



AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER D'ANDREA WALKER APPOINTED BALTIMORE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



On April 15th, the Baltimore County Council unanimously approved the appointment of

D'Andrea Walker, Authority Member Representative, as the Baltimore County Administrative Officer (CAO). The CAO is the highest-ranking appointed position for the Baltimore County government. As CAO, Ms. Walker is responsible for directing the County's day-to-day operations. Before this appointment, Ms. Walker served as Director of the Baltimore County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT). According to an interview Ms. Walker did with WBAL, during her tenure as DPWT Director, the County improved services, brought back residential bulk trash collection, announced plans to extend the life of the County's landfill and launched the Towson Loop.

In 2021, while serving as Acting Director of DPWT, Ms. Walker was appointed by Governor Larry Hogan to represent Baltimore County on the Authority Board. Ms. Walker's portfolio included five main business units, including Highways, Utilities, Engineering and Construction, Solid Waste Management, and



Transportation. Before coming to Baltimore County, Ms. Walker served as Associate Director for Transportation in Prince George's County and served as Deputy Administrator and Chief Administrative Officer of the Maryland Transit Administration. During the interview with WBAL, about her recent appointment, Ms. Walker thanked Baltimore County Executive Olszewski for his confidence in her and said that the appointment is an incredible honor. "For nearly three decades, I have been a proud public servant and I look forward to continuing to serve the residents of Baltimore County in this new role for years to come," said Walker.

The Authority congratulates D'Andrea Walker on her new appointment and thanks her for her valuable contributions while serving as an Authority Member Representative.

MRN/SWANA CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR JUNE

MRN/SWANA Solid Waste & Recycling Conference

Monday, June 10, 2024
8am -5:30pm
Turf Valley Conference Center

The Annual MRN/SWANA Solid Waste and Recycling Conference will take place at the Turf Valley Conference Center this year on June 10. There will be panel discussions and keynote speakers addressing the following topics:

- Batteries in the Waste Stream
- PFAS
- Legislative Updates (EPR, E-Cycling, Latex Paint, and more)
- Landfill Air Emissions Controls
- Methane Measurement Strategies
- Education and Outreach
- Hazardous Waste
- EPA Grants
- Food Waste Collection

For more information and to register for the 2024 Annual Conference go to: https://mrn.clubexpress.com/con-tent.aspx?page_id=4008&club_id=685083&item_id=2021215

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ADVANCES IN SUSTAINABLE REMEDIATION PRACTICES UNFOLDING WITH THE GUDE LANDFILL PROJECT

The Authority continues to provide regular progress updates about the Gude Remediation project at the site of the closed Gude Landfill. This initiative will ultimately revitalize the landscape into an environmental and recreational asset for the community. As the project continues, a myriad of accomplishments and advancements are unfolding, showcasing the County and the Authority's dedication to sustainable remediation practices.

As discussed in the last edition of WasteWatch, the end of 2023 saw the completion of geosynthetic lining and sediment and erosion control installation in Phases I, II, and III. LEMS, an erosion and sediment control installer, stabilized the topsoil cover with seeding and vegetative growth. Landfill gas (LFG) pipe work continued in Phase III through the first quarter of 2024 as winter weather and spring storms caused delays. In Phase IV, Carlson Environmental Consultants (CEC), the contractor for LFG Operations and Maintenance, finished drilling all remaining LFG extraction wells and condensate

drains. The new wells will collect methane gas to mitigate odors. Late winter snowmelt and early spring rainwater filtered through the waste and soil in the Sediment Basin No. 1 in Phase IV. The resultant leachate continued to be pumped and hauled throughout the first part of the year. The crew repaired an area of leachate seepage breakthrough in Phase VI after some particularly heavy rain events.

Allan Myers excavated waste and performed grading in Phase V from the end of January through the end of March to prepare the ground for geotextile placement. The contractors also prepared Phase VI for waste excavation and regrading. First, they striped the cover soil. Then they removed existing storm drains and LFG Piping. These areas were temporarily stabilized as the work progressed to effectively minimize erosion and runoff from the disturbed soil.

The County continues to update the local community regularly on the project's progress through direct communications, and files on the County's project webpage. For more

information, please contact the Authority or visit the County's project website at <https://www.montgomery-countymd.gov/DEP/trash-recycling/facilities/gude-landfill/remediation-project.html>



Phase III after geosynthetic liner placement and Phase V before disturbance from October 2023



Phase III with stabilized soil and Phase V after waste excavation and grading from April 2024



Stabilized slopes of Phases I-III green as the vegetation grows and bright green LFG piping is installed

MANY THANKS FROM THE AUTHORITY FOR ALL WHO SUBMITTED ANNUAL RECYCLING REPORTS!

The Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority thanks these businesses and institutions for submitting their Maryland Recycling Act (MRA) Recycling Reports for 2023. This valuable information is used by the Member Jurisdictions as they prepare their annual MRA reporting to the State:

Advance Auto Parts – Micah Thompson

Aldi – Brittney Koops

All Shred – Becky Kimble

Clean Harbors – Simantini Chakraborty

Clorox – Lorraine Hannah

Conserveit – Stepheny Trumpower

Darling Ingredients

(formerly **Valley Proteins**) – Barbara Seiser

Delhaize/Food Lion – CorieAnn Gillen

Frito Lay – Tyson Gilbertson

Georgetown Paper – Manuel Perez

Hanna Paper/Sustana – Tim Shiflett

Home Depot – Katelynn Loring

Interstate Batteries – Deb Degasperi

Lowes – Ryan Neidick,

Corina Mayberry, and Gary Holman

MOPAC – Rachael Reimel

Republic – Jessi Lenz

Safeway/Albertsons – Priscilla Raffetto

Soil Safe – Nicholas Bartlinski

Staples – Amanda Paul

Target – Rebecca Xiong

Trex – Emily Whitacre

Walmart – Rachel Fields

Wawa – Andrew Wheeler

Weis – Derrek Reitz

Thank you!

NEW LITTER ABATEMENT SERVICE TO START AT BALTIMORE CITY SANITATION YARDS

The Authority has awarded a contract on behalf of the City of Baltimore to Carter Landscaping LLC of Baltimore to assist the City's Bureau of Solid Waste with litter pickup service at four of its sanitation yards. The contract will allow the City to be proactive in addressing litter accumulation at its sites, which tends to be a natural hazard and a compliance challenge for operators of solid waste facilities. The private contract will allow prompt cleanup of sites while not pulling City labor

resources from other priority solid waste duties throughout the City.

Carter Landscaping has extensive experience in landscaping and facility maintenance, including litter cleanup and other greening activities. The business is registered with the City as a Minority Business Enterprise, so the contract will support MBE/WBE participation goal attainment.



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The annual event will be hosted by
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