

# Request for Comments

## Proposed Solid Waste Permit Renewal for Oakridge Transfer Station

Comments due: 5 p.m., Sept. 25, 2017

**Project location:** Oakridge Transfer Station, 48977 Kitson Springs Rd, Lane County

**Proposal:** The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality proposes to issue a solid waste permit renewal for this facility. The permit authorizes the owner and operator of this facility to operate the facility in conformance with the requirements, limitations and conditions set forth in the permit. The facility is owned and operated by Lane County Waste Management Division.

**Highlights:** The permit allows the permittee to operate and maintain a solid waste transfer station in conformance with the requirements, limitations and conditions set forth in the permit. The permit regulates the collection and transfer of municipal solid waste to a permitted disposal site. This site is open to the public.

The permit also allows for the collection and transfer of approved materials to markets for recycling, energy recovery, composting or reuse.

The permit prohibits acceptance of certain materials for disposal in a landfill. Some examples of this are used tires, certain electronic devices, lead acid batteries and used oil. (These materials may be accepted for recycling.) The permit also prohibits the acceptance of hazardous waste and materials that contain asbestos.

Conditions are contained in the permit and the operations plan requiring the transfer site to be operated in a manner that protects the environment and prevents nuisance conditions from developing.

**How to comment:** Send comments to DEQ Permit Coordinator, Denise Miller, at 165 E. Seventh Ave., Ste. 100, Eugene, OR 97401 or [miller.denise@deq.state.or.us](mailto:miller.denise@deq.state.or.us).

**Where can I get more information?** View the draft permit and permit evaluation electronically by scrolling down in this document or going to <http://oregon.gov/deq/Pages/publicnotice.aspx>. To request a copy be mailed to you, contact Denise Miller, DEQ permit coordinator, at 541-687-7465 or [miller.denise@deq.state.or.us](mailto:miller.denise@deq.state.or.us). For questions on the permit, please contact Julie Berndt at 541-687-7342 or [berndt.julie@deq.state.or.us](mailto:berndt.julie@deq.state.or.us).

If you want to review the application and related documents in person at the DEQ office located in Eugene at 165 E. Seventh Ave., Ste. 100, Eugene, OR 97401, please contact Denise Miller, DEQ permit coordinator, at 541-687-7465 or [miller.denise@deq.state.or.us](mailto:miller.denise@deq.state.or.us), set up an appointment.

**The next step:** DEQ considers and responds to all comments received and may modify the proposed permit based on comments.

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## SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITE PERMIT: Transfer Station

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541-687-7465

Issued in accordance with the provisions of [Oregon Revised Statutes Chapter 459](#), [Oregon Administrative Rules 340 Divisions 93, 95, 96](#) and [97](#) and [ORS Chapter 468B](#) and subject to the Land Use Compatibility Statement referenced below.

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**Issued to:**

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**Facility name and location:**

Oakridge Transfer Station  
48977 Kitson Springs Rd  
Oakridge, OR 97463  
Lat. 43.7286 Long. -122.4479  
Lane County

**Owner:**

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**ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO:**

- A solid waste permit application received June 24, 2016
- A Land Use Compatibility Statement from Lane County Planning Dept. dated April 5, 1995

The determination to issue this permit is based on findings and technical information included in the permit record.

**ISSUED BY THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

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Brian Fuller, Manager  
Western Region Materials Management  
Permitting and Compliance

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Date

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**Permitted Activities**

Until this permit expires or is modified or revoked, the permittee is authorized to **operate** and maintain a solid waste land disposal site in conformance with the requirements, limitations and conditions set forth in this document, including all attachments.

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## ALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES

### 1 WASTE RECEIPT AND DISPOSAL AUTHORIZATIONS

#### 1.1 Waste authorized for receipt

This permit authorizes the facility to accept solid waste from the public and commercial waste haulers for transfer, except waste specifically prohibited in Section 3.0 (Prohibitions).

A DEQ-approved Special Waste Management Plan is required for acceptance of certain waste that requires special management due to the threat posed to human health or the environment (see Special Waste Management Plans in section 4).

Reference: Solid waste is defined in [ORS 459.005](#)

#### 1.2 Authorization to receive other waste

Waste excluded from the above authorization may be authorized for acceptance only if DEQ approves acceptance in writing.

