## OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") received a Tier III application for a solid waste permit modification to laterally expand the Muskogee Recycling and Disposal Facility ("RDF"), an existing municipal solid waste landfill located in Muskogee County at 2801 S 54th Street W, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401. The application was filed by Waste Management of Oklahoma, Inc. on October 13, 2023.

The Draft Solid Waste Permit Modification and its conditions propose to allow Muskogee RDF to increase the permit boundary from approximately 80.5 acres to 316.8 acres, and to increase the waste disposal area from approximately 60.9 acres to 126.4 acres, which is expected to increase the site capacity (solid waste and cover soil) by 6,707,000 cubic yards.

DEQ tentatively found that the application meets the requirements of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-1-101, et seq., and rules of the DEQ, Oklahoma Administrative Code ("OAC") Title 252, Chapters 4 and 515, and has prepared a Draft Solid Waste Permit Modification for public review. Notice of draft permit was originally published in *The Muskogee Phoenix* on June 3, 2025, opening a 30-day public comment period and opportunity to request a public meeting. A public meeting was requested and has been scheduled.

Interested persons may submit oral or written comments and data regarding the Tier III application and Draft Solid Waste Permit Modification for the Muskogee RDF at a public meeting conducted by the DEQ beginning at 5:30 PM on September 4, 2025. The public meeting will be held at the Muskogee Public Library, located at 801 W. Okmulgee St., Muskogee, OK 74401.

The meeting is held in accordance with the requirements of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 2-14-302 and 303. The purpose of the meeting is for any person to submit oral or written statements and data concerning the Tier III application and Draft Solid Waste Permit Modification.

The public comment period is extended until the close of the public meeting. Persons may continue to submit comments in writing to DEQ at the DEQ address or website provided below until the close of the public meeting on **September 4, 2025**.

Copies of the application and Draft Solid Waste Permit Modification may be reviewed at the following locations:

- 1. Locally at the Muskogee Public Library, 801 West Okmulgee Avenue, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401
- 2. DEQ's Central Records Section, located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the DEQ building at 707 N Robinson Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73102.
- 3. DEQ's website at https://www.deq.ok.gov/land-protection-division/permit-public-participation-process/.

For further information about the meeting, contact Hillary Young, P.E., DEQ, Land Protection Division, Phone No. (405) 702-5100, Fax No. (405) 702-5101, email: hillary.young@deq.ok.gov. More specific information can be obtained by contacting Pete Schultze, Waste Management of Oklahoma, Inc. 2801 S 54th Street W, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401, (917) 830-5090.