

WHAT'S NEW WITH SOLID WASTE @ DEQ?

LOOKING FOR SUCCESS?

To ensure the right person receives the Solid Waste team's response, please let us know if any contact information observed in the solid waste database needs to be updated. In order to update your contact information, please contact your project engineer. Also, you may contact Karen Blue at 501.682.0878 or blue@adeq.state.ar.us.

RECENT UPDATES

RECYCLE & REDUCE COSTS—WASTE REDUCTION CREDITS FOR LANDFILLS

If a landfill removes waste from the solid waste stream for recycling or beneficial reuse, a waste reduction credit may be allowed, provided the following conditions are met:

1. Weigh or measure all incoming waste (including potential recyclables). Materials can only be counted as waste reduction if it has first been counted as part of the incoming waste. This weight or volume is recorded in the Waste Disposal Quarterly Report Form.
2. Separate recyclables at the landfill reclamation station.
3. Weigh or measure all recyclable materials again as it leaves the facility. Before DEQ can approve a credit, recyclable materials must be removed from the landfill.
4. Maintain records showing types, descriptions, net weight or volume, and final destination of materials removed for marketing.
5. Incorporate waste reduction methodology into your approved Disposal Fee Plan.

For assistance with waste reduction credits, please contact Susan Speake at 501.682.0594.

POLICY UPDATES

ATTENTION! TRANSFER STATIONS COVERED UNDER A GENERAL PERMIT

On May 11, 2021, DEQ issued a minor modification to the General Permit for Construction and Operation of a Solid Waste Transfer Station pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 8-6-607(a)(6) and Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission's Rule 22.308(f). This permit modification changed the expiration date to May 31, 2022, for Transfer Stations covered under a General Permit.

Please be aware that Transfer Stations permitted under a General Permit are not required to submit a Notice of Intent at this time. Once DEQ develops and issues a new General Permit, then you will be required to submit a new Notice of Intent and supporting documentation based on Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 22.103(g).

For more information, please contact Annette Cusher at 501.682.0841 or cusher@adeq.state.ar.us.

SHINING STAR

At the beginning of 2021, Faulkner, Pulaski, and Saline counties collaborated on a joint e-waste collection of computers and peripherals. The collection, which was conducted at sites in Conway, Little Rock, and Benton, attracted residential customers from the three-county area, collecting more than 15 tons of e-waste for recycling and re-purposing. The joint collection was funded in part by a DEQ e-waste grant.