

November 20, 2025

Mr. Michael Meriwether, General Manager Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC 40355 S. County Road 236 Waynoka, Oklahoma 73860-6302

RE: Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification Request - Proposed Landfill Cell 16
Proposed Permit Modification
Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC
EPA ID No. OKD065438376; RCRA Permit No. 3547005

Dear Mr. Meriwether:

On November 19, 2024, the Land Protection Division of the Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") received the above-referenced Class 3, Tier III permit modification request ("Application") dated November 15, 2024, from Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC ("CHLM"). The Application is for the addition of a new Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA") landfill disposal unit ("Landfill Cell 16") at the CHLM facility in Waynoka, OK. The required Application fee was submitted on November 22, 2024, and CHLM published the required notice on November 28, 2024, on which date a 60-day public comment period commenced. A Notice of Correction was published on December 5, 2024, to correct minor errors, and a public meeting was held on December 17, 2024. The 60-day public comment period ended on January 27, 2025. No public comments were received.

DEQ conducted an administrative review of the Application and requested additional information (a new Part A Application) in a notice of deficiency ("NOD") dated January 16, 2025. On March 3, 2025, DEQ received CHLM's NOD response dated February 19, 2025. DEQ found the Application to be administratively complete on March 19, 2025, on which date a technical review began. DEQ issued a technical NOD on May 22, 2025, and received CHLM's response on June 20, 2025. DEQ determined the Application to be technically complete and issued a courtesy draft of the Permit Modification on July 31, 2025, for CHLM's review and comment. A copy of the courtesy draft was also sent to Region 6 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. No comments on the courtesy draft were received.

On September 16, 2025, DEQ issued a Draft Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification for public review and comment, including language for the newspaper and radio notices to be published and broadcast. CHLM published the required notice in the Fairview Republican on September 25, 2025, commencing a 45-day public comment period. The notice was also broadcast on a local radio station on September 22, 2025. The 45-day comment period ended on November 9, 2025, and no comments were received.

DEQ has prepared the enclosed Proposed Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification for public review. In accordance with Title 252, Chapter 4, Appendix C of the Oklahoma

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Administrative Code ("OAC") and the Oklahoma Hazardous Waste Management Act (27A O.S.) § 2-14-304, CHLM must publish notice of a 20-day opportunity to request an administrative hearing. The language for the newspaper publication is also enclosed. Please provide proof of publication within 20 days of publication, as required by OAC 252:4-7-13(d). Please ensure a copy of the Proposed Permit Modification is made available at the Fairview City Library; a copy will also be available on DEQ's website at <a href="https://oklahoma.gov/deq/permits/land-permits/permit-public-participation-process.html">https://oklahoma.gov/deq/permits/land-permits/permit-public-participation-process.html</a>.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Brigette Haley of my staff at 405-702-5104 or <u>brigette.haley@deq.ok.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Hillary Young, P.I

Chief Engineer

Land Protection Division

Enclosures: Prop

Proposed Permit Modification

**Fact Sheet** 

Newspaper Notice Language

cc: Harry Shah, US EPA Region 6 (6LCR-RP)

#### PROPOSED HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT MODIFICATION

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") hereby approves the following modification:

**Permit Number:** 

3547005

**Permittee:** 

Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC

Facility: Facility Type:

Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility

County:

Major

#### **Modification:**

Modify the permit to authorize the design and construction of a new landfill disposal unit ("Landfill Cell 16"). The proposed landfill cell will be located within a portion of a 720-acre area of undeveloped ranch land that was recently added to the permit boundary as part of a Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification issued by DEQ on January 30, 2024. The land is located to the west of the existing facility and is currently owned by Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC. Landfill Cell 16 will occupy a waste disposal footprint area of approximately 92 acres and will be composed of thirteen (13) subcells. The landfill addition is classified as a Class 3, Tier III permit modification in accordance with Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("40 C.F.R.") § 270.42 and Oklahoma Administrative Code 252:4-7-54(2).

