



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Walnut Creek Landfill Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Permit Application

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Description:

- Frankfort Environmental Development Company, Inc., applied for a permit to build a new landfill at State Route 39 and County Road 300, Frankfort, Clinton County, Indiana - directly across the road from the existing Clinton County Landfill.
- Currently, the Clinton County Landfill is the only landfill for municipal solid waste in the Wildcat Creek Solid Waste Management District (SWMD). Due to a significant increase in its waste intake, the Clinton County Landfill is approaching its final capacity. The Walnut Creek Landfill is proposed to service Boone, Carroll, Clinton, Hamilton, Howard, Marion, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, and Tipton counties, once the Clinton County Landfill closes.
- The Walnut Creek Landfill design covers 192 acres and would have an expected service life of approximately 20 years.
- This fact sheet contains information about the proposed new landfill, the process for issuing the permit, and opportunities for public participation.

Environmental Impacts:

- The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) is responsible for protecting human health and the environment while providing for safe industrial, agricultural, commercial, and governmental operations vital to a prosperous economy.
- Properly designed and operated landfills provide a safe place to dispose of waste and protect Hoosiers and our environment by preventing the accidental release of harmful pollutants to air, land, and water.
- Municipal solid waste landfill owners and operators must obtain a permit and construct and operate the landfill according to Indiana's rules for Solid Waste Land Disposal Facilities. These rules are found in the Indiana Administrative Code under 329 IAC 10. The rules require a wide range of engineered systems to protect the environment including: foundation support, composite liner system, leachate collection system, compacted final cover system, and storm water controls.
- IDEM's Office of Land Quality is responsible for reviewing landfill permit applications. Chemists, geologists, and engineers evaluate the landfill design drawings and operating plans to be sure they meet or exceed the rule requirements before granting a permit.

The Permitting Process:

- By statute, IDEM has 365 days to approve or deny an application for a landfill permit. If IDEM requests additional information, the review clock stops until the applicant submits the information.
- IDEM received Frankfort Environmental Development Company's application on May 27, 2011, and began reviewing it for completeness. On October 31, 2011, IDEM issued a letter deeming the application complete and began an in-depth technical review of the application.
- The permitting process includes the opportunity for the public to review the application and submit comments. IDEM carefully reviews public comments before making a final decision.

- Written comments about the permit application may be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to IDEM by December 30, 2011.

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- When IDEM makes a final decision about the permit application, a Notice of Decision will be mailed to landowners within one mile of the facility and individuals who submitted comments or requested notification.

More Information:

- A copy of the permit application, which contains a total of 13 documents, is available online through the IDEM Virtual File Cabinet at <http://12.186.81.89/Pages/Member/Search.aspx> (which is VFC's "Document Search" page). From that page, select "SW Program ID" from the ***Index*** dropdown menu, and type the facility permit number, **12-03**, in the ***Value*** field. Click the ***Search*** button, which will produce one or more links to the documents for this facility. Then click twice on the column header ***Document Date*** to ***sort*** the documents so that the ***most recent*** appear first. OLQ permit documents are indicated as such in the Document Type column. To review the application documents, click ***view*** next to the documents listed on or after date of April 8, 2011, (the date of the first application document). Due to the large size of many of the drawings, plans, and narratives, VFC documents are best viewed with a high-speed internet connection.
- A copy of the application is also available at the Frankfort Community Public Library located at 208 West Clinton Street, Frankfort, Indiana 46041.
- The public may direct questions to Alicia Brown, IDEM permit manager, toll free at (800) 451-6027, ext. 2-8734; directly at «PMPHONE»(317) 232-8734; or by e-mail at albrown@idem.IN.gov.
- News media may direct inquiries to Barry Sneed, IDEM public information officer, toll free at (800) 451-6027, ext. 2-8596; directly at (317) 232-8596; or by e-mail at bsneed@idem.IN.gov.
- For information about activities managed through IDEM Solid Waste Permits Section, visit the IDEM website at www.in.gov/idem/4222.htm.