

WHAT'S NEW WITH SOLID WASTE @ DEQ?

UPCOMING EVENTS & REMINDERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021

It's time to submit your 2021 Annual Reports! All Class 1 landfills and solid waste processing facilities must submit their Annual Reports by March 31, 2021.

CURRENT TOPICS

SOLID WASTE OPERATORS

Statewide, we have over 800 solid waste operators. With this in mind, include the required application renewal fee (check) when submitting your license application/renewal notice form. By submitting these two requirements together, DEQ staff can efficiently and accurately process and track your application renewal fee (check) along with the form.

RECENT UPDATES

DEQ receives hundreds of submittals daily from our regulated community. DEQ's Solid Waste staff wants to ensure that all submissions from the regulated community are properly processed.

All correspondence and submittals, including checks to cover fees, are first processed by the E&E Records Management Mail room. The checks are scanned and then sent to the E&E Fiscal Office for processing. Any other type of submittals are scanned, saved, and then sent to the proper E&E section for review.

ALL SUBMITTED CHECKS MUST INCLUDE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION TO BE PROPERLY PROCESSED.

Since all checks are processed by the E&E Fiscal Office, it is especially important to adequately identify the nature of the fee (check) to make sure it is processed correctly. Please include relevant identifying information on all checks:

- Type of fee—e.g.: permit modification application, annual fee
- E&E Section—e.g.: solid waste permitting, solid waste licensing
- Facility's information—e.g.: solid waste facility operator, facility name, permit number, license number to name a few.

When applicable, always send your application fee with your permit applications. By submitting these two requirements together, DEQ staff can efficiently and accurately process your permit application.

ALL OTHER SUBMITTALS MUST INCLUDE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION TO BE PROPERLY PROCESSED.

Since all correspondence is processed by the E&E Records Management Mail room, it is especially important to clearly identify all correspondence received, please include your AFIN and Permit Number on the first page of every submittal.

SHINING STAR

The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in an unexpected change in waste composition and quantity forcing the solid waste sector to rapidly adapt its waste management systems and procedures accordingly.

In addition to these changes, the waste sector needed to implement health requirements to protect and prevent the spread of the virus. **The Arkansas solid waste sector succeeds and works hard to prevent possible secondary impacts to health and environment.**

DEQ recognizes the continuous effort made by the over 800 solid waste operators in the state during this pandemic. They are essential workers whose hard work hasn't gone unnoticed during this unprecedented time. Thank you!