# **Incorporated by Reference:**

The Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification Application ("Application"), dated November 15, 2024, followed by additional information and revisions dated February 19, 2025, and June 16, 2025, submitted by Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC, inclusive of the following exhibits, is incorporated by reference:

- A. Engineering Drawings
- B. Geotechnical Investigation and Design
- C. Operational Storm Water Management Design
- D. Liner Design (Anchor Trench)
- E. Leachate Collection System (LCS) and Leak Detection System (LDS) Design
- F. Final Closure Design with Run-on/Runoff Control Plan
- G. Closure Plan
- H. Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) Plan
- I. Groundwater Monitoring Well Design

#### **Conditions:**

1. This permit modification is based on data, design criteria, plans, and specifications presented in the documents incorporated by reference. Any inaccuracies found in the Application or supporting documentation may provide cause for potential enforcement action against Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC, and the amendment, modification, or revocation of this permit modification.

## PROPOSED HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT MODIFICATION

2. Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC must comply with all the applicable parts of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the Oklahoma Hazardous Waste Management Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and all conditions of the Hazardous Waste Operations Permit. Any noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Hazardous Waste Permit and is grounds for enforcement action, including: permit modification, administrative civil penalties, suspension or revocation, and denial of a pending permit modification application. The permittee is authorized to operate in conformity with the documents incorporated by reference. Commencing operations under this modification constitutes acceptance of, and consent to, the conditions contained herein. Date: Hillary Young, P.E. Chief Engineer Land Protection Division Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality Date: Kelly Dixon **Division Director** Land Protection Division Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality Date: Robert Singletary **Executive Director** 

Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality

# CLEAN HARBORS LONE MOUNTAIN FACT SHEET

Proposed Permit Conditions for a Tier III Modification of a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA") Operations Permit.

**Type of Action:** Class 3, Tier III Modification of RCRA Operations Permit

Type of Facility: Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility

Facility Name: Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC

**EPA ID Number:** OKD065438376

**Location:** 40355 South County Road 236, Waynoka, OK 73860

**Legal Description:** The South Half (S/2) of Section 28, the North Half (N/2) of

Section 33, the North Half (N/2), Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section 33, Township 23N, Range 15W, Indian Meridian,

Major County, OK

Geographic Location: Latitude: 36° 25' 44.832" North

Longitude: 98° 48' 01.008" West

Land Owner: Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC

40355 South County Road 236

Waynoka, OK 73860

Facility Operator: Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC

40355 South County Road 236

Waynoka, OK 73860 (580) 697-3500

**Time Period for Request**: 20 days from the date of publication

#### **Basis of the Proposed Permit Modification**

On November 19, 2024, the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality's ("DEQ's") Land Protection Division received a Class 3, Tier III RCRA Permit modification request dated November 15, 2024, from Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC ("CHLM") for the addition of a new RCRA landfill disposal unit ("Landfill Cell 16"). Additional information was submitted on February 19 and June 16, 2025. After review, DEQ tentatively approved the modification request and issued a Draft Permit Modification on September 16, 2025, for public review and comment. CHLM broadcasted and published the required notices on September 22 and September 25, 2025, respectively. The 45-day public comment period ended on November 9, 2025, and no public comments were received.

The applicable requirements of the Oklahoma Hazardous Waste Management Act (27A O.S. §§ 2-7-101 through 2-7-134), the Oklahoma Administrative Code hazardous waste management regulations (OAC 252:205) as amended, the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), and the federal hazardous waste regulations have been met, and DEQ has prepared a Proposed Permit Modification.

The Proposed Permit Modification incorporates applicable conditions from OAC 252:205 and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 C.F.R.) Part 270, and other such conditions as are required to achieve environmentally sound hazardous waste management.

The administrative record supporting the proposed permit modification conditions consists of the Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification Application; additional supporting documentation; the Draft Permit Modification; the Proposed Permit Modification; and this Fact Sheet.

# **Information Resources**

Copies of the Proposed Permit Modification; this Fact Sheet; and the Class 3, Tier III Permit Modification Application are available for review during normal business hours at the locations listed below:

Fairview City Library 115 S 6<sup>th</sup> Ave Fairview, OK 73737 (580) 227-2190

Central Records
Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality
707 North Robinson
P.O. Box 1677
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101-1677
(405) 702-1188

DEQ Website: <a href="https://oklahoma.gov/deq/permits/land-permits/permit-public-participation-process.html">https://oklahoma.gov/deq/permits/land-permits/permit-public-participation-process.html</a>

Telephone inquiries may be directed to:

