Solid Waste Transfer Facility Rulemaking

First Stakeholder Meeting

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Agenda



- Statutory Requirement For Transfer Facility Rules
- Impacted Solid Waste Facility Types
- Elements Of The Rule
- What Transfer Facilities Will Need To Do
- Rulemaking Timeline

Requirement for Transfer Facility Rules



A.R.S. § 49-761(A)

 ADEQ shall adopt rules for storage, processing, treatment, and disposal of solid waste

A.R.S. § 49-761(G)

 ADEQ shall adopt rules for facilities subject to self-certification (see 49-762.05)

A.R.S. § 49-761(H)

 ADEQ shall adopt rules for facilities subject to Best Management Practices (see 49-762.02)

A.R.S. § 49-761(J)

 ADEQ shall adopt rules for financial assurance requirements for facility closure, post-closures, and corrective action (see 49-770)

Solid Waste Facilities in Arizona





Plan Approval (A.R.S. §49-762)

Self-Certification (A.R.S. §49-762.01)

Subject to Best Management Practices (A.R.S. §49-762.02)

Includes landfills, facilities that store/treat/dispose of medical waste or special waste Anything not covered by plan approval or BMPs including Transfer Facilities with a throughput greater than 180 cy/day

7 specific facility types listed in A.R.S. §49-462.02 including Transfer Facilities with a throughput 180 cy/day or less

Elements of the Rule



Design

Operation

Final Closure

Financial Assurance

Registration

Design



Existing Control Requirements in Statute

- Wind dispersion
- Discharge of hazardous wastes
- Vector breeding
- Fire hazards
- Public access to medical and special wastes

Additional Control Requirements

- Unauthorized dumping
- Dust and track-out
- Manage stormwater run-on and run-off
- Post signage including facility name, address, prohibited wastes

Managing Solid Wastes

- Waste handled on impervious surface or in containers
- Facilities which utilize a tipping floor shall provide for collection and lawful disposal of any leachate and washdown water

Managing Bulk or Containerized Liquids

- Containers and Tanks used to handle liquids should be watertight, leak-proof, and constructed of materials compatible with the waste being stored
- Areas used to load or unload liquids should be designed to contain spills and accidental releases

Operations



Operate Within Designed Capacity

• Maximum volume or tonnage the facility has or will ever hold

Operate Within
Designated Waste
Handling Areas

 Onsite areas (meeting design requirements) capable of handling waste including during seasonal increases and extenuating circumstances

Implement Waste Screening Program

• Use reasonable measures to screen incoming material to prevent acceptance of unauthorized wastes

Provide Annual Employee
Training

- Waste Identification
- Emergency Response
- Spill Containment

Facilities Managing Bulk/Containerized Liquids must:

- Use reasonable methods to determine compatibility of outgoing waste
- Label containers and tanks used to handle waste with description of contents

Final Closure Plan and Financial Assurance



Provide notice to the department of intent to close

Remove and properly dispose of all solid waste (including leachate) from the facility up to the design capacity

Wash all areas of the transfer facility that were in contact with solid waste and that are not to be removed during the final closure

Post signs stating that the transfer facility is closed for all solid waste transfer activities.

Cost estimate utilizing third-party costs for these tasks

Financial Assurance



- Facilities shall submit the latest demonstration of financial responsibility for each facility within 180 days of the rule becoming effective or before operation of new facilities
- The FA demonstration shall be updated and submitted every 3 years and as necessary whenever closure plans are amended or corrective action costs are changed

Closure Cost Estimate		
Closure Element	Total Cost	Notes
Total Waste Removal Cost (including stockpiles, drums, other):	\$	Specify Loading / Hauling and Disposal Rate (\$/ton) or (\$/cy): \$
Total Leachate / Wash Water / Residue Removal Cost:	\$	Specify Loading / Hauling and Disposal Rate (\$/ton) or (\$/gal): \$
Total Decontamination Cost:	\$	
Total Project Management/Oversight:	\$	
Total Other:	\$	Specify:
Total:	\$	

Example Closure Cost Calculation

Acceptable Mechanisms For Financial Assurance



Financial Assurance mechanisms under A.R.S. § 49-761(J)

Surety Bond

Certificate of Deposit

Trust Fund

Letter of Credit

Insurance Policy

Certificate of Self-Insurance

Deposit with
State
Treasurer

Guarantees and Financial Tests Other as
Approved by
the Director

Registration



Initial Registration for BMP Facility

- Contact Information
- Address and location information
- A brief description of operations including maximum waste capacity and program for screening unauthorized wastes
- A map or diagram of the property showing its approximate size and denoting all areas designated for waste handling

Additional Information for Self-Cert Facility

- Documentation that the facility will comply with local zoning laws
- Documentation that the facility has any other environmental permit that is required by statute.
- A copy of the public notice in a newspaper stating the intent to construct and operate a new solid waste facility

Modifications or Additions

 Update registration when existing facilities undergoing substantial changes to design or operation

What will transfer facilities need to do?



Within 180 days of the rule becoming effective or before operation of new facilities

Existing previously registered facilities:

- Implement any necessary changes to design and operation
- Re-submit a registration showing how you comply with the rules including any new required information
- Develop and submit your closure plan and FA

Existing unregistered facilities:

- Submit a registration showing how you comply with new rules
- Develop and submit your closure plan and FA

New planned facilities:

- Submit a registration showing how you comply with new rules prior to construction
- Develop and submit your closure plan and FA before operations begin
- Pay new facility fee

Please reach out to the department if you need assistance determining what facilities are currently registered under your organization

Transfer Facility Rule Timeline





2nd Qtr 2025

Final Rule and Governor's Regulatory Review Council (GRRC) Approval

1st Qtr 2025

Stakeholder Meeting

Sep/Oct 2024



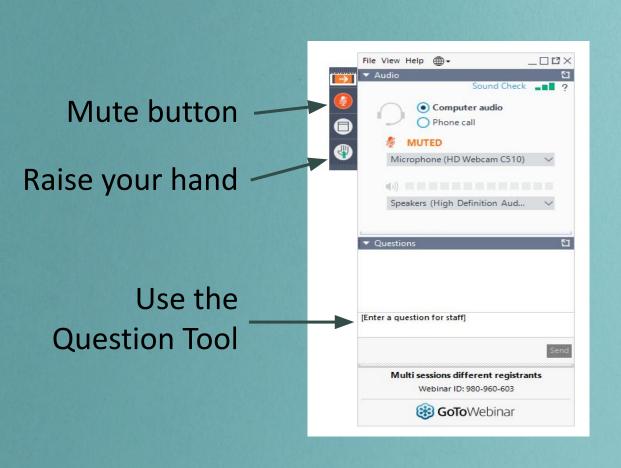
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)

4th Qtr 2024

Today's Stakeholder Meeting 8/22/2024

Questions?







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