## Juniper Ridge Landfill Project Overview Meetings

#### Meeting #1

Project History, Overview, and Permitting Requirements November 7, 2024





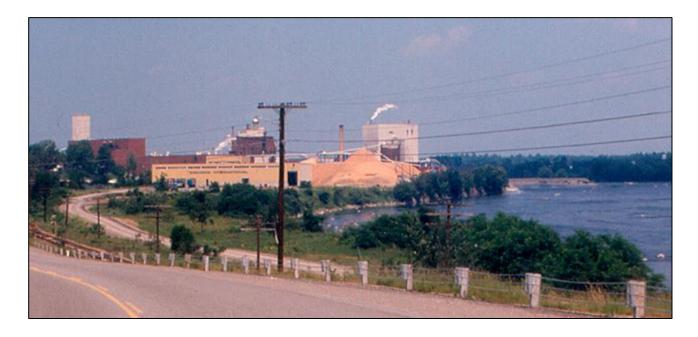
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# **Project History**

## Landfill History

Initial Site Search conducted for the James River Paper Company in Old Town in 1988



- Juniper Ridge was the best of the 58 sites that were reviewed
- Cells 1-10 were permitted for the mill in 1993
  - 68 acres
  - 3.3 MCY

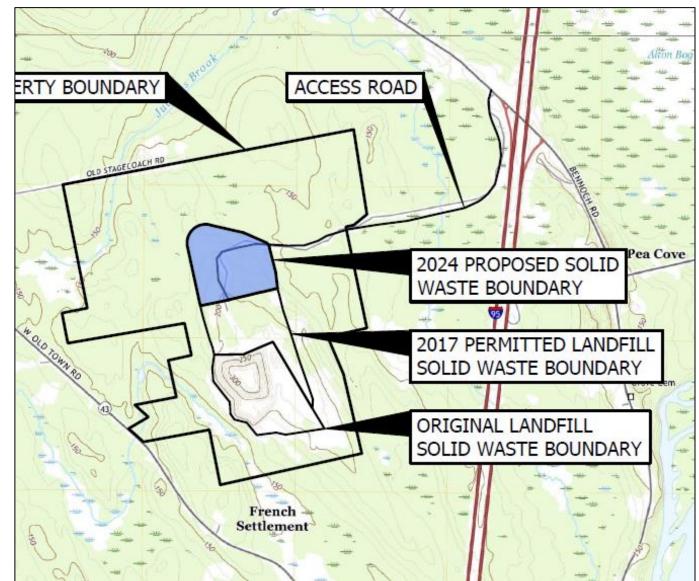
Purchased by the State of Maine in 2004 – currently managed for the State by the Bureau of General Services



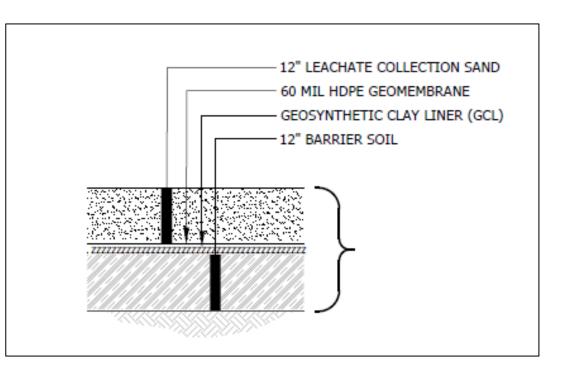
- Operated by NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC (a subsidiary of Casella Waste Systems)
- Began permitting the first expansion in 2006
- Applied for 21.9 MCY, the MEDEP approved 9.35 MCY in a Public Benefit Determination in 2012
- Design application for Cells 11-17 approved in 2017
  - 54 acres
  - 9.35 MCY

Currently applying for the Phase II Expansion:

