

FACT SHEET



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Velpen C-D Landfill Horizontal Expansion Major Modification Application

Office of Land Quality

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Background

- The Velpen C-D Landfill (landfill) is a construction/demolition site located at 3980 South State Road 257, Velpen, Pike County, Indiana. It accepts for disposal waste generated from the construction and demolition of buildings.
- The landfill is owned and operated by Velpen C-D Landfill, Inc. (Velpen).
- Velpen submitted a major permit modification application to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on January 12, 2021 (VFC #[83094758](#)) in conjunction with documentation dated Dec. 1, 2020 (VFC #[83078807](#)), and additional information dated Dec. 17, 2020 (VFC #[83086555](#)), and March 8, 2021 (VFC #[83128982](#)) proposing a horizontal expansion of the landfill that will increase its airspace by 1,732,000 cubic yards and its permitted disposal area by approximately 20.08 acres (for a total of 40.1 acres), and revise and add storm water controls.
- Velpen will hold a public meeting regarding the application on July 21, 2021, at 5:30 PM in the basement of the Petersburg Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) building located at 1202 E. Main Street, Petersburg.
- This fact sheet contains information about the proposed major 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.
- Construction/demolition site 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.

Citizens' 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 <http://vfc.idem.IN.gov/>, which is the VFC's "Document Search" page.
 - Once there, click on the **Alternate Field** dropdown menu.
 - Select **SW Program ID**.

- Enter the Solid Waste Program ID, **63-07**, in the **ID #** box to the right of the **Alternate Field** menu.
- Click the **I'm not a robot** checkbox and wait until a green checkmark appears.
- Click the **Search** button, which produces one or more links to the documents for this facility.
- To find and review the permit decision, click the highlighted numbers in the **Doc #** column to view individual documents.
- Click on the **x out of y Pages** dropdown menu to view additional pages with document links.
- A copy of the application is also available to view at the Pike County Public Library, 1008 East Maple Street, Petersburg.
- You can email comments to John Hale, the Solid Waste Permit Manager assigned to this facility, at jhale@idem.IN.gov; we prefer that comments be emailed.
- However, you may also mail comments to the following address:

John Hale, Permit Manager
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Office of Land Quality
Solid Waste Permits
IGCN 1101
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251

- All comments are due by **August 20, 2021**.
- 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 and individuals who submitted comments or requested notification.

Additional Information:

- You can direct questions to Mr. Hale at (317) 232-8871, or by email at jhale@idem.IN.gov.
- For more information about activities managed through IDEM Solid Waste Permits Section, please visit www.idem.IN.gov.