#### 1.3 Authorization of other activities

All facility activities are to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this permit. All plans required by this permit become part of the permit by reference once approved by DEQ. Any conditions of the approval are also incorporated into this permit unless contested by the permittee within 30 days of the receipt of a conditional approval.

#### 1.4 Duration of authorization.

The authorization to accept solid waste will terminate at the time of site closure. After that time no solid waste may be accepted without written authorization by the DEQ.

### 2 RECYCLING

#### 2.1 Recyclable materials.

The permittee must provide a place for receiving the following recyclable materials:

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|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ferrous scrap metal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non-ferrous scrap metal (including aluminum)               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> motor oil           |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> newspaper           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> corrugated cardboard and kraft paper<br>(brown paper bags) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> container glass     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> tin cans   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hi-grade office paper          |  |

The permittee is encouraged to provide recycling opportunities for other recyclable materials in addition to the list above.

#### 2.2 Recycling depot location

The place for receiving recyclable materials must be located at the transfer station or at another location more convenient to the population served by the transfer station. The recycling center must be available to every person whose solid waste enters the disposal site.

### **2.3 Material use**

All properly prepared, source separated recyclable materials must be reused or recycled. Used oil and wood waste may also be burned for energy recovery. The permittee shall not landfill or dispose of any source separated recyclable material. The permittee must consult with DEQ regarding the disposition of improperly prepared recyclable material which is unusable for reuse or recycling.

### **2.4 Recycling information.**

The permittee must provide or have available upon request, recycling information for disposal site users which includes the following:

- The location of the recycling center at the disposal site or another location
- The hours of operation of the recycling center
- Instructions for correct preparation of accepted source separated recyclable material
- The material accepted for recycling
- Reasons why people should recycle

### **2.5 Signs**

A sign must be prominently displayed which indicates:

- The availability of recycling at the disposal site
- The materials accepted at the recycling center
- The hours of operation of the recycling center (if different than disposal site hours)

Note: The sign may indicate the location of other recycling centers for materials not collected at the disposal site

### **2.6 Storage**

All recyclable materials, except car bodies, white goods and other bulky items, must be stored in containers unless otherwise approved by DEQ. The storage area must be maintained in an orderly manner and kept free of litter. Recyclable materials shall be removed at sufficient frequency to avoid creating nuisance conditions.

### **2.7 Waste tire management**

This permit authorizes the facility to accept up to 100 whole tires for storage and removal. This permit authorizes the facility to accept up to 2,000 whole tires for storage and removal if the permittee maintains a continuous contract with a DEQ permitted waste tire carrier to remove the tires from the site.

### **2.8 Salvaging and recycling**

Salvaging and recycling are authorized if conducted in a controlled and orderly manner.

## **3 PROHIBITIONS**

### **3.1 Prohibited waste**

Unless otherwise approved in writing by DEQ the permittee must not accept the following waste. The following waste is prohibited from being disposed with municipal solid waste or transferred to a landfill for disposal:

- Hazardous waste – Reference: 40 CFR 258.20(b) and [OAR 340-101](#)

- Liquid waste Definition: Liquid waste is waste that does not pass the paint filter test performed in accordance with [EPA Method 9095](#)
- Explosives
- Asbestos containing material as defined in [OAR 340-248-0010](#)
- Infectious waste (Exception: Sharps may be accepted when handled in accordance with [OAR 340-093-0190\(1\)\(d\)\(B\)](#). Note: Treated (noninfectious) medical waste including sterilized medical waste that was previously biological waste, cultures and stocks may be accepted. Treated pathological waste is not allowed to be accepted.)

Unless otherwise approved in writing by DEQ the permittee must not knowingly accept the following waste or mix the following waste in with municipal solid waste or transfer the following waste to a landfill for disposal. The following waste may be collected for storage, management and recycling:

- Lead-acid batteries
- Source separated recyclable material
- Large home or industrial appliances
- Used oil that does not contain PCBs
- Covered electronic devices
- Computer monitors having a viewable area greater than four inches diagonally
- Televisions having a viewable area greater than four inches diagonally
- Desktop computers
- Portable computers
- Discarded or abandoned vehicles
- Whole tires

This waste must be stored and managed to prevent spills, fires, nuisance or impacts to waters of the state.