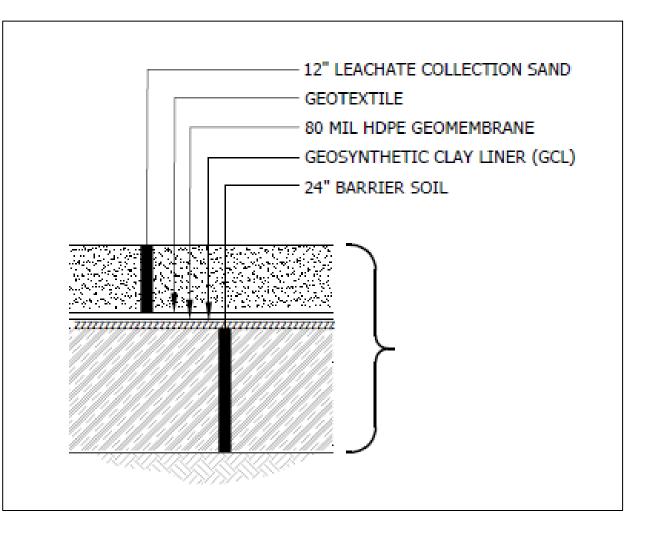
- Remainder of the initially requested 21.9 MCY
- Proposing an additional 59 acres of landfill
- Cells 18 22
- 11.9 MCY total in Phase
- 181 acres total landfill



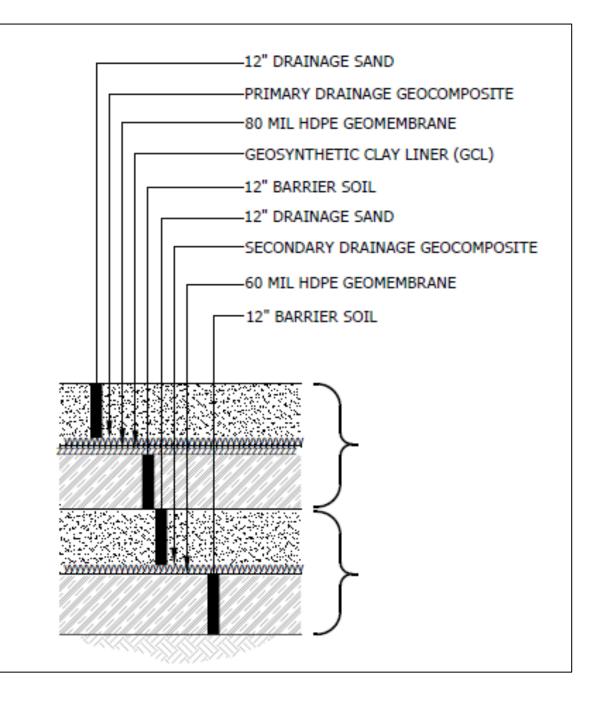
Liner System Required by the Solid Waste Management Rules



Initial Landfill Liner System (Papermill landfill)



## Expansion's 4-foot thick Dual- Liner System



## Total Remaining Permitted Capacity at Juniper Ridge Landfill

Year	Cubic Yards
2021	7,294,907
2022	6,332,172
2023	5,356,397
2024*	4,306,676
2025*	3,256,956
2026*	2,207,235
2027*	1,157,514
2028*	107,793

\* 2024 to 2028 based on estimated future disposal volumes

# **Project Overview**

#### <u>So far -</u>

• Preliminary Information Report was submitted and approved

• Public Benefit Determination was submitted, public meeting was held, received approval

 Currently preparing the Phase II Expansion application and holding Project Overview Meetings

#### Next -

- Pre-submission meeting with the MEDEP
- Public Information Meeting
- Submit application
- Public can provide comments, &/or request a public meeting, &/or request a public hearing
- Receive MEDEP comments
- Applicant's response to comments
- MEDEP Decision

#### What remains the same?

- Site access road
- Landfill scales
- Office and maintenance buildings
- Five of the six stormwater detention ponds
- Existing leachate storage tank
- Landfill gas treatment plant
- Renewable Natural Gas plant
- Existing landfill, leachate transport lines, most of the power lines

#### What are we adding?

- Five new cells each good for about 2 years
- 4500 feet of perimeter roadway around the landfill
- Moving 1 stormwater detention pond
- Adding 3 additional stormwater detention ponds
- 1 additional leachate storage tank
- Additional leachate transport lines
- Additional power lines, both aboveground and underground
- Additional monitoring wells
- PFAS treatment plant (!!!!)





