

# Proposed Expansion of the Greenpointe Class 2 Landfill PUBLIC MEETING



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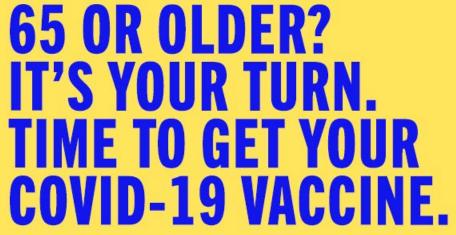


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#### Agenda

- Gathering Time & Instructions for Participating Remotely
- Introductions & Opening Remarks
- Overview of Proposed Expansion
- Question and Answer Session
- Closing Remarks
- Meeting Adjourned



# **Tonight's Topics**

- General Information
- Permitting Process
- Buffer and Design Requirements
- Acceptable and Unacceptable Wastes
- Groundwater Monitoring
- Hydrogen Sulfide
- Next Steps
- Questions Received During Registration



#### **General Information**

DHEC's Solid Waste Program permits 3 types of landfills:

- Class 1 Landfills Land-clearing debris only
- Class 2 Landfills Construction and Demolition Debris
- Class 3 Landfills Municipal Solid Waste

Site: Greenpointe Class 2 Landfill

Applicant: Wasteco, Inc.

Site address: 500 Hamlin Road, Easley, SC

This site is currently permitted as a Class 2 Landfill and is registered as a Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling facility.



#### **Greenpointe Class 2 Landfill**

	<b>Currently Permitted</b>	Proposed Expansion
Footprint	22 Acres	48 Acres
Storage Capacity	1,520,000 cubic yards (553,535 as of 2020)	2,414,079 cubic yards (1,860,544 cu yds remaining)
Maximum Elevation	900 Feet 914 Feet (Unit 1) 885 Feet (Unit 2)	
Annual Disposal Rate	57,000 tons per year (FY2020 actual disposal = 51,342 Tons)	57,000 tons per year



#### **Permitting Process**

Phase 1: Siting the landfill

August 15, 2017	Phase 1 documents received
December 6, 2017	Notice of Draft Determination
January 18, 2018	Phase 1 approved

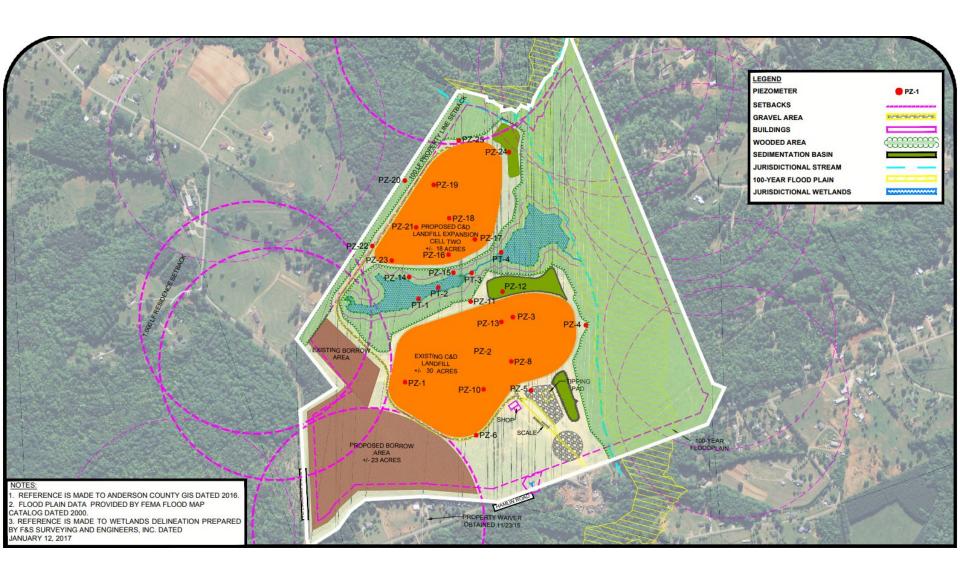
Phase 2: Technical application and review

October 2019	Technical Application Received
November 12, 2020	Notice of Draft Permit
February 18, 2021	Public Meeting
March 5, 2021	Closing of the Comment Period



#### Phase 1: Siting the Landfill Expansion

- Maximum footprint for the expansion is established based on:
  - Demonstration of Need
  - Consistency with the Solid Waste Management Plan
  - Consistency with zoning
  - 1,000-foot buffer to residences, schools, churches, hospitals, day cares, and public parks
- Approved in 2018