### **3.2 Open burning**

The permittee must not initiate or maintain any open burning at this site. Reference: [OAR 340-264-0030](#) (defines open burning).

## **OPERATIONS AND DESIGN**

### **4 OPERATIONS PLAN**

#### **4.1 Plan compliance**

The permittee must conduct all operations at the facility in accordance with the approved Operations Plan including any amendments. The DEQ-approved Operations Plan is incorporated into the permit by reference.

#### **4.2 Plan Content**

The Operations Plan must describe the proposed (if not yet operating) or current method of operation of the facility in accordance with all regulatory and permit requirements.

#### **4.3 Special Waste Management Plan**

DEQ-approved Special Waste Management Plans are required as part of the Operations Plan for certain waste materials that because of their nature, pose potential hazards to human health or the environment and require careful handling at transfer facilities. The plan must address procedures for receipt, handling, storage, spill clean-up and transport for reuse, recovery or disposal at an appropriately permitted facility.

Special waste requiring individual plans include but are not limited to:

- Friable asbestos containing materials
- Infectious waste
- Source separated hazardous waste from conditionally-exempt small quantity generators
- Source separated household hazardous waste
- Septage
- Sewage sludges and grits

#### **4.4 Plan maintenance**

The Operations Plan is a dynamic document and must be updated periodically to reflect current facility practices as they change. The permittee must revise the Operations Plan as necessary to keep it up to date and reflective of current facility conditions and procedures. The permittee must submit revisions of the Operations Plan to DEQ for review and approval prior to commencing any change in operations that might negatively affect the environment or human health.

#### **4.5 Submittal address**

All submittals to the DEQ under this section must be sent to:

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality  
165 E. Seventh Ave., Suite 100  
Eugene, OR 97401-3049  
541-687-7465

## **5 SITE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**

### **5.1 Facility Design and Construction Plan**

The facility, including any additions, must be designed and constructed in accordance with plans approved by DEQ and any amendments approved in writing by DEQ. The permittee must contact DEQ prior to any site modification affecting these structures. DEQ may require the permittee to prepare and submit a modified Facility Design and Construction Plan, stamped by a registered professional engineer. The permittee must receive written approval of the modified Facility Design and Construction Plan from DEQ **prior to commencing construction**.

### **5.2 Construction requirements**

The permittee must perform all construction in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, including all conditions of approval. Any amendments to those plans and specifications must be approved in writing by DEQ.

### **5.3 Construction documents**

When required by DEQ, prior to initiating construction, the permittee must submit and receive written DEQ approval of complete construction documents for the project to be constructed. The construction documents submitted must include a Construction Quality Assurance plan describing the measures that will be taken to monitor and ensure that the quality of materials and the work performed by the constructor complies with project specifications and contract requirements. Reference: OAR 340-093-0140

#### 5.4 Construction report submittal

Within 90 days of completing construction, the permittee must submit to DEQ a Construction Certification Report, prepared by a qualified independent party, to document and certify that all required components and structures have been constructed in compliance with the permit requirements and DEQ-approved design specifications. This submittal must include “as constructed” facility plans which note any changes from the original approved plans.

#### 5.5 Approval to use

The permittee must not accept waste in newly constructed facilities or areas until DEQ has approved the Construction Certification Report. If DEQ does not respond in writing to the Construction Certification Report within 30 days of its receipt, the permittee may accept waste at the facility in the newly constructed facilities or areas.

#### 5.6 Submittal address

All submittals to DEQ under this section must be sent to:

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## 6 RECORDKEEPING, REPORTING AND FEE PAYMENT

### 6.1 Disposal and Recycling Data Collection

- Solid waste disposal - The permittee must collect information on a monthly basis on the number of compactor, drop box, and private vehicles that used the facility and the number of tons of solid waste transferred from each of these sources. Data collected will represent a calendar year.
- Recycling - The permittee must collect information about the amount of each material recovered for recycling or other beneficial purpose each quarter for each year.

### 6.2 Data reporting

- Solid waste disposal – Information collected on solid waste accepted for transfer to a disposal site must be recorded annually on the DEQ form titled: *Solid Waste Transfer Report*. This form is due by Jan. 30 each year.
- Recycling Collector Survey – Recycling information collected must be submitted to the local watershed representative (county recycling contact) by Jan. 31 of each year

### 6.3 Non-compliance reporting

In the event that any condition of this permit or of DEQ’s rules is violated, the permittee must immediately take action to correct the violation and to notify DEQ **within 24 hours** at: DEQ’s Western Region Materials Management Program Office at 541-687-7465.