# Permitting Requirements

#### What is in the application?

- Volume I Responses to requirements in Chapters 400 and 401 of the Solid Waste Management Rules
- Volume II Site Assessment Report Geology and Hydrogeology
- **Volume III** Design Report including calculations, plans, and specifications
- Volume IV Operations Manual
- Volume V Natural Resource Protection Act wetlands impacts



# Volume I – Responses to requirements in Chapters 400 and 401 of the Solid Waste Management Rules

- Back up information
  - Deed, list of abutters
  - Financial ability, liability insurance
  - Civil and criminal disclosure
- Permits
  - Air quality permit

- Agreements
  - Leachate disposal contracts
  - Host Community Benefit Agreement
- Plans
  - Stormwater Pollution
    Prevention Plan
  - Stormwater Management Plan
  - Erosion Control Plan

#### Volume I (continued)

Agency consultations:

- Federal Aviation Administration
- US Fish and Wildlife (threatened and endangered species)
- Maine Department of Inland Fish and Wildlife (habitat)
- Bureau of Land Resources (mapped significant vernal pools)
- Maine Natural Areas Program (rare and exemplary botanical features)
- Maine Historic Preservation Commission (archeology)
- Maine mapped Natural Resources
- Significant Rivers
- Lakes and streams most at risk of development

### Volume I (continued)

#### Consultant Assessments:

- Traffic assessment Gorrill Palmer
- Visual impact assessment -Viewshed
- Sound level assessment Epsilon
- Rare, threatened, and endangered species BRI
- Seagulls Stantec
- Bat assessment Stantec
- Wetlands delineation BRI
- Wetlands functions and values BRI
- Aerial Photos Aerial Photo and Survey



# Volume II – Site Assessment Report – Geology and Hydrogeology

- Began investigating site in 1989
- Installation of over:
  - 100 borings,
  - 150 test pits,
  - seismic refraction surveys (approximately 34,000 lineal feet of transects);
- Photolineament mapping;
- Bedrock outcrop mapping; and
- In situ hydraulic conductivity testing.



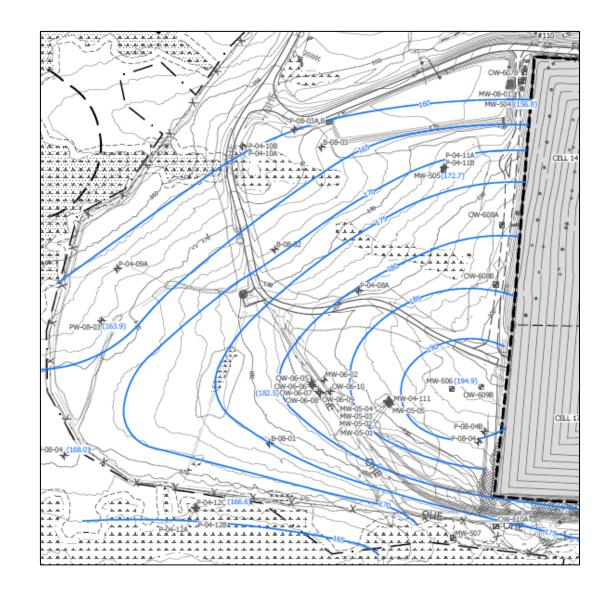
#### Volume II – Site Assessment Report – (continued)

- Groundwater measurements (wetand dry-season),
- Groundwater age-dating,
- Groundwater tracer test analysis,
- Numerous bedrock pumping tests, and
- Water quality sampling and analysis.

