

Comments - Environmental Permit Review	
Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Division Comments	
Region D	
Applicant's Name: Waste Management Disposal Services of Maine, Inc. (WMDSM)	
Project #: S-010735-WD-YB-N	Regulatory Agency: MDEP
Project Type: Crossroads Landfill Phase 14 expansion	Project Manager: Linda Butler
Project Location	
Town: Norridgewock	County: Somerset
Reviewing Biologist(s): Chuck Hulsey, Sarah Boyden, John Perry, Ryan Robicheau	

After review of the application, consideration of the proposal's probable effects on the environment, and pursuant to our Agency's programs and responsibilities, we provide the following comments:

I. Project Description

WMDSM is proposing to expand the existing Crossroads Landfill in Norridgewock. WMDSM has proposed the Phase 14 project to ensure that the State's long-term disposal capacity needs are met without interruption of service to its customers.

Phase 14 will be located east of the current landfill facilities on land that is contiguous to the existing facility. Development of Phase 14 is anticipated to include the following aspects: (i) excavation of topsoil and designated amounts of underlying soils; (ii) construction of a liner system; (iii) construction of perimeter berms and an access road; (iv) construction of landfill gas and leachate transfer pipes to the existing site landfill gas and leachate management systems; and (v) construction of a stormwater management system including stormwater detention basins.

II. Comments/Recommended Considerations or Conditions

Wildlife Considerations

The Phase 14 project unavoidably impacts a mapped Deer Wintering Area (DWA). To mitigate for impacts to the DWA, MDIFW recommended that compensation monies to be used to mitigate for Phase 14 wetland impacts via the In-Lieu Fee Program be instead used to purchase a parcel that abuts MDIFW's Chesterville Wildlife Management Area. Once finalized, the mitigation parcel will be incorporated into the Chesterville Wildlife Management Area and is sufficient to address Phase 14 impacts to the DWA.

Fisheries Considerations

One proposed intermittent stream crossing will be sized to pass aquatic organisms. Minimal impacts to fisheries are anticipated.