

BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
October 18 and 19, 2016

MAINE BUREAU OF GENERAL SERVICES
JUNIPER RIDGE LANDFILL EXPANSION APPLICATIONS
#S-020700-WD-BI-N and #L-024251-TG-C-N
Old Town and Alton, Penobscot County, Maine

The Maine Board of Environmental Protection hereby gives notice that it will hold a public hearing on the applications submitted by the State of Maine Bureau of General Services (BGS) and NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC (NEWSME) for a 9.35 million cubic yard expansion of the Juniper Ridge Landfill. The purpose of the hearing is to receive oral and written testimony from the applicant, intervenors, and the public on whether the proposed expansion will meet all applicable licensing criteria of the *Maine Hazardous Waste, Septage and Solid Waste Management Act*, Title 38 M.R.S. §§ 1301 - 1310-AA; the *Solid Waste Management and Recycling Law*, Title 38 M.R.S. §§ 2101-2112; the *Natural Resources Protection Act* (NRPA), Title 38 M.R.S. §§ 480-A - 480-JJ; and associated rules including the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) *Solid Waste Management Rules*, 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 400, 401 and 405 and the following rules governing potential impacts to protected natural resources: 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 305, 310, 315, and 335.

The hearing will be held at the Cross Insurance Center, 515 Main Street, Bangor, Maine beginning on Tuesday, October 18 at 9:00 am and will continue, as needed, on Wednesday, October 19th beginning at 8:30 am. The entire hearing is open to the public. The daytime sessions will be devoted to receiving testimony from the applicant and landfill operator (BGS and NEWSME) and intervenors.

The Board will hold an evening session at the Cross Insurance Center on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 beginning at 6:00 pm to receive testimony from members of the public. If public testimony is not concluded Tuesday evening, additional public testimony will be taken on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 1:00 pm.

The Board will receive testimony on compliance with the applicable licensing criteria in State statute and rule including, but not limited to, criteria governing the following matters: landfill siting, design and operation; leachate management; stormwater management; potential impacts to air and water quality; water quality monitoring; potential impacts to protected natural resources including wetlands; and the State's solid waste management hierarchy.

The application and related materials are available for review on-line at www.maine.gov/dep/projects.html under “Juniper Ridge Landfill application for expansion.” Interested persons may arrange to view a paper copy of the application and pre-filed testimony during normal business hours at the Department of Environmental Protection’s Bangor Office, 106 Hogan Road, by contacting Lynn Caron at (207) 446-1733 or by electronic mail at Lynn.a.caron@maine.gov.

Written comments on the application will be accepted until 5:00 pm on October 19, 2016. Written comments should be mailed to: Department of Environmental Protection, Attn: Kathy Tarbuck, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0017 or by electronic mail to: Kathy.tarbuck@maine.gov.

The hearing is being held under the legal authority of the *Maine Administrative Procedure Act*, Title 5 M.R.S. §§ 9051-9064; DEP statutes Title 38 M.R.S. §§ 341-D(2) and 1310-S(2), and the DEP’s *Rules Governing the Conduct of Licensing Hearings*, 06-096 C.M.R. ch. 3 (2015).

Questions regarding the hearing should be directed to Cynthia Bertocci at (207) 287-2452 or cynthia.s.bertocci@maine.gov or Mary Sauer, Assistant Attorney General at (207) 626-8579 or mary.sauer@maine.gov.

James W. Parker, Chair
Board of Environmental Protection