

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

#### **DRAFT STATE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Notice is hereby given that on July 6, 2009, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) issued a draft State Solid Waste Management Plan (State Plan) and is seeking public comment in accordance with Section 3734.50 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC).

ORC 3734.50 specifies that the State Plan should: reduce reliance on landfills for the management of solid waste; establish objectives for solid waste reduction and recycling; establish restrictions on the types of solid waste that can be disposed in landfills; establish general criteria for the location of landfills; examine alternate methods for the disposal of municipal solid waste incinerator ash; establish a statewide strategy for managing scrap tires; establish a strategy to promote markets for products containing recycled materials, and; establish a program for the proper management of household hazardous waste.

A public comment period has been established that will run until August 4, 2009. In addition, five public hearings will be held to consider public comments. These hearings will be held on the following dates at the following locations:

Tuesday, July 21 at Ohio EPA's Northwest District Office, Conference Room A, 347 North Dunbridge Rd., Bowling Green, (419) 352-8461.

Wednesday, July 22 at Ohio EPA's Central Office, Conference Room C, 50 West Town St., Suite 700, Columbus (614) 644-3020.

Thursday, July 23 , at Ohio EPA's Southwest District Office, Conference Room 4A, 401 E. Fifth St., Dayton (937) 285-6357.

Wednesday, July 29 at Ohio EPA's Northeast District Office, 2110 E. Aurora Rd., Twinsburg, (330) 963-1200.

Thursday, July 30 at Ohio EPA's Southeast District Office, Room 104B, 2195 Front St., Logan (740) 385-8501.

All public hearings will begin at 2:00 p.m. To facilitate the scheduling of oral presentations, persons intending to give testimony at the hearing should notify Ohio EPA's Public Interest Center, either in writing at P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43215-1049, or by telephone at (614) 644-2160. Prior registration will ensure that registrants are heard ahead of those individuals who register at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to five minutes, depending on the number of persons testifying. All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented and to present oral and/or written comments.

Written testimony should be sent to the attention of Ernie Stall at Ohio EPA's Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management (DSIWM), P.O. Box 1049, Columbus Ohio 43215-1049. Written comments may also be submitted to the Hearing Officer at the public hearing. Written testimony will receive the same consideration as oral testimony. All testimony received at the hearing or by close of business on August 4, 2009 will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to adopting the final State Plan. Written comments submitted after this date may be considered as time and circumstances permit.

Questions regarding the State Plan should be directed to Ernie Stall, at the Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management, at (614) 728-5356.

To receive a copy of the draft State Plan, please contact the DSIWM receptionist at Ohio EPA's central office at (614) 644-2621. In addition, a copy is available for review at each of Ohio EPA's district offices and at Ohio EPA's central office. The draft State Plan is also accessible on DSIWM's web page at <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsiwm/pages/stateplan.html>.