

# **WASTEWATCH**



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### AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVE D'ANDREA WALKER BECOMES A TRAILBLAZER IN BALTIMORE COUNTY

uthority Member Representative, D'Andrea Walker was sworn in on February 6, 2023 as the first

African American woman to serve as the director of the Baltimore County Department of Public Works and Transportation. She had been appointed by Governor Larry Hogan to represent Baltimore County on the Authority Board in 2021, while serving as Acting Director of the Department. As reported in the Summer 2021, issue of WasteWatch, Ms. Walker's portfolio includes five main business units, including Highways, Utilities, Engineering and Construction, Solid Waste Management, and Transportation. She also is responsible for implementing the new Towson Circulator service, the first fixed

route service of its kind in
Baltimore County. 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.

In a recent report on WBAL TV 11, Ms. Walker said, "I'm from the projects in Houston, Texas. This is a long way from the projects, and I hope that other little girls see that it's possible to run an agency with over 1,000 people as an African American female." She also said that she is humbled by her appointment and will serve Baltimore County residents as someone they can trust and count on.

The Authority is happy to have her on the Board of Member Representatives and looks forward to continuing to work with her in her newly official capacity as Director of the Baltimore County Department of Public Works and Transportation.



D'Andrea Walker Director of the Baltimore County Department of Public Works and Transportation

## THE AUTHORITY CONTINUES TO MANAGE THREE GUDE REMEDIATION PROJECT CONTRACTS FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Contract 1 – Design Engineer: EA Engineering completed the design process and the coordination of regulatory reviews in the summer of 2021. The Design Engineer continues to review Requests for Information and Submittals from a design and permitting perspective throughout the construction of the Corrective Measures.

**Contract 2 – Construction Management Engineer:** 

SCS Engineers is responsible for constructability reviews of the design/construction documents as well as providing management,

oversight, and inspection services throughout the construction of the Corrective Measures.

Contract 3 – General Contractor:

Allan Myers is responsible for the construction of the approved design and permitted Corrective Measures.

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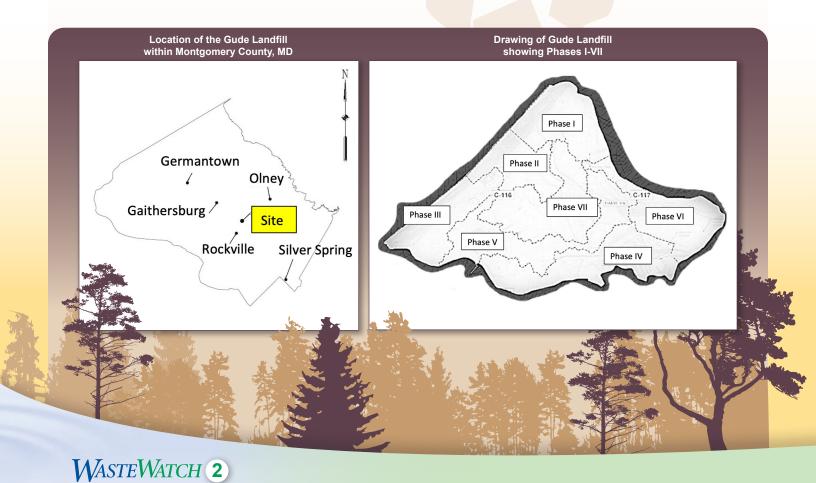
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Since the last update in Fall 2022, much has occurred at the Gude Landfill Remediation project site in Montgomery County. Throughout October and November 2022, representatives from each stakeholder attended a series of Pre-Construction Walks to review the site on foot and familiarize themselves with the phasing of the physical landscape before any demolition or disturbance. Allan Myers completed the stakeout of the limit of disturbance and conservation easement areas throughout Phases I and II (see drawing below) by November 2022.

