

**Solid Waste Advisory Board Meeting
Agenda for July 23, 2026; 9:00 A.M.**

Regulatory Updates

- Quarterly landfill gas monitoring for the Central Landfill Facility was completed in May. Two 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 5/5/26 and monthly monitoring at Berlin on 7/14/26. Pocomoke showed no methane concentration exceedances. Berlin continued to show methane exceedances in one landfill gas probe 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 Berlin Closed Landfill and Snow Hill Closed Landfill was submitted to MDE on 3/31/25.
- The semi-annual landfill gas monitoring report for the Central Landfill and Pocomoke Closed Landfill was submitted to MDE on 6/30/25.
- The groundwater sampling for the Central Landfill Facility was completed during the week of 3/9/26. The semi-annual groundwater monitoring report was submitted to MDE on 6/30/25.
- The groundwater sampling for the Pocomoke, Snow Hill, and Berlin closed landfill was completed during the week of 3/16/26. The semi-annual groundwater monitoring reports were submitted on 6/30/25.

Central Site

- Cell 6 Preparation and Design –Timber clearing was completed and mulching operations ending in mid-July. MDE has approved monitoring well locations and JPA for wetland impacts. Surveyor has staked out locations of property lines and monitoring wells. Well driller scheduled to be onsite starting July 27th to start the geotechnical borings. Well installs anticipated to start within 3 weeks.
- The County and EA continue to work with the Maryland Department of Emergency Management (MDEM) for the BRIC grant application to fund generator at Solid Waste Administration Building / scales. MDEM has returned questions and comments which are being addressed.

- Draft 10-Year Solid Waste Management Plan was prepared and submitted to MDE for review.
- County was notified by MDE to provide a Renewal Application for Title V, Part 70 State Permit by October 1, 2026. Current permit expires September 2027.

Central Site Inactive Cells

- Cell 1 Pump Station Upgrades – Awarded to TK Construction; TK is working on obtaining the necessary bonds and insurance information. A notice to proceed will be issued once all documentation has been submitted.

Recycling

- Fencing and lighting at Whaleyville is complete. Public Works is extending fiber optic cable to serve the cameras at the site.
- Solar powered cameras have been installed at Berlin Walmart. Public Works is working with the camera contractor to address issues of limited nighttime visibility. Additional cameras may be needed to eliminate blind spots.
- 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 2nd processing line. County is working through grant requirements to obtain funding.

HOCC

- Berlin site rehab – AJT Homes, LLC was awarded the construction contract. Pre-Construction meetings have been held and shop drawing submittals started. AJT expected to start work within 3 weeks.

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