

FACT SHEET



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Liberty Landfill LLC Major Permit Modification Application

Office of Land Quality

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Background:

- Liberty Landfill is a municipal solid waste landfill owned and operated by Liberty Landfill LLC. It is located at 8635 East State Road 16, Monticello, Ind. 47960 in White County. The landfill accepts for disposal municipal solid waste, industrial waste, construction & demolition waste, and C-Soil.
- On Nov.2, 2023, Liberty Landfill LLC submitted a major permit modification application which can be found in the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's (IDEM) online Virtual File Cabinet (VFC) (VFC #[83692646](#)). The company also submitted additional information related to the permit modification dated July 2, 2024 (VFC #[83667287](#)), and July 3, 2024 (VFC #[83664334](#)).
- The application proposes to:
 - Expand the facility boundary from approximately 169.1 acres to approximately 608.334 acres
 - Expand the solid waste boundary for the landfill by approximately 100.958 acres. The current permitted acreage is 169.144 acres.
 - Increase the available volume of the landfill from 35,992,000 cubic yards to 62,362,94 cubic yards, a proposed expansion of 24,532,000 cubic yards. Most of the volume increase is due to the horizontal expansion of the landfill. There is minor vertical expansion increase at the interface of the existing solid waste boundary and horizontal expansion.
- Liberty Landfill LLC will hold a public meeting regarding the application on Friday, Sept. 20, 2024, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. ET in the Program Room at the Monticello-Union Township Public Library located at 321 West Broadway Street, Monticello, Ind. 47960. A brief description of the location and proposed changes will be presented and there will be an opportunity for public comments and questions.
- This fact sheet contains information about the proposed modification, the process for issuing the permit, and opportunities for public participation.

IDEM's Role

- IDEM is responsible for protecting human health and the environment while providing for safe industrial, agricultural, commercial, and governmental operations vital to a prosperous economy.
- Properly designed and operated landfills provide a safe place to dispose of waste and protect Hoosiers and our environment by preventing the accidental release of harmful pollutants to air, land, and water.
- Municipal Solid Waste Landfill owners and operators must obtain a major modification permit for any horizontal expansion greater than either one acre or more than 10% of the landfill's existing capacity, and construct and operate it according to Indiana's rules for solid waste land disposal facilities. These rules are found in the Indiana Administrative Code at [329 IAC 10](#). The rules require a wide range of engineered systems to protect the environment.
- IDEM's Office of Land Quality is responsible for reviewing landfill permit applications. Engineers and geologists evaluate the landfill design drawings and operating plans to be sure they meet or exceed the rule requirements before granting a permit or approving modifications to a permit.

- In addition to issuing approvals and permits that comply with federal and state environmental regulations designed to protect public health and our environment, IDEM is also responsible for overseeing permitted activities and monitoring compliance at permitted facilities.

Citizen's Role

- You can review the application and related correspondence online at IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC) web site using the following steps:
 - Go to idem.IN.gov/legal/public-records/virtual-file-cabinet/, which is the VFC's "Document Search" page.
 - Once there, click on the blue box labeled **Virtual File Cabinet**.
 - Select the **Quick Search** dropdown arrow in the upper right corner of the screen.
 - Select **SW Program ID (Solid Waste)**.
 - Enter the SW Program ID, **91-04**, in the box to the right of the Quick Search box.
 - Click the blue Search arrow, which will create a list of links to the documents for this facility. Click on the 'Document Date' column header to sort the documents by date.
 - The date in the Document Date column will match the document date noted in this Fact Sheet. Click the highlighted numbers in the **Content Id** column to view individual documents.
 - Click on the dropdown menu **Page x out of y** or the green navigation arrows on either side of the box to open additional pages containing additional documents.
- Comments may be addressed to Juliana Fracetti, the Solid Waste Permit Manager assigned to this facility, by email at jfracett@idem.IN.gov or by mail at the following address:

**Juliana Fracetti, Permit Manager
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Office of Land Quality
Solid Waste Permits
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Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251**

- All comments are due by **Monday, Sept. 30, 2024**.
- When IDEM makes a final decision about the permit application, a Notice of Decision will be mailed to landowners within one mile of the facility, individuals who submitted comments with a return address, or individuals who requested notification.

Additional Information

- You can direct questions to Juliana Fracetti at 317-550-5937 or jfracett@idem.IN.gov.
- For more information about activities managed through the IDEM Solid Waste Permits Section, please visit IDEM's website at idem.IN.gov/waste/resources/permits-registrations-approvals-and-closures.