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Subject: FW: SOP Suspension for COVID-19, Dallas, Texas
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Update on McCommas Bluff.

OOW denied their request.

Randy

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OOW responded this morning with a denial.

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Good morning, Richard.

TCEQ is unable to approve this request. An expansion of the active working face or to waive cover requirements would increase the potential for odors. Active face limitations and cover requirements are crucial to prevent the creation of nuisance conditions.

We suggest notifying your citizens that personal drop-off wait times will be longer due to increased customer/safety issues; especially in a time with the real possibility of widespread landfill staff absenteeism.

Thank you.

From: Akin, Richard <richard.akin@dallascityhall.com>
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Hello Steve,

I wanted to start by thanking you for your quick response and approval of the recent request to suspend portions of the transfer station permits.

However, with the recent Covid-19 pandemic, there is a real possibility of widespread landfill staff absentees. Also the Department of Sanitation is considered an essential department so we must remain open we must take additional precautions to maintain safe "Social Distance", I am requesting an emergency authorization to document suspension of the following parts of the McCommas Bluff Landfill (MSW# 62). Permit related to:

- Size of our working face and cover.

Our Site Operating Permit states:

Section 4

Part 4.2 Unloading of Waste: The working face unloading area shall be a maximum of 300 feet by 100 feet.

Part 4.21.2 Daily Cover: At the end of each working day, at least once every 24 hours, at least 6 inches of soil cover material that has not previously mixed with garbage, rubbish, or other solid waste, or an approved ADC material, will be placed over solid waste areas.

Part 4.21.3 Weekly Cover: Soil is used as weekly cover over Type IV fill areas; the minimum thickness will be 6 inches.

We are not anticipating increase in our tonnages but, we have seen a large increase in small customers (hand unloads). This is creating a problem with "Social Distancing" at the working face and a reduction in customer service. I would like to increase the unloading area to 400 feet by 200 feet. This will allow us to provide greater separation between customers. Along with greater separation I anticipate there could be daily cover issues and weekly cover issues. While we will make every effort to make cover per our permit, we may slip a little if staff levels drop in our equipment operators.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the suspension of these parts of our SOP.

Thanks,



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