Subsequently, representatives from Montgomery County's Department of Permitting Services (DPS) granted approval for Allan Myers to begin to put Sediment and Erosion controls in place, in early December. A Senior Forest Conservation Inspector from Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) also approved the conservation easement marker installation, and an expert arborist assisted with marking trees for root pruning. Root pruning involves severing the roots of a tree, all the way around the tree's circumference at the drip line in order to minimize damage to the tree's root system during construction. After final inspection approvals, Allan Myers began preliminary demolition, clearing, and grubbing work for Phase 1, which involved clearing existing structures, trees and other brush clearings per the approved plans for the project.

On December 20, 2022,
Montgomery County coordinated
a public, virtual Town Hall prior
to the formal kick-off of construction.
Allan Myers presented the
construction schedule for the
project, with primary focus on
the northwest area. Noise and odor
controls as well as working hours
were among the topics discussed.

Throughout January, Allan Myers completed the clearing and grubbing work for Phases 1 and 2, and began installation of sediment and erosion controls in Phase I. The sediment and erosion controls used included Smart fence, orange construction fence, filter logs, and mountable berms.



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Meanwhile, the workers hauled and stockpiled soil for future use. Allan Myers also stored an impressive amount of geomembrane liners and geotextiles on an asphalt pad in the Phase 5 Region. Ongoing leachate removal via pumping and transportation to Oaks Landfill and other third-party sites began in January.

The contract for Landfill Gas (LFG) Collection System Operation and Management services at Gude Landfill Well Field and Flare Station transitioned from the Authority's contractor to Allan Myers in February 2023.

During the end of February into March, contractors installed odor control measures along Phases I and II, such as granular sleeves with odor absorbing materials and a misting system. Additionally, Phase I waste excavation began on the north slope working from the top of the slope downwards. Any exposed waste gets covered daily. As winter ends, construction on Sediment Basin No. 1 is beginning in preparation for proper erosion and sediment control throughout later phases of the project. The installation of perimeter controls in Phase IV and Phase VII is also beginning now that Limit of Disturbance stakeout is wrapping up.

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://montgomerycountymd.gov/sws/facilities/gude/remediation-project.html.



Panoramic images demonstrating the transformation of Phase I along the northwestern edge of Gude Landfill from top to bottom November 16, 2022, January 20, 2023, and February 24, 2023



## EARTH DAY CELEBRATIONS TO TAKE PLACE THROUGHOUT THE AUTHORITY'S MEMBER JURISDICTIONS

Earth Day is an annual, international event celebrated on April 22. On Earth Day, individuals and communities participate in a wide variety of environmental activities. First held on April 22, 1970, the world celebrates its 53rd Earth Day this year. Please look below to find a sample of Earth Day events being hosted by the Authority's Member Jurisdictions:



#### **Anne Arundel County**

Earth Day at the Library Saturday, April 22, 2023 10am – 12pm Odenton Library 1325 Annapolis Road Odenton, MD 21113

Celebrate Earth Day with the Library, Anne Arundel Department of Public Works, and Watershed Stewards Academy. There will be a trash clean-up outside of the library for ages 8+ at 10am. Join us indoors for stories, fun and environmental education. Plant a seed to take home!

#### Community Clean Up

Saturday, April 22, 2023 10am – 1pm Glen Burnie Town Center 101 Crain Highway North Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Join Councilwoman Pickard and County Council District 2 Team for a clean-up of Glen Burnie Town Center in honor of Earth Day.

#### Earth Day at Quiet Waters Park

Saturday, April 22, 2023 10am – 12pm 600 Quiet Waters Park Rd Annapolis, MD 21403 This event will feature yoga, goats, vendors and food trucks. There will also be a yard sale, invasive species clean-up, and trash clean-up. Contact Ranger Liz with questions at rpschi66@aacounty.org.

