

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A SITE
FOR A NEW POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY**

Please take notice that on the 30th day of September, 2020, an Application for Site Location Approval for a “Pollution Control Facility” as defined by Section 3.330 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (the “Act”), consisting of a “Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Unit” (as defined by Section 3.285 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act) was filed with the Effingham County Clerk by Effingham Crossroads Landfill, LLC (“Effingham Crossroads”) whose address is 1713 South Willow Street, Effingham, Illinois 62401. (Hereafter, the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Unit shall be referred to in this Notice as the “Landfill”).

In conjunction with the same, please take further notice that a Public Hearing consistent with 415 ILCS 5/39.2(d), as well as Section 6 of the Effingham County Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance (the “Siting Ordinance”) will be held regarding said Application beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the 7th day of January, 2021, at the Thelma Keller Convention Center, 1202 North Keller Drive, Effingham, Illinois 62401 and continuing to Friday, January 8, 2021 at such same location if necessary. Moreover, additional hearing dates will be scheduled and conducted as may be needed, and will be announced at the close of each hearing day until the Public Hearing is complete as determined by the Hearing Officer appointed to preside over this matter.

Members of the public may speak and present their comments at the Public Hearing and/or do so in writing. However, in order to formally participate in the Hearing with the right to, among other things, be represented by an attorney, offer evidence and present witnesses, a person must file an appearance as a Public Participant with the County Clerk, and also file such other documents with the County Clerk as may be necessary to meet various requirements included in the Siting Ordinance. A copy of the Siting Ordinance may be obtained from the Effingham County Clerk. The County Clerk may be reached at (217) 342-6535, as well as by visiting the website for the County Clerk’s Office.

Due to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic, in the interest of public health, safety and welfare, remote access to this Hearing will be available via internet and telephone to both Public Participants (as defined by the Siting Statute), as well as other members of the interested public who may wish to view/listen and/or comment. Remote participation details via the internet or telephone will be included at the Effingham County website, and can be accessed there by visiting a posted reference to the “Effingham Crossroads Siting Hearing”.

Appropriate social distancing measures will be employed at the in-person Hearing to be held at the Thelma Keller Convention Center on the dates noted above.

Please take further notice that copies of the Siting Application and the associated public record being developed in this Siting Process are available for review by the public in the Effingham County Clerk’s Office at 101 North 4th Street, Effingham, IL 62401, copies of which may be obtained by paying reasonable costs of reproduction of the same. Additional details concerning the obligations of Public Participants, as well as members of the interested public who wish to offer public comment during the course of the Public Hearing are included in the Siting Ordinance.

In addition, any person may file written comment concerning the appropriateness of the proposed site for its intended purpose, and the County Board will consider each such comment which is either physically received or postmarked no later than thirty (30) days after the date of the last Public Hearing session.

Dated this 16th day of December, 2020



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