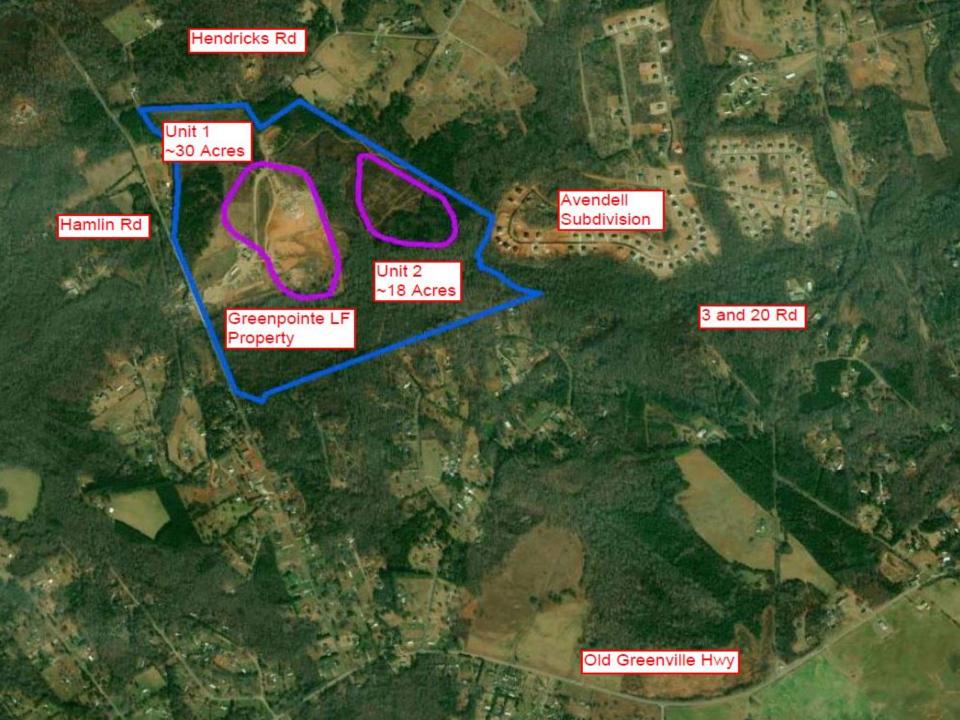




#### Phase 2: Buffer Requirements

#### The proposed footprint is required to be:

- 1,000 feet from residences, schools, churches, hospitals, day-cares, and public parks (established in Phase 1)
- 200 feet from any surface water
- 100 feet from property line
- 100 feet from any drinking water well
- 50 feet from any utility easement/rights-of-way
- 50 feet from wetlands





## Phase 2: Design Requirements

- Base grade of landfill must be at least 2 feet above the groundwater table
- Must include a Stormwater System that can control runoff that could be generated by 25-yr, 24-hr storm event
  - · During active life and post-closure period of the landfill

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### Class 2 Acceptable Wastes

#### Includes (but not limited to):

- Asphalt, concrete, bricks, and C&D debris
- Land-clearing Debris and Wood
- Box Springs and Mattresses
- Packaging Materials
- Glass
- Shingles











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### Class 2 Unacceptable Wastes

#### Includes (but not limited to):

- PCBs
- Petroleum Contaminated Waste







Hazardous Waste

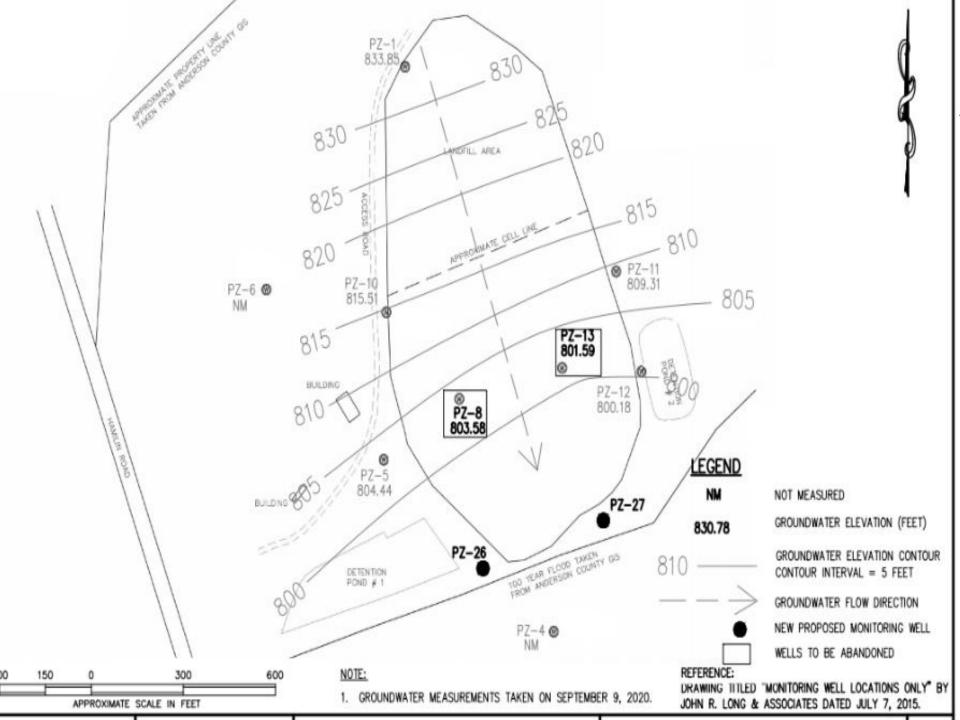


Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Household Trash



# **Groundwater Monitoring**

- 9 Groundwater Monitoring Wells
  - 7 wells are part of the active monitoring network
- Required to sample the wells and submit analytical data to DHEC twice a year
- DHEC reviews the report and provides comments
- No contaminants have been found above a groundwater protection standard
  - Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)
  - Regional Screening Level (RSL)
  - Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)