#### **Baltimore County**

Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Online Pre-Orders

DUE BY Wednesday, April 12, 2023 @ http://baltimore.enviroworld.us

#### Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Pick-Up Day - MUST PRE-ORDER (see above)

Saturday, April 22, 2023 9am – 2pm Community College of Baltimore County (Essex Campus) Lot 7 7201 Rossville Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21237

#### Litter Blitz

Saturday, April 22, 2023, through Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, 2023 Location: Various locations determined by clean-up organizers. Baltimore County is encouraging Baltimore County residents to organize or attend a clean-up between Earth Day and Memorial Day. Upon request, Baltimore County is providing each registered cleanup with safety gloves and contractor

bags, available for pick up in advance. The County is also providing post-cleanup trash pickup upon request. If you would like to be a Litter Blitz organizer, please register a cleanup, download resources, and report your post-cleanup results by emailing greenteam@baltimorecountymd.gov.

#### **Baltimore City**

### Site Registration for Mayor's Day of Service

DUE BY Sunday, April 16, 2023, via 311

Community associations, block leaders, volunteers, and organizations throughout the City can call 311 to register their cleaning activities. Participants who register their cleaning activities can request that City trucks visit their locations to collect debris.

#### Mayor's Day of Service

Saturday, April 22, 2023, 9am – 1pm Mayor Scott calls on all City residents to clean up, clear out and declutter the walkways, alleyways and curbsides in their communities. In addition to calling 311 to register cleaning activities, residents can also visit balt311.baltimorecity.gov.

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#### **Carroll County**

Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Online Pre-Orders

DUE BY Monday, April 3, 2023 @ www.enviroworld.us/carrollcountymd

### Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Pick-Up Day - MUST PRE-ORDER (see above)

Saturday, April 15, 2023 8am – 1pm Carroll County Government Building 225 N. Center Street Westminster, MD 21157

### Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and Shredding Event

Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 8am – 12pm: Carroll County Vehicle Maintenance Facility 1250 Old Meadow Branch Road Westminster MD 21158

Residents can bring up to 3 bags or boxes of paper items to shred OR until truck is full. Residents should visit this link to see Acceptable vs. Unacceptable HHW items: https://www.carrollcountymd.gov/gov-ernment/directory/public-works/office-of-recycling/recycling-events/household-hazardous-waste-spring-cleanup-event-2023/

#### **Frederick County**

Adventures in STEAM

Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 11am Walkersville Library 2 S Glade Road Walkersville, MD 21793

Visit us for a special program of a story and recycle time for young children that will help introduce recycling in fun and age-appropriate ways just in time for Earth Day!

#### Middletown's 7th Green Expo

Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 10am – 2pm Memorial Park 310 South Charles Street Middletown, MD 21769

Department of Natural Resources Scales and Tales program will take place 10am-12pm. A tree planting demonstration will take place at 11am. Frederick County Recycling Outreach will be one of the many green exhibitors there to answer your questions and promote the county's programs.

#### **Earth Day Celebration**

Sunday, April 23, 2023 from 1pm – 3pm Walkersville Library 2 S Glade Road Walkersville, MD 21793

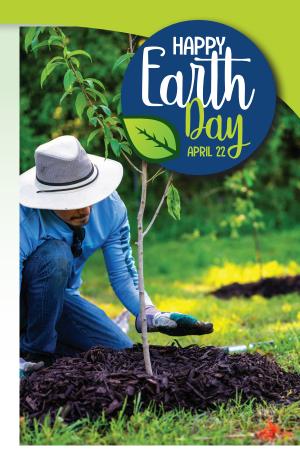
Celebrate Earth Day and learn about sustainable practices we can all partake in to show our earth some appreciation! Information on a variety of eco-friendly practices will be available, as well as a take-home seed planting project for kids. Special guest presenter Frederick County Division of Solid Waste and Recycling will discuss composting and special guest presenter Master Gardeners will discuss pollinator gardens.

