

Mike DeWine, Governor Jon Husted, Lt. Governor Laurie A. Stevenson, Director

April 2, 2021

Frank Migliozzi Health Commissioner Trumbull County Combined Health District 176 Chestnut Ave NE Warren, Ohio 44483 Re: Trumbull County Combined Health District Director's Authorization Approval Health District Partners Trumbull County HD7800

# Subject: Placement on the director's approved lists Solid & Infectious Waste Programs C&DD Program

Dear Mr. Migliozzi:

On February 9, 2021, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) completed its annual survey of your health district regarding your Solid and Infectious Waste Programs and Construction and Demolition Debris Program in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-37-08. The annual survey included the time period between June 24, 2019 and February 9, 2021.

Upon review of the survey findings, I have determined that the Trumbull County Health District is in substantial compliance and I hereby place the Trumbull County Health District on my approved lists of health districts authorized to administer and enforce the solid and infectious waste and construction and demolition debris laws and rules in accordance with Sections 3734.08 and 3714.09 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Additionally, you are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to ORC 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:

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# Environmental Review Appeals Commission 30 East Broad Street, 4th floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

I consider our agencies regulatory partners and appreciate the efforts of your dedicated staff. I recognize the extraordinary role your agency has played in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic, and the challenge this incredible response may have had on health district staffing and implementation of your Solid and Infectious Waste and Construction and Demolition Debris programs. If at any time Ohio EPA can provide assistance to support these programs, please encourage your staff to contact Ohio EPA's Northeast District Office.

Enclosed please find a copy of the annual survey evaluation report for your health district, which includes an assessment of administrative activities. Please note that this annual survey evaluation has been modified due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which may have adjusted the survey period and the conventional scope of file review and field inspections. Ohio EPA hopes to resume the normal evaluation procedure for future annual surveys. If you have questions or comments regarding the manner in which our agencies administer these programs, please contact me or Vlad Cica, Chief of the Division of Materials and Waste Management.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Clarissa Gereby of Ohio EPA's Northeast District Office by telephone at (330) 963-1224.

Sincerely,

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Laurie A. Stevenson Director

Enclosure: 2020 Annual Survey Evaluation Report

cc: Brian Dearth, DMWM-CO Ralph McGinnis, DMWM-CO



# Annual Survey Evaluation Report

Ohio EPA's Delegation of the Solid & Infectious Waste and Construction & Demolition Debris Programs to Local Health Districts

Health District: Trumbull County Combined Health District	Survey Period:	
176 Chestnut Ave NE	Start Date: 6/24/2019	
Warren, Ohio 44483	End Date: 2/9/2021	
Core ID: 437289	Ohio EPA Inspector:	
Secondary ID: HD7800	Clarissa Gereby	
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### **Administrative Review**

A health district either meets program requirements (Y), does not meet program requirements (N), or requirements are not applicable (N/A). Upon review of health district records and other documentation, Ohio EPA made the following conclusions:

	Solid & Infectious Waste (ORC 3734)		Construction & Demolition Debris (ORC 3714)		on	
	Y	Ν	N/A	Y	N	N/A
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(1) and (D)(1)	$\boxtimes$			Χ		
Applications for licenses are on file for each licensed solid waste, infectious waste treatment, or Cⅅ facility in the health district.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(2) and (D)(2)	$\boxtimes$			$\boxtimes$		
Applications are properly completed with all required information.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(3) and (D)(3)	$\boxtimes$			Χ		
All known solid waste, infectious waste treatment, and Cⅅ facilities operating in the health district do hold valid and unexpired licenses.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(4)						
No license has been issued for any new solid waste or new infectious waste treatment facility prior to the director's issuance of required permits and approval of required detail plans.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(5) and (D)(4)	$\boxtimes$			X		
Certification of inspection and compliance has been made to the director within thirty days after issuance of any license.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(6) and (D)(5)	$\boxtimes$			X		
The health district inspects solid waste, infectious waste treatment, and Cⅅ facilities with sufficient frequency to ensure substantial compliance.						

	Solid & Infectious Waste (ORC 3734)		Construction & Demolition Debris (ORC 3714)			
	Y	N	N/A	Ŷ	Ν	N/A
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(7) and (D)(6)	$\boxtimes$			$\boxtimes$		
The health district maintains a file of information relating to each licensed solid waste, infectious waste treatment, and Cⅅ facility throughout each facility's operation and applicable closure periods. Each file includes applications for licenses, certification records, inspection records, approved plans, litigation information (except that privileged by the attorney-client relationship), and other pertinent information.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(8) and (D)(7)	X			X		
The health district undertakes appropriate actions against persons whenever necessary to bring about substantial compliance with Chapters 3734. and 3714. of the Revised Code and rules adopted thereunder.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(9) and (D)(8)	X			X		
The health district takes immediate action to abate serious hazards to the public health resulting from violations of Chapters 3734. and 3714. of the Revised Code and rules adopted thereunder.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(10) and (D)(9)			$\boxtimes$			
The health district complies with applicable facility license transfer procedures.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(11) and (D)(10)	X			$\boxtimes$		
The health district seeks legal assistance from appropriate state and local agencies as necessary to carry out its assigned responsibilities.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(D)(11)				$\boxtimes$		
Each health district staff person possesses either a registered sanitarian/sanitarian-in-training certificate, the equivalent educational background required, or two years adequate work experience inspecting waste facilities.						
OAC Rule 3745-37-08(D)(12)				X		
The health district maintains a file of information relating to each exemption and license special term/condition. The file includes a copy of each exemption order issued and each license issued that contains special terms and/or conditions, as well as the health district's written justification for each action.						

