



Staging Operation Promotes Recycling

Plastic liners used at oil and gas drilling sites now have a chance for a second life.

Millions of pounds of waste plastic liners are removed from drilling sites each year.

Historically, this material has been disposed of in landfills. However, with recent recycling innovations, the plastic liner can be taken out of the waste stream and used to create composite construction materials.

In January, MAX received permission from the

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to stage used liner material at the Bulger facility. Once sufficient quantity of the liner is accumulated, it is shipped to off-site facilities for recycling. "This permit allows us to support a green alternative for a common energy industry waste," says MAX President Bill Spencer.



Above, operators at MAX prepare a staging location for used plastic liners from drilling sites. The staging location itself is required to be lined so that accumulated storm water can be collected and sent to the facility's permitted wastewater treatment plant. Liners stored at the site are destined for recycling.

Applications Underway for Expansion Projects

As discussed at a public meeting last June at the Slovan VFW, and in the fall issue of the *MAX Messenger*, plans are underway to expand operations at the Bulger facility.

The proposed projects involve constructing a new residual waste landfill and building a waste treatment operation on the north central segment facility property in Smith Township.

The proposed landfill, known as Landfill 3, would comprise an approximate 21-acre area of the facility property in Smith Township. This location is the same area that had been approved for a landfill by the DEP in 1991 for a landfill; however, that planned landfill had never been constructed.

Proposed Landfill

As a facility that can accept a broad range of non-hazardous industrial, construction and demolition wastes, the landfill would adhere to DEP's Class 1 criteria, the most restrictive of the Department's design standards. In addition to a groundwater

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Mark Your Calendars! MAX Earth Day Tire Recycling

Sunday, April 26, 2015, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MAX's neighborhood tire collection event, held annually in recognition of Earth Day, is scheduled for Sunday, April 26, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Due to the rising cost of tire recycling, we ask that each resident bring a maximum of eight tires to our facility. Additional tires may be accepted, but for a fee of \$5.00 per tire (cash only, please).

The event is open to residents in Bulger and immediately surrounding areas for the recycling of passenger car and light-truck tires (no commercial operators, please). The drop-off location is at MAX's facility at 200 MAX Drive in Bulger (off of Bulger-Candor Road). Light refreshments will be provided.

Open House for MAX Information Repository Heritage Library, Thursday, April 30, 2015, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

MAX is hosting an open house at the Heritage Public Library on Fourth Street in McDonald, PA on Thursday, April 30, 2015, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The purpose of the open house is to provide information on upcoming applications for a residual waste landfill and a waste treatment operation at the facility, as well as to introduce residents to the library's information repository for the proposed projects.

The open house will present information shared at MAX's public meeting last June at the Slovan VFW. Additionally, MAX project managers will be on hand to discuss the projects and answer questions. Light refreshments will be provided.

Anyone requiring special accommodations or wishing to contact MAX in advance of the meeting should call Carl Spadaro, Environmental General Manager, at **(412) 445-9789** or email him at cspadaro@maxenvironmental.com.



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Applications Underway

monitoring system, Class 1 standards require a double liner system and a leachate collection and treatment facility.

Proposed Waste Treatment Operation

Waste treatment operations would be located immediately north of Landfill 3. Wastes treated at the facility would be either solidified through mixing with dryer materials, stabilized to chemically bind metals so that they don't leach, adjusted to a proper pH or treated through a combination of these processes.

Any waste considered hazardous because of metal content or pH would be treated to remove

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hazardous characteristics before disposal in Landfill 3.

Not all wastes coming to the facility would require treatment.

MAX will be submitting separate applications for the projects to the DEP. Both sets of applications will require multiple submissions to the DEP. To facilitate public review and comment opportunities, MAX has created information repositories at the Heritage Public Library and Smith Township office.

To submit comments or questions to DEP, contact:

PA DEP Bureau of Waste Management
400 Waterfront Drive, Pgh., PA 15222
(412) 442-4125

Visit our Application Information Repositories

MAX has established information repositories at the Heritage Public Library and the Smith Township administration office.

The repositories contain all application-related documents issued by MAX and DEP, as well as information shared by MAX and DEP at public meetings and hearings.

Heritage Public Library

52 Fourth Street
McDonald, PA 15057
(724) 926-8400

Monday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Smith Township Administration Office

1848 Smith Township State Road
Slovan, PA 15078
(724) 947-9456
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Best of Luck for a Great Season!

MAX wishes the Burgettstown T-ball, as well as all local baseball and softball teams, the best of luck for a successful and safe sports season.