Parameter	LOQ	Method
Alkalinity	1.5	SM2320B
Ammonia	0.5	SM4500NH3B/SM4500NH3C
TDS	10	SM2540C
TSS	8.3	SM2540D
Arsenic, total	0.005	SW3010A/SW6010C
Boron, total	0.05	SW3010A/SW6010C
Calcium, total	0.3	SW3010A/SW6010C
Copper, total	0.003	SW3010A/SW6010C
Iron, total	0.05	SW3010A/SW6010C
Magnesium, total	0.3	SW3010A/SW6010C
Manganese, total	0.05	SW3010A/SW6010C
Potassium, total	0.3	SW3010A/SW6010C
Sodium, total	0.3	SW3010A/SW6010C
Bromide	0.1	SW9056A
Chloride	1	SW9056A
Sulfate	2	SW9056A
TOC	1	SW9060A

#### Volume II – Site Assessment Report – (continued)

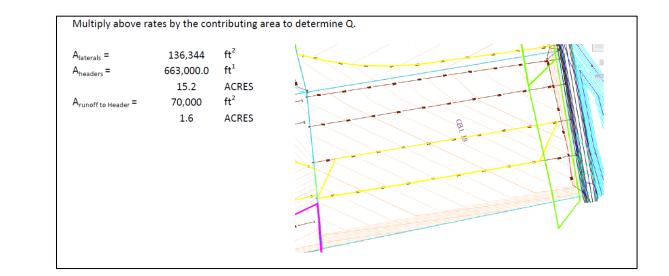
- Prepared bedrock map,
- Prepared wet and dry season groundwater maps for soils and bedrock,
- Conducted time of travel analysis to nearest sensitive receptors, and
- Conducted contaminant transport analysis.



## Volume III – Engineering Design Report

#### Landfill calculations:

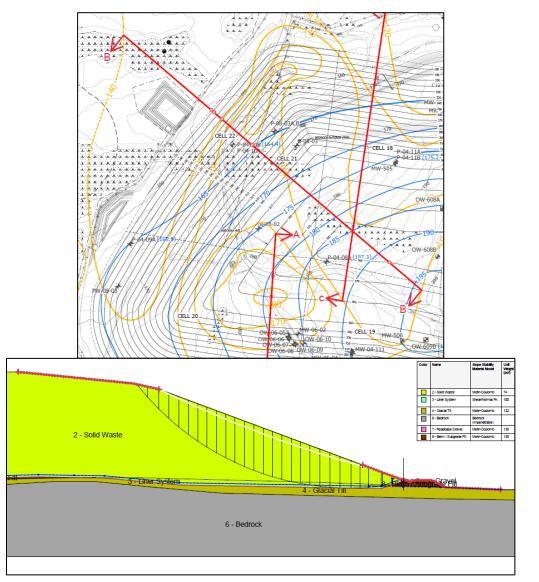
- Pipe size and spacing (LC, LD, UD)
- Pipe strength
- Leachate flow during a large storm
- Leachate tank size
- Soil filter and pipe perforation design
- Drainage net flow
- Force main capacity
- Flow through the waste



#### Volume III – Engineering Design Report (cont.)

#### **Geotechnical Calculations:**

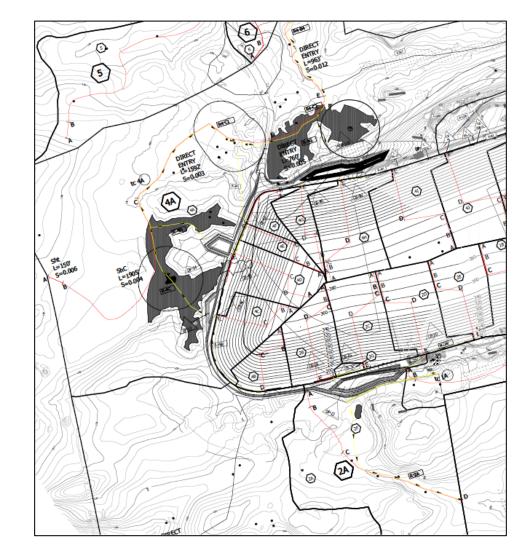
- Stability
- Settlement
- Seismic effects
- Liquefaction
- Deformation
- Cap stability
- Cap settlement
- Cap interface friction
- Leachate tank foundation



#### Volume III – Engineering Design Report (cont.)

#### Stormwater calculations:

- Pre-existing condition
- Post-development condition
- Stormwater detention pond sizing
- Culvert size
- Catch basin size
- Rip rap size
- Level spreader size