Response: In response to a notification, DEQ may conduct an investigation to evaluate the nature and extent of the problem, and may require additional corrective actions, as necessary.



#### **6.4 Fee payment**

The permittee must pay the solid waste compliance fee each year this permit is in effect. DEQ will send an invoice to the permittee indicating the amount of the fee, prior to the date due; which is July 31 of each year. Fees are based on the tons of solid waste received and transferred for disposal.

#### **6.5 Records**

The permittee must keep copies of all records and reports for five years from the date created.

#### **6.6 Access to records**

Upon request, the permittee must make all records and reports related to the permitted facility available to DEQ.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **7 ADMINISTRATION**

#### **7.1 Definitions**

Unless otherwise specified, all terms are as defined in [OAR 340-093-0030](#).

#### **7.2 Permit term and renewal**

The effective date of this permit is the date this document is signed. The expiration date of the permit is indicated at the top right of this document. The authorization to accept solid waste will terminate when this permit expires and/or at the time of site closure; after that time no solid waste may be accepted. An application for permit renewal is required if a permittee intends to continue operation beyond the permitted period. A complete renewal application must be filed at least 180 days before the existing permit expires.

#### **7.3 Property rights**

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights.

#### **7.4 DEQ liability**

DEQ, its officers, agents or employees do not sustain any liability on account of the issuance of this permit or on account of the construction, maintenance, or operation of facilities pursuant to this permit.

#### **7.5 Documents superseded**

This document is the primary permit for the facility, superseding all other solid waste permits issued for this facility by DEQ.

#### **7.6 Binding nature**

Conditions of this permit are binding upon the permittee. The permittee is liable for all acts and omissions of the permittee's contractors and agents.

### **7.7 Access to disposal site**

The permittee must allow representatives of DEQ access to the facility at all reasonable times for the purpose of performing inspections, surveys, collecting samples, obtaining data and carrying out other necessary functions related to this permit.

### **7.8 Other compliance**

Issuance of this permit does not relieve the permittee from the responsibility to comply with any applicable federal, state or local laws or regulations.

### **7.9 Penalties**

Violation of any condition of this permit or any incorporated plan may subject the permittee to civil penalties up to \$25,000 for each day of each violation.

## **8 PERMIT MODIFICATION**

### **8.1 Mid-term review**

At the mid-point of the permit term, DEQ may review the permit and determine whether or not the permit should be amended. While not an exclusive list, the following factors will be used in making that determination:

- Compliance history of the facility
- Changes in volume and/or waste composition
- Changes in operations at the facility
- Changes in state or federal rules which should be incorporated into the permit
- Release of leachate to the environment from the facility
- Significant changes to the DEQ-approved Design Plan or Operations Plan

### **8.2 Modification**

At any time during the life of the permit, DEQ or the permittee may propose changes to the permit.

### **8.3 Modification and revocation by DEQ**

The director of DEQ may, at any time before the expiration date, modify, suspend or revoke this permit in whole or in part in accordance with [Oregon Revised Statutes 459.255](#) for reasons including, but not limited to, the following:

- Violation of any terms or conditions of this permit or any applicable statute, rule, standard or order of the Environmental Quality Commission
- Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts
- A significant change in the quantity or character of solid waste received or in the operation of the disposal site
- Non-compliant operation of the facility

### **8.4 Modification by permittee**

The permittee must apply for a modification to this permit if a significant change in facility operations is planned or there is a deviation from activities described in this document. The permittee must not implement any change in operations that requires a permit modification prior to receiving approval from DEQ.

### 8.5 Public participation

Significant changes in the permit will be made public by the issuance of a public notice as required by DEQ rules.

### 8.6 Changes in ownership or address

The permittee must report to DEQ in writing any changes in either ownership of the facility, the facility property or of the name and address of the permittee or operator within 10 days of the change.

## 9 SITE OPERATIONS

### 9.1 Waste removal

The permittee must remove all waste from the transfer station at least as often as to prevent nuisance conditions from developing.

