# At MAX, Environmental Preservation is Our Business

#### Company Sale Brings New Investment, Management

In February, MAX Environmental Technologies, Inc. was acquired by Altus Capital Partners. Bob Shawver is the new President and CEO.

"I'm delighted to have the opportunity to lead MAX in its next phase of growth as a premier provider of environmental and waste management solutions," says Shawver.

The sale provided a substantial investment in MAX, which will quicken the pace of current infrastructure improvements and lay the groundwork for continued growth.

Bill Follett, who joined MAX as Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, says a number of infrastructure projects at MAX's Yukon and Bulger facilities were accelerated within days of the sale.

"With our new management team in place, the additional funding and the help of our experienced employees, MAX has made substantial strides in positioning the company for future success while ensuring environmental compliance."

Shawver and Follett bring a wealth of experience in waste industry operations to MAX, having worked primarily for private waste handling companies and consulting firms throughout their professional careers.

#### **Re-Closure Projects Proceed to Next Phase**

With work about 70 percent complete, the re-closure project for waste disposal areas known as Impoundments 1 and 1A is proceeding to the next phase this spring. The impoundments are being capped under an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

MAX uses waste as construction fill to raise the surface grades of the disposal areas. Once the grades are of adequate height, individual areas are capped and then covered with soil and vegetation. The re-closure decreases the amount of leachate created by promoting runoff of rainwater and snowmelt, rather than allowing it to seep into the waste site.

The cap system adds another layer of environmental protection to the existing underground leachate collection system and series of groundwater monitoring wells that have been in place at the site since the 1980s.

Questions about the re-closure projects may be directed to Carl Spadaro at (412) 445-9789 or cspadaro@maxenvironmental.com.

### A message from MAX President Bob Shawver



Bob Shawver | President & CEO

On February 1, 2017, I became the new President and CEO of MAX Environmental Technologies.

I am thrilled to have the opportunity to apply at MAX, my 25 years of experience safely handling environmentally sensitive materials for both large and small companies.

My involvement has spanned all aspects of the environmental industry including the proper handling, secure transport, and ultimate safe and secure disposition of a wide range of environmentally sensitive materials. Safety and good environmental practices will always be our "Number One" priority at MAX.

We will work hard to deliver excellent customer service and be a positive influence in our surrounding local communities.

By regularly spending time meeting employees, customers, and members of the local community, I can gather important information that will be valuable guiding our management team and valued employees towards making MAX a premier environmental business.

We look forward to sharing our new direction and to providing opportunities for the community and our employees as we grow.

# Work on Landfill 3 Application Resumes; Public Meetings Planned

Beginning in February, MAX resumed work to plan for a new residual waste landfill and waste treatment operation at the Bulger facility. The work had largely been put on hold following the completion of environmental site assessment work in early 2016. While engineering firms continue work on initial application materials for the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, MAX is planning for public meetings to be held this spring and summer to obtain input on the project.

"The meetings will allow us to bring our neighbors and other interested parties up to speed on the project," says Environmental General Manager Carl Spadaro. Information gathered at the meetings will supplement comments and questions from public meetings held in 2014 and 2015. The meetings will be announced in the Observer-Reporter as well as through individual mailings to local residents and other stakeholders on the project mailing list. A Landfill 3 project fact sheet may be accessed on MAX's website www.maxenvironmental.com by selecting "Our Facilities" > "Bulger Facility." Questions may be directed to Carl Spadaro at (412) 445-9789 or cspadaro@maxenvironmental.com.

#### MAX Environmental Earth Day Recycling Event



MAX is expanding this year's tire recycling event to include the collection of all unwanted electronics. We also look forward to meeting with more of our local community during this event!

Residents from Bulger and surrounding areas are invited to attend MAX's community recycling event on Saturday, April 22, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at MAX's Bulger facility (200 MAX Drive, Bulger, PA 15019; for GPS users, 70 Bulger-Candor Road may be used as a point of reference). Light refreshments will be provided. The electronics collection is being managed in coordination with Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling of Latrobe, which has assisted with past Washington County e-waste collection programs.

According to Environmental General Manager Carl Spadaro, MAX's Yukon facility began hosting e-waste recycling events this year under an agreement with Westmoreland Cleanways. "Managing unwanted electronics has become as great if not greater issue than tires, so extending the e-waste program to both host communities made sense," he says.

All types of electronics, except for appliances, will be accepted. TVs may be any size but must be intact; stripped glass tubes cannot be accepted. "Otherwise, anything with a cord can be accepted for recycling." says Ellen Keefe, Director of Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling. Up to eight unwanted tires from passenger cars and light-trucks will be accepted from each resident. Tires from commercial operators cannot be accepted. For questions related to the recycling event, contact Carl Spadaro, Environmental General Manager, at: (412) 445-9789 or by email: cspadaro@ maxenvironmental.com. For more information on electronics recycling or Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling, please visit: www.westmorelandcleanways.org.

# Mark Your Calendars! Celebrate Earth Day at Heritage Library Family Night!

Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling, the Pennsylvania nonprofit organization helping to plan the community e-waste recycling event at MAX on April 22, will be presenting a recycling and environmental stewardship program at the Heritage library in McDonald on Wednesday, April 19th from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

All residents and organizations are welcome to attend, in addition to anyone with questions about the upcoming community e-waste recycling event at MAX. Light refreshments will be served. Separate Earth Day activities will be available for young children. Visit Heritage Library's Facebook page or <a href="https://www.washlibs.org/">www.washlibs.org/</a> heritage. Call (724) 926-8400 to reserve your spot!

## Temporary Route Required for Southern Beltway Project

With the scheduled closure of Beech Hollow Road this May as part of the Pa Turnpike Southern Beltway construction project, MAX will be required to provide a temporary alternate route to the Bulger facility. MAX has been working with PennDOT to secure approval of an alternate route that largely follows the current Quicksilver Road detour route through Midway.



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