



**John R. Kasich**, Governor  
**Mary Taylor**, Lt. Governor  
**Craig W. Butler**, Director

JULY 14, 2017

Hancock County Commissioners  
514 South Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Findlay, Ohio 45840

Re: Hancock County Landfill  
Director's Authorization  
Approval  
Municipal Solid Waste Landfills  
Hancock County  
MSWL018759

Issuance Date: JULY 14, 2017

Effective Date: JULY 14, 2017

Expiration Date: OCTOBER 12, 2017

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**Subject: Hancock County Landfill, Hancock County  
Authorization for a Temporary Increase of the Authorized Maximum  
Daily Waste Receipt (AMDWR)**

Dear Commissioners:

On July 14, 2017, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a request dated July 14, 2017, pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-37-14(D)(1), to temporarily increase the AMDWR of the Hancock County Landfill (Facility) from 750 tons to 1,500 tons for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days. The 750-ton AMDWR was established by PTI number 03-18094 issued on May 12, 2006.

Hancock County and surrounding counties have experienced flooding due to recent storms that moved through the area. The storm events created unusually high volumes of solid waste for Hancock County residents and surrounding communities. You have indicated that the Facility is equipped with the appropriate equipment and personnel to handle the increased volume.

Based upon a review of the request and associated information, I hereby authorize an increase in the AMDWR at the Hancock County Landfill to 1,500 tons for a period of ninety (90) days in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-37-14(D)(1). This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

### CONDITIONS

1. This authorization to increase the AMDWR shall expire ninety (90) days after the effective date of this action.
2. Pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-37-14(D)(2), if the increased waste receipt results in operational violations at the Facility, then this authorization to temporarily increase the AMDWR shall automatically become void upon written notification from the director.
3. Nothing in this authorization shall be construed to authorize any waiver from the requirements of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. This authorization shall not be interpreted to release the owner or operator from responsibility under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapters 3704, 3714, 3734, or 6111; under the Federal Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; or from other applicable requirements for remedying conditions resulting from any release of contaminants to the environment.
4. Issuance of this authorization does not constitute expressed or implied agreement that the operation of the Facility in accordance with this authorization will constitute compliance with applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations, nor does issuance of this authorization ensure that necessary operating permits or licenses will be granted.

### END OF CONDITIONS

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director of Environmental Protection (Director) is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00 made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The Commission, in its discretion, may reduce the fee if by affidavit it is demonstrated that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission  
30 East Broad Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Curtis DeLong of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3033.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. W. Butler', with a large, stylized initial 'C' and 'B'.

Craig W. Butler  
Director

ec: Lindsay Summit, Hancock Public Health  
Steve Wilson, Hancock County Engineer  
Ed Merriman, The Mannik & Smith Group Inc.  
Scott Hester, DMWM-CO  
Mike Reiser, DMWM-NWDO