### 9.2 Discovery of prohibited waste

In the event that the permittee discovers prohibited waste at the facility, the permittee must, within 48 hours, notify DEQ and initiate procedures to isolate and remove the prohibited waste.

- Non-putrescible, non-hazardous, prohibited waste must be transported to a disposal or recycling facility authorized to accept such waste **within 90 days**, unless otherwise approved by DEQ.
- Putrescible, non-hazardous, prohibited waste must be removed **within 48 hours**, unless otherwise approved in writing by DEQ.
- In the event the permittee discovers waste that is hazardous or suspected to be hazardous, the permittee must, **within 48 hours**, notify DEQ.
- Hazardous waste must be removed **within 90 days**, unless otherwise approved by DEQ. Temporary storage and transportation must be carried out in accordance with DEQ rules.

### 9.3 Containers

The permittee must clean all containers on-site, as needed to maintain a sanitary operating environment and to prevent malodors, unsightliness and attraction of vectors.

### 9.4 Equipment

Equipment of adequate size and design to properly operate the facility must be available at all times. In the event of an equipment breakdown, alternative equipment must be provided, unless an exemption from DEQ is granted in writing.

### 9.5 Roads

Roads within the facility must be constructed and maintained to deter, to the maximum extent practical, traffic hazards, dust and mud, and to provide reasonable all-weather access for vehicles using the site.

### 9.6 Vehicles and Truck Covers

All vehicles and equipment operated by the permittee and using public roads, must be constructed, maintained and operated so as to prevent leaking, shifting or spilling of feedstocks and finished compost while in transit. The permittee must notify all incoming feedstock haulers that trucks containing loads that are

likely to blow or fall must be covered or suitably cross-tied to prevent any load loss during shipment, in conformance with [OAR 340-093-0220](#).

### **9.7 Litter control**

Litter that results from the facility operation must be controlled such that the entire facility site and adjacent lands are maintained virtually free of litter at all times. Any debris from the facility must be retrieved and properly disposed of as soon as possible the same operational day it is collected.

### **9.8 Air Quality**

Dust must be controlled in accordance with DEQ's rules on air pollution.

### **9.9 Drainage**

The permittee must maintain surface water diversion ditches or structures in a serviceable condition and free of obstructions and debris at all times. Any significant damage must be reported to DEQ and repairs made as soon as possible.

### **9.10 Leachate prevention and management**

The permittee must operate the facility in a manner that minimizes leachate production to the maximum extent practicable. Leachate must be collected, removed and managed in a manner approved by DEQ.

### **9.11 Oil & Hazardous Material Spill Response**

Any spill of oil or hazardous material must be cleaned up immediately as described in the facility Operations Plan. In addition to notifying the appropriate DEQ office, if the spill is of a reportable quantity the permittee must immediately report the spill to the Oregon Emergency Response System at 1-800-452-0311.

Reportable quantities include:

- Any amount of oil spilled to waters of the state
- Oil spills on land in excess of 42 gallons
- 200 pounds (25 gallons) of pesticide residue
- Hazardous materials that are equal to, or greater than, the quantity listed in the [Code of Federal Regulations, 40 CFR Part 302](#) (List of Hazardous Substances and Reportable Quantities), and amendments adopted before July 1, 2002. For a complete list of hazardous materials required to be reported, please refer to [OAR 340-142-0050](#).

### **9.12 Unloading area**

Area(s) for unloading of solid waste must be clearly identified by signs, fences, barriers or other devices.

### **9.13 Public Access**

Public access to the facility must be controlled, as necessary, to prevent unauthorized entry and dumping.

### **9.14 Legal control of property**

The permittee must maintain legal control of the site property, including maintaining a current permit, contract or agreement that allows the operation of the facility if the site is not owned by the permittee.

### **9.15 Fire protection**

Arrangements must be made with the local fire control agency to immediately acquire their services when needed and adequate on-site fire control protection, as determined through the local fire control agency, must be provided. Unauthorized fires must be immediately extinguished and reported to DEQ within 24 hours.

### **9.16 Signs**

Signs must be posted at the facility, which are clearly visible and legible, providing the following information: Facility name, emergency telephone number, days and hours of operation, solid waste permit number and operator's address.

### **9.17 Vector Control**

The permittee must provide rodent, insect, bird and other vector control measures, as necessary, to prevent vector harborage.

