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Ohio EPA Issues Isolated Wetlands Permit to Owners of Columbiana County Landfill

Ohio EPA has issued an isolated wetlands permit to Total Waste Logistics LLC (TWL) for a proposed expansion of its construction and demolition debris landfill in Columbiana County. The permit allows the company to impact up to 1.26 acres of isolated wetlands at its Penn-Ohio landfill property located at 7555 North Street in Negley.

TWL requested the permit as part of a plan to expand the landfill from 51 acres to approximately 153 acres. It is one of several Ohio EPA permits and approvals needed before an expansion could take place.

A public hearing concerning TWL's application was held on July 8, 2010, in Negley. The meeting was an opportunity for citizens to ask questions and submit comments concerning the isolated wetlands application. Ohio EPA's written response to public comments and a copy of the permit are available [online](#).

Anyone wanting to discharge dredged or fill material to waters of the State must first obtain a water quality certification or isolated wetlands permit from Ohio EPA. They also may need a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Ohio EPA's review is to ensure the project will comply with Ohio's water quality standards.

Ohio EPA considered the technical and environmental aspects of the project prior to issuing the isolated wetlands permit. As approved, the project may change the current water quality conditions in the North Fork Little Beaver Creek watershed, but cannot violate Ohio's water quality standards that protect human health and the environment.

Issuance of the permit can be appealed to the [Environmental Review Appeals Commission](#) (ERAC). Many appeals must be filed within 30 days of issuing the final action; therefore, Ohio EPA recommends that anyone wishing to file an appeal contact ERAC at (614) 466-8950 for more information.

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