and monitoring wells. Well driller scheduled to be onsite in May pending JPA permit approval (needed for wetland disturbance).
- Annual tonnage survey was completed in December 2025. Report submitted to MDE 2/27/26. Based on survey data, Cell 5 life expectancy has been extended to August 2028 – January 2029.
- Notice of Interest letter submitted for BRIC grant to fund generator at Solid Waste Administration Building / scales.
- Brush grinder at Ocean Pines Public Works to assist with storm clean up from February 2026 blizzard.

### Central Site Inactive Cells

- Cell 1 Pump Station Upgrades – Currently out for bids. Proposals are due 4/30/26.

### Recycling

- Concrete pad at Whaleyville complete. Getting quotes for lighting and fencing.
- Cameras are up and active at Bishopville, several people have been caught dumping and have been referred to the Sheriff's Office for enforcement fines. Signs are being fabricated for the location
- Cameras are pending at Berlin Walmart (solar), Whaleyville (waiting on electric service), and Ocean Pines
- On 4/27/26, the County was awarded \$100,000 grant from the State to design an expansion to Recycling Building with the goal of adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> processing line.

### HOCC

- Berlin site rehab – Six bids were received on 4/15/26, proposals are currently being evaluated.

### FY 27 Budget

- No rate increases are proposed, previously considered \$5 increase. Will conduct rate study in FY 27 to determine if any changes are needed.

Note: All FY 26 capital equipment purchases have been completed.

### Comments from the Board...