



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) Solid Waste Program received an application for expansion of an existing licensed Class II Landfill facility. DEQ has reviewed the application and has determined it is complete. The name and address of the applicant is:

City of Billings, P.O. Box 1178, Billings, MT 59103

The application is for the expansion to the existing City of Billings Class II Landfill facility. The current City of Billings Class II Landfill is located at 5240 Jellison Road in Yellowstone County, Montana. The applicant proposes to expand the current landfill into a 350-acre City-owned parcel located southeast of the current facility. The proposed landfill expansion area is located in the southeast half of Section 29, Township 1 South, Range 26 East, Montana Principal Meridian, Yellowstone County. The proposed expansion will add an additional 232 acres for the phased construction of waste disposal units with a total waste disposal capacity of 16,321,100 cubic yards over an expected 48-year life.

The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the proposed action and to seek public participation in the decision-making process. DEQ will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the proposal. The meeting will be held on January 10, 2017, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the gymnasium of the Blue Creek School, 3652 Blue Creek Road, Billings, Montana. Persons with disabilities who need reasonable accommodations to participate in this meeting should contact DEQ's Jeni Flatow at (406) 444-6469.

To comply with Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.4.607(2), 608, 609, and 610, a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared. A copy of the Draft EA is available upon request from the Waste and Underground Tank Management Bureau, Solid Waste Program, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901, or on DEQ's website at <http://deq.mt.gov/ea/WasteMgt.mcpx>. A copy of the document is also available at the City of Billings Solid Waste Division office, 4848 Midland Road; City of Billings Public Works Department, 2224 Montana Avenue; RiverStone Health office, 123 South 27th Street; and the Billings Public Library, 510 North 28th Street.

The deadline for submitting comments on the proposed Class II landfill is the close of business on January 30, 2017. Comments may be submitted to DEQ via U.S. Mail to the above address or via e-mail to mailbox DEQSWprogram@mt.gov. Please call (406) 444-5300 for information or help.

Dated this 16th day of December 2016.