

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Ohio EPA Issues Preferred Plan for  
Jackson County Landfill, Jackson, Ohio;  
Public Meeting to be held

On February 17, 2015, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) issued a Preferred Plan concerning the former Jackson County Landfill located at 1841 Smith Bridge Road in Jackson, Jackson County, Ohio (Site). The Preferred Plan summarizes the history of the Site and the investigation of contamination at the Site, provides an analysis of the feasibility of remedial alternatives, and outlines Ohio EPA's preferred alternative for remediation.

The Site began operations in 1970 as a municipal solid waste landfill, wherein more than 5,000 drums of industrial waste were accepted and disposed of. The landfill ceased accepting waste in 1987; however it was never properly closed. Since the landfill was never properly closed, ground water contamination occurred, and outbreaks of leachate (water which has migrated through waste) were found all over the landfill. The preferred alternative includes: a geomembrane cap system, ground water monitoring, a soil gas collection system, a leachate collection system, site security, a long term operation and maintenance plan, institutional controls, and a potential contingency to evaluate, and possibly install, a wetland for treatment of leachate if a sufficient amount of leachate is being generated.

Ohio EPA will hold a public meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2015, to answer questions and to accept comments on the Preferred Plan. The public meeting will begin at 6:00pm at the Jackson City Council Chambers located at 199 Portsmouth Street in Jackson. The public meeting will begin with an information session during which Ohio EPA will present a summary of the Preferred Plan and answer questions. After the information session the public can submit oral or written comments for the record regarding the Preferred Plan.

In addition, Ohio EPA will accept written comments through Friday, April 17, 2015. Anyone may submit written comments on the Preferred Plan by writing to: Dustin Tschudy, Site Coordinator, Ohio EPA, Southeast District Office, 2195 Front Street, Logan, Ohio 43138. Comments can also be faxed to Dustin Tschudy at (740) 385-6490 or e-mailed to him at [Dustin.Tschudy@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Dustin.Tschudy@epa.ohio.gov). Ohio EPA will consider all comments submitted during the public comment period before taking a final action.

A copy of the Preferred Plan has been provided to the Jackson City Library, located at 21 Broadway Street, Jackson, Ohio. The Preferred Plan and related documents are available for review at Ohio EPA's Southeast district office by calling (740) 385-8501 for an appointment, or via the internet at <http://epa.ohio.gov/derr/EnvironmentalResponseandRevitalization.aspx#113282715-whats-new>.