

BULGER IMPOUNDMENTS UPDATE

Care Will Continue for Closed Impoundments

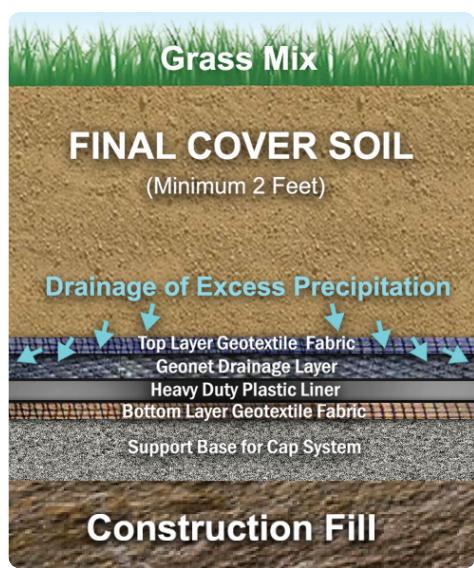
Work to re-close two former waste impoundments at the Bulger facility will be complete by the end of this summer. At that point, regular inspections and maintenance of the areas will become part the facility's routine upkeep.

"As MAX enters into a post-closure care period for the Bulger facility, there will be routine inspections of the closed waste impoundments to ensure that the cap and cover systems remain intact," says Environmental Manager Carl Spadaro.

The cap systems were installed in phases after the impoundment areas were built up to promote water runoff. Layered on top of the construction fill are a support base, heavy duty liner, drainage system and two feet of cover soil with vegetation.



Two feet of clean cover soil is being placed over the cap on a former impoundment reclosed under an agreement with the DEP.



The final cap systems prevent rain and snowmelt from draining into waste materials

The cap systems not only isolate buried waste from people and wildlife, but also serve to prevent soil erosion and blend the areas into the surrounding landscape.

The cap systems also protect groundwater by keeping rain and snowmelt from soaking down into buried waste. Any water that makes it through the plant and soil layer is drained before reaching the cap liner.

Continued testing has shown no groundwater impacts beyond MAX's property and continued improvement of groundwater quality below the two former

impoundments. Monitoring by a third-party contractor, as well as collection and treatment of water from around the base of the impoundments, will continue as part of post-closure care, says Spadaro.

More than 40 water monitoring points (including groundwater and surface water) are tested as part of the facility's routine monitoring program. These include wells recently installed to assess groundwater quality and movement in the vicinity of planned Landfill 3.



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MAX Earth Day Tire and Electronics Recycling Event

**Saturday, April 22
9 a.m. - Noon**

In honor of Earth Day, MAX invites residents from Yukon and surrounding areas to drop off unwanted electronics and a limited number of tires on Saturday, April 22, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to noon, at MAX's Bulger facility (200 MAX Drive, Bulger, PA, 15019).

Local residents (no commercial operators, please) can bring up to eight passenger car or light truck tires. MAX notes that large tractor tires cannot be accepted. MAX will work with Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling in managing the materials collected



at the event. "We are happy to partner again with MAX Environmental in the coordination of the electronics collection," said Mike Skapura, Executive Director of Westmoreland Cleanways. "With the exception of appliances, all electronics will be accepted – including TV's of any size, as long as they are not smashed or broken. If it has an electrical

cord, we can take it!" For questions related to the recycling event, contact Carl Spadaro, Environmental Manager, at 412-445-9789 or cspadaro@maxenvironmental.com. For more information about electronics recycling or Westmoreland Cleanways and Recycling, visit www.westmorelandcleanways.org.

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