# Comments:

### OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(8) and (D)(7):

The health district appropriately cites violations and sends notification of those violations to regulated facilities within its jurisdiction. If open dumping cases are not resolved after the initial NOV letter, the health district then refers open dumping cases for Health Commissioner hearings and board of health orders. During the survey period, the Ohio EPA forwarded 20 open dumping/illegal disposal complaints and all but two of the of the complaints were resolved. The health department continues

to proceed with the two outstanding complaints with board hearings and Health Commissioner hearings.

## OAC Rule 3745-37-08(C)(9) and (D)(8):

No serious public health hazards resulting from violations of the solid and infectious waste rules were on record for this survey period.

## **Field Surveys**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, field surveys could not be conducted by Ohio EPA staff.

Facility & Inspection Inventory From: 6/24/2019 To: 2/9/2021					
Facility Name	Facility Type & Minimum Annual Inspection #	Comprehensive Inspections Completed	"Other" Inspections Completed		
Lordstown Construction Recovery	Cⅅ Landfill (4)	2	4		
BDM Warren Steel Holdings LLC	RSW Landfill (4)	0	-		
TWL LAS Cⅅ Landfill	Closed Cⅅ Landfill (1)	0	-		
Gaumer Landscape	Composting Facility (Class IV) (1)	2	-		
Heatherwood Landscape	Composting Facility (Class IV) (1)	2	-		
Delli Quadri Landscape	Composting Facility (Class IV) (1)	2	-		
City of Warren WPCC	Composting Facility (Class IV) (1)	2	-		

#### **Solid and Infectious Waste Programs Summary**

The health district conducts required comprehensive inspections at licensed and registered facilities within its jurisdiction to ensure compliance with the solid and infectious waste regulations. Due to circumstances related to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the health district was unable to complete five of the required number of comprehensive inspections for facilities listed on the Facilities & Inspection Inventory table. The inspector did not inspect BDM, (a non-licensed residual waste landfill going through closure/remediation), however, Ohio EPA personnel were at the site during remediation activities. The inspector did not inspect TWL-LAS, (a closed C&DD landfill with a 9-acre portion of municipal solid waste cap area) due to COVID-19 concerns. Ohio EPA, NEDO was notified by the Health Department that inspections at these sites would not be conducted during the survey period.

Additionally, I observed no deficiencies during the administrative review of the annual survey. The health district appropriately documents violations with a comprehensive NOV to the owner/operator detailing any violations, including rule citations and any additional information from the inspection. The health district does request a response from the facility on actions taken to remedy or prevent the violation from re-occurring and conducts re-inspections at facilities if violations are noted to ensure that compliance is achieved. The health district effectively manages solid waste complaints and has procedures in place to escalate enforcement if necessary.

It is the role of Ohio EPA to provide oversight and education to the health district in each of the programs outlined in this letter. The health district's ability to recognize, identify and cite violations in all program areas, as well as familiarity with the regulations during all types of inspections is critical to complete thorough site evaluations and enforcement of the regulations. The health district staff periodically called or emailed Ohio EPA's staff for technical assistance within the program areas. They also requested training throughout the annual survey period. Ohio EPA will continue to conduct peer reviews of inspection letters and provide technical assistance to the health district, as necessary.

### **Construction and Demolition Debris Program Summary**

Due to circumstances related to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the health district was unable to complete one of the required number of comprehensive inspections for the Lordstown Construction Recovery C&DD landfill. A first quarter 2020 inspection at LCR was not attempted due to COVID-19 concerns. The June 2020 and November 2020 inspections were partial inspections limited to discussions and review of logs in the office. The July 2020 inspection included a walk, where it was safe, onsite specifically observing the new cell.

On an annual basis, the health district retains Lynn, Kittinger & Noble, Inc. for review of Lordstown C&DD facility's annual license application. The consulting firm provides technical support to the health district by evaluating license completeness with applicable C&DD regulations.

#### **Post-Survey Conference**

On February 9, 2021, I held a virtual post-survey conference with Frank Migliozzi, Heath Commissioner and Kris Wilster, Environmental Health Director to summarize the annual survey findings. During the post-survey conference, we discussed the health district's compliance with ORC Sections 3734.08 and 3714.09. Additionally, I shared my intention to recommend to you the health district remain on the approved lists.

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This Annual Survey Evaluation Report (Report) is for internal use to perform a preliminary assessment of approved health districts. It is not to be used as an indication of a health district's overall compliance with OAC Rule 3745-37-08, which is a determination of the director of Ohio EPA. This Report and any accompanying information will be forwarded to the director for consideration and to determine substantial compliance with Rule 3745-37-08 of the Administrative Code.

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March 5, 2021

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