#### **Volume IV – Operations Manual**



#### **Updates:**

- Cell development figures
- Environmental Monitoring Plan

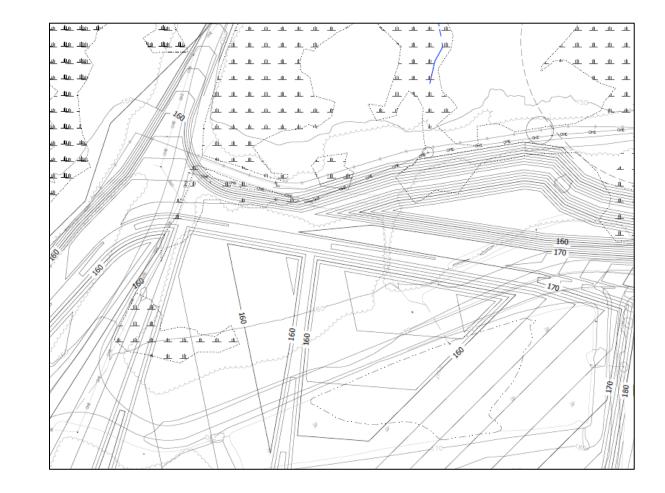


#### Volume V – Natural Resource Protection Act (NRPA)

- Requires minimizing wetland impacts to the extent practicable
- Report describes wetlands impacts
- Considers alternative development options
- Calculate in lieu fee for wetlands mitigation

#### **Plan set**

- Base grade of cells
- Extend the access road
- 4 stormwater detention ponds
- Underdrain piping
- Leak detection piping
- Leachate collection piping
- Pump stations
- Force mains with vaults
- Culverts and catch basins
- Closure cap with access road, downspouts, and terraces



### Plan set (cont.)

- Electrical utilities
- Communication lines
- Additional leachate tank
- Additional monitoring wells
- Landfill gas management Sanborn Head
  - Gas wells
  - Piping on landfill
  - Gas transmission pipes



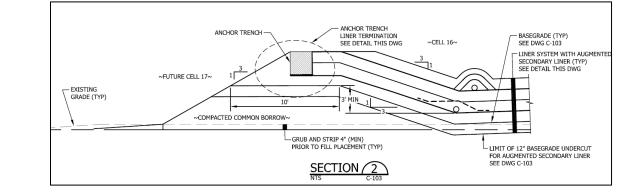
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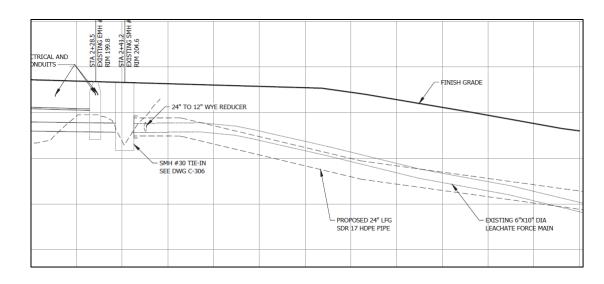
- Sections
- Profiles
  - Every 100' in both directions
  - Force main

#### Details

- Liner system
- Liner tie-ins
- Catch basins and vaults
- Pipe perforations
- Etc.
- Etc.





