## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION





## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

## Waste Management Disposal Services of Maine - Crossroads Landfill **Landfill Expansion** Norridgewock, Maine (Somerset County)

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (Department) hereby gives notice that it will hold a public hearing on an application submitted by Waste Management Disposal Services of Maine. The license application, #S-010735-WD-YB-N, is for a proposed solid waste landfill expansion (Phase 14 expansion) at the Crossroads Landfill located in Norridgewock, Maine

The Department will conduct the public hearing in accordance with the provisions of the *Maine* Administrative Procedure Act, 5 M.R.S. §§ 9051-9064 and Department rules, including Rules Governing the Conduct of Licensing Hearings, 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 3.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony from the parties and the general public on whether the proposed project meets the relevant statutory and regulatory licensing requirements. The statutory and regulatory criteria associated with the Department's review of this license application is found pursuant to Maine's Solid Waste Management Rules (06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400 effective April 6, 2015, ch. 401 effective April 12, 2015 and ch. 405 effective January 7, 2014).

Testimony at the hearing is limited specifically to the criteria described in this notice below:

- 1. Ground Water Aquifer Protection
  - 38 M.R.S. § 1310-N (2-A). Solid waste facility licenses, Aquifer Protection
  - 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, § 4(K). General Licensing Criteria, No Unreasonable Risk That a Discharge to a Significant Ground Water Aquifer Will Occur
- 2. Visibility of the Landfill
  - 38 M.R.S. § 1310-N (2-F). Solid waste facility licenses, Siting Standards
  - 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, § 4(E). General Licensing Criteria, Fitting the Solid Waste Facility Harmoniously into the Natural Environment
  - 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, § 4(F). General Licensing Criteria, No Unreasonable Adverse Effect on Existing Uses and Scenic Character
- 3. Noise
  - 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, § 4(F). General Licensing Criteria, No Unreasonable Adverse Effect on Existing Uses and Scenic Character
- 4. Odors

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- 06-096 C.M.R. 400, § 4(G). General Licensing Criteria, No Unreasonable Adverse Effect on Air Quality
- 5. Solid Waste Management Hierarchy
  - 38 M.R.S. § 2101. Solid Waste Management Hierarchy
  - 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, § 4(N). General Licensing Criteria, Solid Waste Management Hierarchy

## 6. Recycling

- 38 M.R.S. § 1310-N(5-A). Recycling and source reduction determination
- 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, § 6. Recycling

The hearing will be held virtually on October 1, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. using Zoom as a meeting platform. The hearing is open to the public. The daytime portion of the hearing will be devoted to receiving testimony from the parties (applicant and intervenors) in accordance with procedural orders issued by the Department.

The evening portion of the hearing, beginning at 6:00 p.m., will be devoted to receiving testimony from members of the general public. As with all testimony, public testimony is given under oath and is subject to cross-examination by the parties, and questions from the Presiding Officer, Department staff, and Counsel for the Department. Individuals who are affiliated with, but not an officer of, a party in this matter may testify at the evening session of the hearing in their personal capacity but not as part of the presentation of a party.

Because the hearing will be held virtually using Zoom, any member of the public who wishes to testify must be sworn in by the Presiding Officer using the Zoom video function. The Presiding Officer must see the person who is providing the testimony to know that the person offering the testimony is the same person who has been sworn in. To accommodate those persons who wish to testify but do not have the capability to join a meeting using Zoom, the Town of Norridgewock has offered to set up a room in the Town Office where members of the public can testify using Zoom video capability. Members of the public who wish to testify at the Town Office must make an appointment with Richard LaBelle in advance by phone at 207-634-2252 or by e-mail townmanager@townofnorridgewock.com.

Written comments to the Department may be submitted to Linda Butler, Project Manager at the Maine Department of Environmental Protection either by e-mail at Linda.J.Butler@maine.gov, or by regular mail at 17 State House Station, Augusta Maine, 04333-0017. The Department will accept written comments from the public during the application review period from now through the close of the record anticipated to be at 5:00 p.m. on October 13, 2020.

The licensing file associated with the proposed project is available for public review. The application can be viewed electronically on the Department's website at <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dep/waste/crossroadslandfill/">http://www.maine.gov/dep/waste/crossroadslandfill/</a>, at the Norridgewock Town Office, and at the Department's Augusta Office file room by appointment (207-287-7843). Information about

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access to the hearing will also be provided at the Department's website above and questions regarding the hearing or requests to examine the licensing file may also be directed to Linda Butler, Project Manager, at (207) 287-7885.