



NDEQ Inspections – Inspection Forms and Common Findings

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Guidance Documents

- Disposal of Bulk Quantities of Liquids in Household-Sized Containers
 - Businesses should still maintain their existing plans for liquids disposal
 - Small household-sized containers of liquids
 - Unexpected spoilage, expiration, or damaged containers
 - No hazardous wastes



Waste Tire Permits

- Permitted tire haulers for 2016 so far – 25
 - A few new, some old dropped out
 - Permits renewed on April 1st every year
 - Financial Assurance required either \$5k or \$10k
- Alternative uses for tires
 - Shredded tires in Rubber Modified Asphalt
 - Studies show it lasts as long as regular asphalt, also reduced road noise
 - Two landfills are using shredded tires in their A.D.C. in whole or in part.



Permit Modifications

- Permit modification is required for any change to your operations
 - Contact your permit writer to determine if your changes are minor or major mods
 - Obviously, if you plan to make several changes, do them at the same time to avoid multiple modifications.
 - **PLAN AHEAD!!!** If you can't wait until your renewal to do a major mod, be sure you give your permit writer time to complete before construction is scheduled to begin.



Post Post-Closure?

- DEQ is working on draft guidance for the end of Post-Closure.
 - Some testing may be required to ensure your landfill has fully stabilized.
 - 30 year post-closure not guaranteed.
 - Financial Assurance may need to be altered to accommodate this.
 - Start planning action 5 to 10 years before end of post-closure.



Illegal Dumping

- Still seeing a lot of illegal dumping in ditches
 - Dumping of tires
 - Household trash
 - White goods/furniture/yard waste
- Some waste handlers are not taking their waste to permitted landfills.
 - Dumping and burial on private property is still unlawful.
 - Illegal to operate an unpermitted landfill.



Building Demolition

- Failure to conduct Asbestos Inspection, abatement.
 - Must be done by a licensed Asbestos Inspector
 - Abatement must take place before building demolition.
- Burning
 - Owners continue to seek permits to burn, or burn without permission
 - Burning can only take place via local fire department Fire Training Burn
 - Applications for Training Burn is on the DEQ website



Conclusion:

- Thank you for your time
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