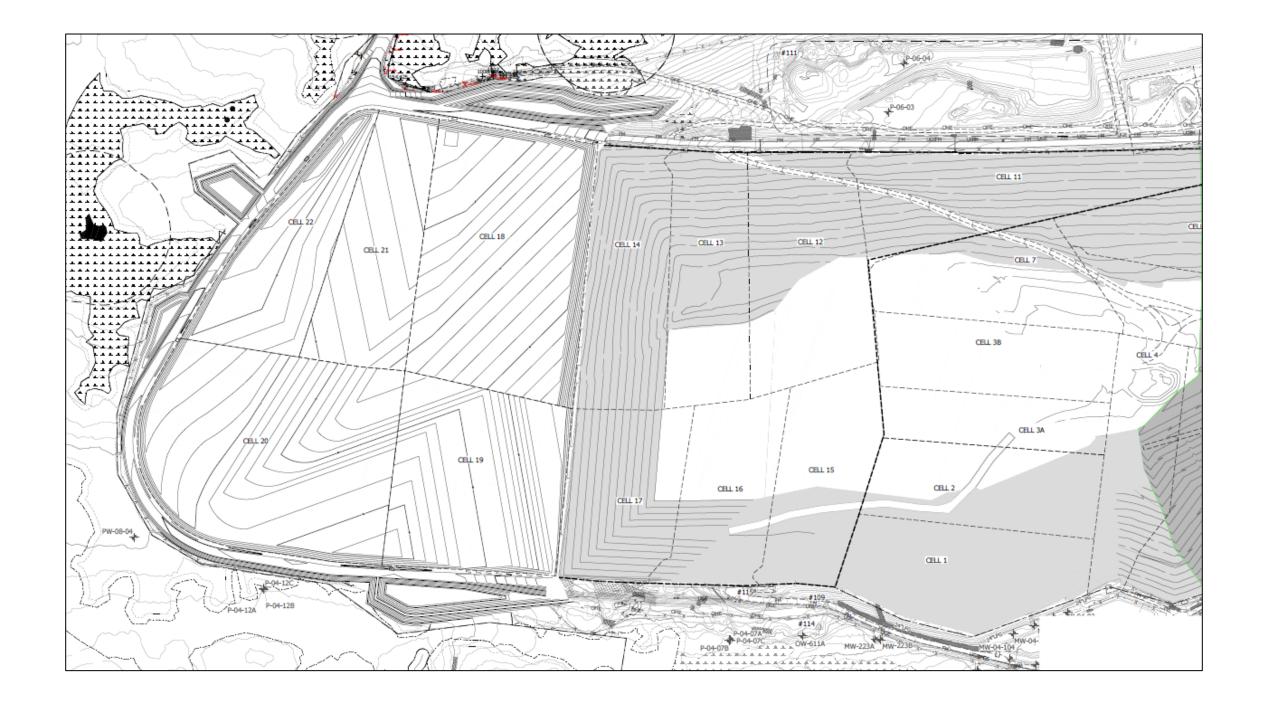


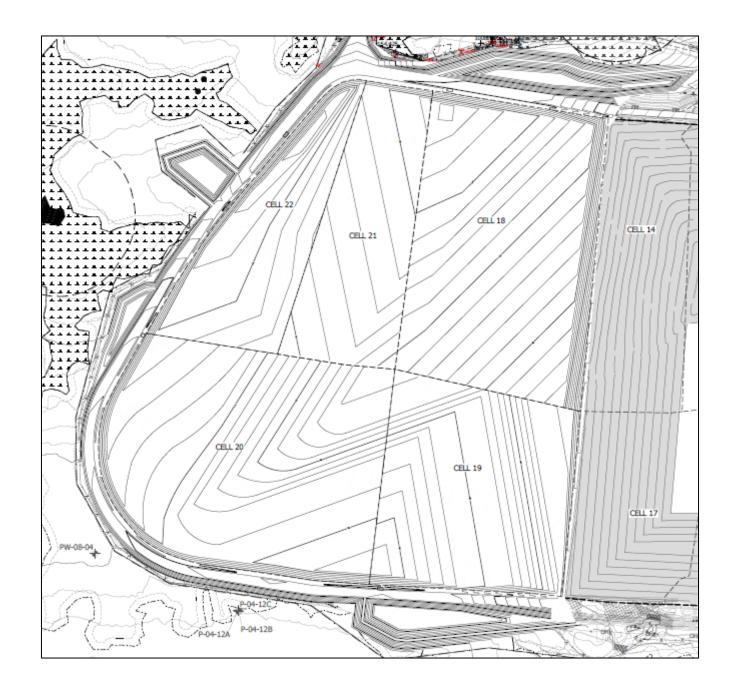
#### **PFAS Treatment Plant (!!!!)**

Casella is leading this with the treatment plant company. The plan for treatment is in the early stages. Infrastructure will include:

- Treatment plant
- Additional storage tanks
- Piping
- Loadout structures









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