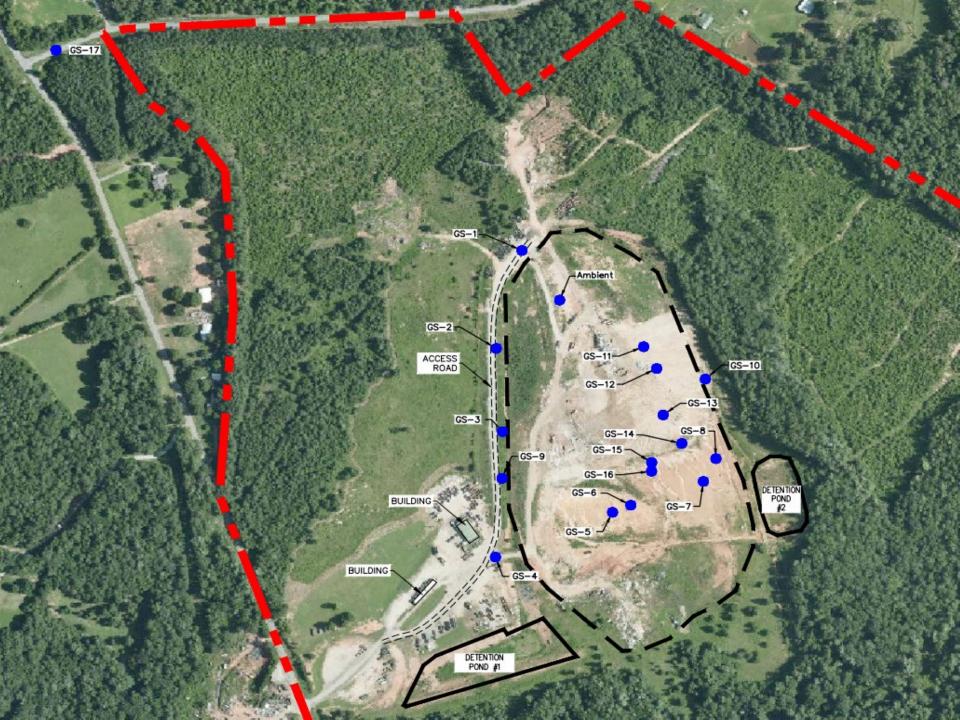
# Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S)

- Flammable, colorless gas that smells like rotten eggs
- Created when organic matter and sheetrock break down and can increase when these materials are crushed, compacted or have contact with rainwater
- Levels near landfills can change throughout the day
  - Usually highest at night or early morning when there is less wind
  - Periods of high rainfall also increase levels of hydrogen sulfide
- People usually can smell H<sub>2</sub>S at low concentrations ranging from 0.0005 to 0.3 parts per million (ppm).
  - OSHA limit for General Industry workers is 20 ppm.
- Class 2 Landfills are not required to monitor for H<sub>2</sub>S



#### Responding to Odor Concerns

- Routine inspections of the facility to ensure cover is applied frequently using proper soils, proper slopes are maintained, and the size of the working face is monitored
- Facility has agreed to use stockpiled dirt to cover the top of the landfill more frequently
- DHEC required the facility to conduct an H<sub>2</sub>S Assessment in January 2021
  - H<sub>2</sub>S was not detected above 1 ppm
- DHEC has increased surveillance around the landfill to evaluate odors in the area





# **Next Steps**

- DHEC will continue to inspect the landfill and investigate calls/emails about odors and other concerns
- DHEC is accepting comments through March 5, 2021
- DHEC will review all comments received
- DHEC will make a final decision and provide a written response to all comments
  - Final decision date begins 15-day appeal period



#### **How to Comment**

Submit comments by mail or email through

March 5, 2021 to:

Justin Koon
DHEC/BLWM
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201
koonjt@dhec.sc.gov

Application and draft permit can be found at:

www.scdhec.gov/Greenpointe



#### **DHEC Contacts**

#### **Central Office**

Solid Waste Permitting

Attn: **Brandon Phillips** 

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#### **Landfill Contact**

Wasteco, Inc Greenpointe Class 2 Landfill

> **864-233-0100** 7am – 5pm M-F



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# Questions Received During Registration

- Odors
- Groundwater Quality
- Wetlands
- Inspection Frequency
- Environmental Impacts
- Operating Hours

- Road Conditions
  - Speed, Potholes, Mud, Trash, Number of Vehicles
- Noise
- Property Values
- Source Reduction and/or Recycling



#### **Widher Question & Answer Session**



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