### **9.18 Complaints**

The permittee must investigate and attempt to resolve all complaints it receives regarding facility operations by doing the following:

- Contact the complainant within 24 hours to discuss the problem
- Keep a record of the complaint, name and contact information (when possible), date complaint was received, date of facility response, description of facility response
- Immediately initiate procedures at the facility, when possible, to resolve the problem identified by the complainant.
- For odor, litter or dust complaints, the permittee must report to DEQ as soon as complaints are received at the facility from five different businesses and/or individuals about a given event or if an odor event lasts longer than 24 hours without resolution or mitigation.

### **9.19 Permit display**

The permittee must display this permit, or a photocopy thereof, where operating personnel can readily refer to it.



## Permit Evaluation and Overview Oakridge Transfer Station

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### Proposed Permit

The Department of Environmental Quality proposes to issue a solid waste permit renewal for Oakridge Transfer Station operated by Lane County Waste Management Division. The site is designed to collect and transfer municipal solid waste and recyclable materials for disposal and recycling. The current permit was issued on Dec. 26, 2006 and expired on Dec. 26, 2016. The permit is administratively extended until DEQ takes final action on the permit renewal application.

### Permit Writer

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### Permit Category

Solid waste disposal site – transfer station.

### Activities Covered Under this Permit

This permit authorizes the facility to accept and transfer solid waste as defined in Oregon Revised Statute 459.005 with limitations as defined in the permit.

### Activities Not Covered Under the Permit

Open burning and acceptance of certain waste as defined in the permit are not authorized. Any discharge to waters of the state or air emissions would be covered under other DEQ permits if applicable.

### Source Location

Oakridge Transfer Station  
48977 Kitson Springs Rd.  
Oakridge, OR 97463  
Lat. 43.7286 Long. -122.4479  
Lane County

### Coverage and Eligibility

The permit is effective on the date it is signed by DEQ and is proposed to expire on July 31, 2027. The permit is issued in accordance with the provisions of Oregon Revised Statute Chapter 459; Oregon Administrative Rules 340, Divisions 90, 93, 95, 96 and 97; and subject to the Land Use Compatibility Statement signed by Lane County Planning Dept. as referenced in the permit.

This type of permit is issued for facilities where activities involve similar operations, waste and monitoring conditions.

## **Introduction: What is DEQ Proposing?**

DEQ is proposing to renew the Solid Waste Disposal Site Permit for the Oakridge Transfer Station. Current operations would not change under the proposed renewal.

The permit allows the permittee to operate and maintain a solid waste transfer station in conformance with the requirements, limitations and conditions set forth in the permit.

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The permit also allows for the collection and transfer of approved materials to markets for recycling, energy recovery, composting or reuse.

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Conditions are contained in the permit and the operations plan requiring the transfer site to be operated in a manner that protects the environment and prevents nuisance conditions from developing.

## **Regulatory Context**

Oregon Revised Statute 459 and Oregon Administrative Rule 340 allow for establishing, operating and maintaining solid waste transfer stations to collect, consolidate and then transfer solid waste to permitted disposal sites. Also allowed are the collection, sorting, consolidation and shipping of recyclable materials to appropriate recycling markets.

## **Permit History**

Oakridge Transfer Station has been permitted by DEQ since January 1991. The current permit was issued on Dec. 26, 2006 and expired on Dec. 26, 2016. The permit is administratively extended until DEQ takes final action on the permit renewal application.

## **Compliance History**

The permittee submitted an Operations Plan that was approved by DEQ during this last permit cycle. The plan describes how the permittee will operate the facility to be in compliance with the conditions and limitations of the permit. The permittee has submitted an updated Operations Plan which DEQ has approved and will become an enforceable part of the permit upon issuance.

The most recent site inspection was conducted on April 4, 2017. Several violations of the permit were documented during the inspection including: Litter control, vector control and stormwater drainage being handled in a manner inconsistent with permit requirements. This resulted in a Warning Letter with an Opportunity to Correct (WLOC) issued by DEQ on April 28, 2017. The permittee developed and implemented a plan and schedule to correct these violations and has completed the actions and is now in compliance with the permit. No other violations have been documented and no formal enforcement actions have been taken by DEQ for this site during this 10 year permit cycle.

## **DEQ'S Recommendation Regarding the Permit Renewal**

I recommend putting the draft permit out for public notice and comment.