What is the history of the hazardous waste program?

The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), an amendment to the Solid Waste Disposal Act, was passed in 1976. The main reason for the amendment was to address the growing volume of municipal and industrial solid waste generated across the United States. A few goals established by RCRA include: to protect human health and the environment from potential hazards of waste disposal, to reduce the amount of waste generated, and to ensure that waste produced are managed in an environmentally sound manner.

When RCRA was written, U.S. Congress’ intent was for the states to assume primary responsibility for implementing the hazardous waste regulations with oversight from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). U.S. EPA must approve each state as an authorized state. To become an authorized state, each must demonstrate that the state program is at least equivalent to and consistent with federal laws, provides adequate enforcement authority and provides availability of information similar to the federal program. Since 1989, the State of Ohio has been an authorized state by U.S. EPA for the majority of their hazardous waste program.

How can I become more involved?

A public meeting will be held on February 13, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at Oregon City Council Chambers, 5330 Seaman Rd, Oregon, Ohio 43616 to receive public comments. Oral comments will be received during the public meeting. All persons, including the applicant, may submit written comments relating to this draft action. Written comments may be submitted before the end of the comment period to the address in the box on the left.

The comment period begins on December 27, 2017 and ends on February 23, 2018. Copies of
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the modified permit application pages and the draft permit are available for review by the public at the following locations:

Ohio EPA, Northwest District Office
347 North Dunbridge
Bowling Green, Ohio 43402
419-352-8461

Ohio EPA, Central Office
Division of Environmental Response and Revitalization
Lazarus Government Center
50 West Town Street, Suite 700
Columbus, Ohio 43215
(614) 644-2621

A copy of the draft permit is available for review by the public at:

Toledo-Lucas County Public Library
Oregon Branch
3340 Dustin Road
Oregon, Ohio 43616

The Ohio draft modified permit is available for review by the public online under the “What’s New” tab at:

http://www.epa.ohio.gov/derr/EnvironmentalResponseandRevitalization

The entire record for this draft action is available via Ohio EPA’s eDocument portal:

http://edocpub.epa.ohio.gov/publicportal/edochome.aspx

Using the search function, search under the document type of “Permit” and then refine the search using the package number “571”.

After the close of the public comment period, Ohio EPA will, without prior hearing, issue a modified permit (or deny the request) in accordance with Chapter 3734 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). If Ohio EPA approves the application, taking into account public comments, a modified permit will be issued with terms and conditions as are necessary to ensure compliance with hazardous waste rules.

What does the facility do?

Envirosafe Services of Ohio, Inc. (ESOI) is a RCRA permitted hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility. ESOI treats hazardous waste in a containment building to meet certain regulatory requirements and disposes of the treated waste in an on-site landfill. The active disposal portion of the facility is comprised of one waste disposal cell, designated as Cell M, located in the southern portion of the property. Waste is brought to the facility via truck and railcar. ESOI utilizes permitted storage tanks to store hazardous leachate that is generated at the facility prior to disposal at an off-site permitted hazardous waste facility.

Waste management activities at the site date back to 1954 and there are a number of inactive or closed waste disposal units that have been identified as waste management units (WMU) or areas of concern (AOC).

What is the purpose of this permit modification?

Ohio EPA is incorporating corrective measures/remedies and corrective action ground water monitoring requirements into ESOI’s permit.

What is the regulatory basis to support this permit renewal?

The director may initiate a permit modification by issuing a draft modified permit in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-50-51(J). The director is using the authority in rule to incorporate RCRA Corrective Action requirements into the permit.

Accordingly, Ohio EPA is issuing a draft action indicating the director’s intention with respect to the issuance of a modified permit to ESOI.
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Who can I contact for more information?

For additional information, please contact Lynn Ackerson at (419) 373-4113.