

Memo

To: Berlin City Council
From: Jim Wheeler, City Manager
Date: 10/4/2021
Re: City Manager's Report

1. Christin Bernier, Asst. Vice President at North East Credit Union has accepted the position of City Treasurer. Gerry Dumoulin has been the City Treasurer for 16 years. Gerry has been gracious in staying on in the position until we could find the right candidate. Congratulations to Gerry in achieving a full retirement and to Christin for fulfilling this critical role for her community.
2. [Attached is a Notice of Public Hearing – Permit Application for a Solid Waste Landfill Expansion \(Mt. Carberry Secure Landfill – Bean Brook Road, Success, NH\)](#)
3. [Attached is the 9/22/21 field report from HEB for the Mason St. Bridge project. The amount of concrete work required under the bridge as well as at the bridge joints on the top of the bridge has turned out to be what was expected during the design phase. The project is on schedule.](#)
4. Contracts for the Fire Dept. boiler replacement and Fire Dept. roof replacement have been executed. Contractors are currently working on material submittals and acquisition.
5. Tomorrow morning, I am meeting with Courtney Jordan, Field Representative from the NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management along with the Public Works Administrative Clerk. We will be reviewing past and current applications with the NHSEM.
6. On Thursday of this week I will be in Concord for a meeting of the Assessing Standards Board.
7. The next meeting of the Berlin Hazard Mitigation Teams is scheduled for October 21st at 10:00 AM.
8. The last Master Plan Committee meeting was held at City Hall on September 28, 2021 at 6:00PM. The Master Planning work is progressing on schedule.



Androscoggin Valley

Regional Refuse Disposal District

September 27, 2021

City Of Berlin
168 Main Street
Berlin, NH 03570

Map 133 Lot# 78

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

**RE: Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District,
Mount Carberry Secure Landfill (DES-SW-88-029)
NHDES Waste Management Division, Permitting & Design Review Section
Type I-A Permit Modification Application – Phase IIIA Landfill Expansion
Notice to Abutters for Public Hearing**

Dear City Of Berlin,

The Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District (AVRRDD or the District) is in the application process for a New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Solid Waste Type I-A permit modification that would provide for additional landfill capacity in a horizontal and vertical expansion of the Mount Carberry Secure Landfill. The permit application, titled the Phase IIIA Landfill Expansion, was originally dated and submitted to NHDES on April 1, 2020, and determined complete by NHDES on July 16, 2021. Pursuant to Env-SW 304.08, a public hearing is required as part of the application process and the applicant is required to provide a copy of the public hearing notice to all abutters by certified mail.

Our records indicate you own land abutting the landfill site. This letter serves as notice of a public hearing to abutters. The enclosed NHDES Notice of Public Hearing includes the scheduled date, time, and location of the Phase IIIA Landfill Expansion public hearing. For additional information, please contact Jaime Colby, P.E., Waste Management Division, NHDES, at (603) 271-5185 or me at (603) 752-3342. Additionally, any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment due to sensory impairment or other disability should contact Jaime Colby, P.E., at the phone number above.

Sincerely,

Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District

Sharon Gauthier
Sharon Gauthier
Executive Director

Enclosure: NHDES Notice of Public Hearing
cc w/o enc: Jaime Colby, P.E., NHDES
Paul Schmidt, P.E. CMA Engineers

PO Box 336, 3 Twelfth Street
Berlin, NH 03570
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

RSA 149-M:9, RSA 149-M:11, Env-Sw 304.08

PERMIT APPLICATION FOR A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL EXPANSION

Mt. Carberry Secure Landfill – Bean Brook Road, Success, NH

Permit No. DES-SW-88-029

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) is seeking public comments on an application for expansion of the Mt. Carberry Secure Landfill located in Success, NH. A public hearing is scheduled for **6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 27, 2021** for receipt of oral testimony. The public comment period is open and continues until 4:00 PM on Friday, November 12, 2021 for receipt of written comments to be included in the public hearing record.

Application Summary: Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District (AVRRDD) submitted to NHDES a Type I-A Permit Modification Application to expand the existing landfill both laterally, creating about 24.1 acres of new footprint, and vertically above the existing footprint. The proposed expansion, called Phase IIIA, would add approximately 4,992,000 cubic yards of capacity and extend the facility's life expectancy by about 16.3 years into 2041. The applicant has also submitted an application for waiver of Env-Sw 804.03(e) regarding a wetlands setback, Env-Sw 805.05(j) regarding penetrations in the existing landfill liner system, and Env-Sw 805.07(b)(1) regarding the 24-hour leak detection time within the existing landfill liner system.

The application documents are available for review during regular business hours at the Coos County offices, 136 County Farm Rd., West Stewartstown, NH; at the AVRRDD Office, 3 Twelfth St., Berlin, NH; and at the NHDES' office, 29 Hazen Dr., Concord, NH. Electronic copies are available through NHDES' OneStop website (<https://www.des.nh.gov/onestop-navigation>).

Public Hearing: A hearing to receive testimony on the application will be held in-person at the Berlin City Hall Auditorium, 168 Main St., Berlin, NH on October 27, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Remote access is also available by registering at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4366154493821480204>. After registering, you will receive confirmation by email with information on how to join the hearing through the internet. Advance registration is not required, but is encouraged. In the event of inclement weather, please call (603) 271-2925 for further information.