Hillary Young, Chief Engineer Land Protection Division, DEQ (405) 702-5100

Michael Meriwether, Facility General Manager Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC (580) 697-3500

#### **Administrative Hearing Request Period and Procedures**

Persons wishing to request an administrative hearing on the Proposed Permit Modification must submit their requests in writing via certified mail to the agency at the address listed below. The opportunity to request a hearing shall be available to the applicant and any person or qualified interest group who claims to hold a demonstrable environmental interest and who alleges that the construction or operation of the proposed facility or activity would directly and adversely affect such interest. All requests for an administrative hearing must be received by the agency no later than twenty (20) days after publication of notice of the Proposed Permit Modification. All requests for individual proceedings must be in writing, contain a brief statement of the basis of the request, the name and address of each requester, and be signed by the requester or an authorized representative. Requests must be made in writing to:

Administrative Hearing Clerk
Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 1176
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101-1176

The applicable administrative hearing procedures may be found in OAC 252:4 and 27A O.S. § 2-14-304.

### **Notice of Final Determination**

If no requests for an administrative hearing are timely received, DEQ shall issue the permit modification as final. Upon final issuance or denial of the permit modification application, DEQ shall provide public notice of the final permit modification decision.

#### **Newspaper Notice Text**

# OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, STORAGE AND DISPOSAL FACILITY

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) hereby gives notice of opportunity for interested persons to review and request an administrative hearing on a proposed hazardous waste permit modification prepared by DEQ. If no request is timely made, the proposed permit modification will become final.

DEQ reviewed a Class 3, Tier III permit modification application submitted by Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC, for designing and constructing an expansion of its landfill disposal unit at its commercial hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility located in the South Half (S/2) of Section 28, the North Half (N/2) of Section 33, the North Half (N/2), Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section 33, Township 23 North, Range 15 West, Indian Meridian, Major County, Oklahoma. The street address for the facility is 40355 South County Road 236, Waynoka, OK 73860.

DEQ prepared the Proposed Permit Modification after it reviewed the application for compliance with the Hazardous Waste Management Act, Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-7-101, et seq., the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and the rules of the DEQ, Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) Title 252, Chapters 4 and 205; prepared a draft permit; and received no public comments or request for public meeting.

An administrative hearing is an evidentiary individual proceeding held at DEQ's office by an administrative law judge in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (Oklahoma Statutes, Title 75, Section 309) and DEQ procedures (OAC, Title 252, Chapter 4). If held, the hearing will determine: (1) if the proposed permit should/should not be issued as final; and (2) if it is finalized, which, if any, of its conditions should be changed prior to issuance.

An administrative hearing can be requested by a person (or a qualified interest group that has 25 or more members who are Oklahoma residents) who claims to hold a demonstrable environmental interest and who alleges that the construction or operation of the proposed facility or activity would directly and adversely affect such interest. Each requester must participate in the hearing as a party and has a right to present testimony and evidence and cross-examine witnesses about the testimony and evidence presented by the applicant's attorney. An individual may represent himself or be represented by an attorney.

A request for an administrative hearing must be received by DEQ within 20 days after the date this notice is published. The request must be submitted in writing via certified mail to the Administrative Hearing Clerk, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 1176, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1176. All requests for individual proceedings must be in writing, containing a brief statement of the basis of the request, the name and address of each requester, and be signed by the requester or an authorized representative. For more information on hearing procedures, see Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-14-304 and OAC, Title 252, Chapter 4, Rules of Practice and Procedure of the DEQ, Subchapter 9.

The Application, Proposed Permit Modification, Fact Sheet, and related documents may be reviewed during normal business hours at DEQ's Office of Central Records located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the DEQ building at 707 North Robinson, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677; the Fairview City Library at 115 South 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, Fairview, Oklahoma, 73737; and on DEQ's website at <a href="https://oklahoma.gov/deq/permits/land-permits/permit-public-participation-process.html">https://oklahoma.gov/deq/permits/land-permits/permit-public-participation-process.html</a>. For more information on the proposed permit modification, the DEQ and Clean Harbors Lone Mountain, LLC contacts are:

Hillary Young, P.E., Chief Engineer Land Protection Division, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality P. O. Box 1677 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101-1677 (405) 702-5100

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