

BEFORE THE
STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING
ON THE PROPOSED SEVEN MILE CREEK LANDFILL – SECTOR 2 NORTHEAST
EXPANSION

Advanced Disposal Services (ADS) has filed with the Department of Natural Resources (the department), pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 289.24, a complete feasibility report concerning a parcel of land proposed to be used as a site for land disposal of solid waste, located in the SE ¼ of Section 8, and the SW ¼ of Section 9, Township 27N, Range 8W, in the City of Eau Claire and Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin, on land presently owned by ADS. The address for the expansion is 8001 Olson Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 289.26, the Department of Natural Resources will hold a public informational hearing for purpose of receiving public comments regarding the feasibility report for the proposed landfill expansion.

The hearing will be held on Monday, April 20th, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be conducted using ZOOM Remote Conferencing Platform accessible by phone or computer.

To register to obtain a computer link go to the following web page:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/vJ0ud-iurDssJo8tfwqup8MuhCUEVawc2Q>

To call into the hearing, use either of the following phone numbers:

1-253-215-8782 or 1-301-715-8592

When prompted on the phone, enter the following ID#: “193 016 206 #”

Due to the public health emergency declared by Governor Evers’ Executive Order #75 and Emergency “Safer at Home” Order #12, the department will hold this informational hearing using a remote conferencing platform.

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed project are invited to do so by attending the online public hearing or by submitting any comments in writing to Aaron Kent, Department of Natural Resources, 1300 W. Clairemont Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54701, or by e-mail to aaron.kent@wisconsin.gov, by April 24, 2020, 4:30 p.m. The department office is not open at this time, therefore comments must be mailed or emailed. All written comments received by the department postmarked on or before April 24, 2020, will be given the same weight and effect as oral testimony presented at the hearing.

The Hearing Examiner will conduct the hearing in accordance with s. NR 2.135, Wis. Adm. Code, and will use procedures to ensure that all interested persons or their representative have an opportunity to present facts, views or arguments relative to the proposal. The Hearing Examiner may put time limits on individual oral statements to ensure an opportunity for all persons present to make statements in a reasonable period of time and to prevent undue repetition.

The feasibility report proposes a 12.5-acre horizontal expansion and a 22.0-acre vertical expansion of the existing landfill that would result in an increase in disposal capacity of approximately 4,130,000 cubic yards and add an estimated 7 years of site life. The approved maximum height of the landfill would increase by approximately 64 feet from the currently approved maximum height, to a peak elevation of 1165.5 feet above mean sea level.

The purpose of the feasibility report and review of the report is to determine whether the proposed site is feasible for use as a municipal solid waste disposal facility and if the

department's decision is favorable, establish any conditions or requirements for the plan of operation.

The landfill would continue to primarily accept municipal solid waste, construction and demolition debris, and approved non-hazardous special waste. ADS has proposed two options for the landfill base liner within the horizontal expansion. The first option consists of a 4-foot compacted clay layer overlain with a 60-mil HDPE geomembrane, which is consistent with Wisconsin Administrative Code. The second option would be considered an alternative design and consists of a 2-foot compacted clay layer, overlain with a geosynthetic clay liner (GCL), and a 60-mil high-density polyethylene (HDPE) geomembrane. The landfill will also have a final cover system and has proposed two options. The first final cover option consists of compacted clay soil, a geomembrane, a rooting zone and vegetated topsoil layers. The second final cover option would replace the compacted clay layer with a soil barrier layer and a GCL. The design will include leachate collection, active gas collection and storm water control systems. The site will continue to have an environmental monitoring program to measure groundwater quality and elevation, surface water quality, leachate quality and volume and to detect migrating landfill gas.

Copies of the complete feasibility report and the department's project summary containing an environmental analysis are available for public review on the department's internet website at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Waste/Comment.html>, or at the following locations: (please note that these physical locations may be closed at this time)

County Clerk
Eau Claire County
721 Oxford Ave
Room 3350
Eau Claire, WI 54703

City Clerk
City of Eau Claire
203 S. Farwell Street
Eau Claire, WI54701

Town Clerk
Town of Seymour
6500 Tower Drive
Eau Claire, WI 54703

L.E. Phillips Memorial Library
City of Eau Claire
400 Eau Claire Street
Eau Claire, WI 54701

ADS Seven Mile Creek Landfill
Attn: Mark Vinall
8001 Olson Drive
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Department of Natural Resources
Eau Claire Service Center
1300 W. Clairemont Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54701
*Please call 715-839-3796 to make an appointment

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals, with disabilities upon request. Please call Aaron Kent (715) 839-3796 with specified information on your request at least 5 days before the date of the scheduled hearing.

Dated at Eau Claire, Wisconsin on April 7, 2020.

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Morris".

John Morris, Professional Soil Scientist
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