Written Comments: Instead of or in addition to providing oral testimony at the public hearing, written testimony may be submitted to NHDES at any time before the close of the public comment period on November 12, 2021 at 4:00 pm. To officially be included in the public record, written testimony must be submitted using one of three methods: by email at swpublic.comment@des.nh.gov; by post to NHDES-SWMB Attn: Jaime Colby, PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095; or by hand delivery to the NHDES' office at 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH.

Assistance: Individuals may request special assistance to attend the hearing under the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act by contacting Nelson Ordway, NHDES, 29 Hazen Dr., PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095; TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964; or by email at solidwasteinfo@des.nh.gov. Requests for assistance must be received no later than 6:00 pm on October 13, 2021.

Additional Information: For additional information, please contact Jaime Colby, P.E., Civil Engineer VI, at (603) 271-5185, email jaime.m.colby@des.nh.gov, or mail to NHDES-SWMB, PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

RSA 149-M:9, RSA 149-M:11, Env-Sw 304.08

PERMIT APPLICATION FOR A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL EXPANSION Mt. Carberry Secure Landfill – Bean Brook Road, Success, NH Permit No. DES-SW-88-029

Application: For your convenience, below are links to the Type I-A permit modification application for expansion (Phase IIIA) of the Mt. Carberry Secure Landfill, which includes the associated application for waiver of certain design requirements. Note that electronic access to these documents is being provided through NHDES OneStop Data and Information Retrieval System (<https://www.des.nh.gov/onestop-navigation>).

- Application Vol. 1: <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/IISProxy/IISProxy.dll?ContentId=4834452>
- Application Vol. 2: <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/IISProxy/IISProxy.dll?ContentId=4834453>
- Supplement 1: <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/IISProxy/IISProxy.dll?ContentId=4881658>
- Supplement 2: <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/IISProxy/IISProxy.dll?ContentId=4910199>

The NH Solid Waste Rules, Env-Sw 100-2000, can be found online here: <https://www.des.nh.gov/rules-and-regulatory/administrative-rules?keys=&purpose=&subcategory=Solid+Waste>; and the NH Solid Waste Management statute, RSA 149-M, can be found online here: <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/NHTOC/NHTOC-X-149-M.htm>.



FIELD REPORT #011

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Date:	September 22, 2021	Project #:	2020-003	<i>Page 1 of 3</i>
To:	Jim Wheeler City of Berlin 168 Main Street Berlin, NH 03570	Project:	Mason Street Bridge #238/055	
Email:	jwheeler@berlinnh.gov	Location:	Berlin, NH	
Prepared By:	Jonathan K. MacDougall, PE	Owner:	City of Berlin	
Reviewed & Approved By:	Christopher R. Fournier, PE	Contractor:	R.M. Piper, Inc.	
		Weather Conditions:	Overcast 70° F	

SITE VISIT

Arrived at site: 11:30 AM

Left site at: 12:30 PM

Personnel & Equipment on site:

- HEB Engineers, Inc. (HEB): Jonathan MacDougall, PE
- R.M. Piper, Inc. (Contractor): Chris Holland (Superintendent), 8 Workers
 - Equipment: Backhoe, Mini-Excavator w/hammer, Air Compressor, Skid Steer, 2 Manlifts

Visitors to site:

- None.

Work Performed by Contractor since last site visit:

- Contractor removed backwall cap forms at the abutments (see Photo 1).
- Contractor installed deck forms at the ends below the haunch.
- Contractor removed all temporary supports below the girders as well as removing all the temporary crushed stone (see Photos 2 and 3).

Items discussed/observed:

- Engineer noted the backwall cap is higher than the end of the steel girders at the second girder from downstream (see Photo 4). This will not allow for expansion of the bridge deck. Contractor noted these girders do not follow the same slope as the rest of the deck and sit lower. Contractor will install a 1-inch thick by 3-inch wide strip of rigid foam at these locations. The foam will prevent concrete from being in this area and compress as the deck expands. Engineer also noted that the forms at the end of the deck must be very tight to prevent concrete from getting between the expanding deck and fixed backwall.
- Contractor confirmed they will be out of the river completely Friday morning (09/24/21) and will remove the lockout for the dam.
- Contractor said they will be placing concrete for the deck prior to placing the new stub wall. Contractor and Engineer discussed the need to anticipate the temperature for the final deck placement to provide an accurate expansion joint opening width. With the proposed joint there is extra room for expansion and the precision of the joint width is not as critical as with other joints.
- Contractor will be installing reinforcing steel for the deck end today (09/20/21).

Work Scheduled:

- Contractor to continue forming deck ends and installing reinforcing steel.
- Contractor is to be completely out of the channel Friday morning (09/24/21).

Please notify HEB if any information is missing from this field report or has been interpreted differently.

Outstanding Items:

- Engineer to review construction of concrete curb in place on demo's concrete curb (FR #004, 09/08/21).

Photos:

- Taken by Jonathan MacDougall on September 22, 2021.



Photo 1: Forms at existing backwall cap.



Photo 2: Forms at deck end.

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Photo 3: Stone re-set at northeast wingwall.



Photo 4: Contractor finishing the concrete at the east abutment.

Copy: R.M. Piper, Inc.
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