For more information on Frederick County Recycling events, please visit: www.frederickcountymd.gov/recycle

#### **Harford County**

Tree Planting

Friday, April 7, 2023 from 9:30am – 1pm Schucks Regional Park 301 Shucks Road Bel Air, 21015



Volunteers are needed to help plant 180 trees at Schucks Road Regional Park on Friday, April 7, in celebration of Arbor Day. Families, civic organizations, school groups, and Scouts are welcome. Everyone will receive a free native tree to take home. Participants should bring a hammer, shovel, and work gloves, if they have them.

#### **Earth Day Fair**

Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 10am – 2pm The Grove at Dublin Park 3519 Conowingo Rd Street, MD 21154

Maryland Environmental Service on behalf of the Harford County Office of Recycling will be hosting Earth Day with environmental groups such as Harford County Master Gardeners, Harford Land Trust, Harford Soil Conservation District, and more! continued from page 5

#### **Howard County**

GreenFest

Saturday, April 15, 2023 from 10am – 3pm Howard County College: Science, Engineering, and Technology (SET) Building 4950 Campus Dr Columbia, MD 21044

GreenFest is Howard County's largest celebration of Earth Day. The event aims to connect residents with the resources that local businesses, non-profits, and government provide to help anyone be a good steward to the environment. There will be a native plant sale, document shredding, a compost bin/rain barrel giveaway and more!

GreenFest | Howard County howardcountymd.gov

Montgomery County GreenFest in the Gardens Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 11am – 4pm Brookside Gardens 1800 Glenallan Avenue Wheaton, MD 20902

This event will focus on protecting and preserving the natural environment. Topics covered will include land use, food consumption and composting, clean water, biodiversity, sustainable gardening and environmental justice.

#### GreenFest in the City

Sunday, April 23 from 12pm – 5pm Downtown Wheaton 2425 Reedie Drive Wheaton, MD 20902

This event will address how residents can "green" their home and daily commute. Topics covered at this event will include energy consumption, home and appliance efficiency, recycling, transportation, electric vehicles and green business initiatives. Montgomery County GreenFest





## AUTHORITY AWARDS MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR MATTRESS AND BOX SPRING COLLECTION AND RECYCLING SERVICES

he Authority issued a
Request for Expressions
of Interest ("REOI")
to procure Mattress and
Box Spring materials
collection and recycling services last
year for its Member Jurisdictions.

After receiving a Response from TurboHaul, Inc., the Authority requested five Clarification Responses in order to review additional information about the company, develop a mutually agreed upon Master Service Agreement and to arrange site visits at its recycling facilities. An Evaluation Committee reviewed the initial Response and additional Clarification Responses and recommended awarding a contract to TurboHaul. The company was found to be qualified to provide the services outlined in the REOI, they can provide the services and operation requirements needed by the Member Jurisdictions, and

they agreed to the terms of the draft Master Service Agreement. Additionally, TurboHaul was found to be economically sound and stable and has a recycling rate of approximately 80 percent by weight for all mattress and box spring materials.

In December, the Authority entered into a Master Service Agreement with TurboHaul that will be in effect through June 30, 2027.

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

The Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority thanks these businesses and institutions for submitting their Maryland Recycling Act (MRA) Recycling Reports for 2022. This valuable information is used by the counties as they prepare their annual MRA reporting to the State:

Advance Auto Parts - Jessica Hodges

Aldi – Brittney Koops

All Shred - Becky Kimble

Brian Boru, Galway Bay, Killarney House,

and Pirates Cove - Anthony Clarke

Clean Harbors - Jean Soltys

Clorox - Lorraine Hannah and William Jaskot

Conserveit – Steph Trumpower

Food Lion – Jeffrey Osborne

Frito Lay - Tyson Gilbertson

Georgetown Paper - Kay Grundy

Hanna Paper - Andrew Thompson

Home Depot - Katelynn Loring

Interstate Batteries – Deb Degasperi

MOPAC - Rachael Reimel

Republic – Jessi Lenz

Safeway/Albertsons - Priscilla Raffetto

Soil Safe – Nicholas Bartlinski

Staples - Amanda Paul

Stericycle/Shred-It - Marvin Bowers

Target - Abrina Leonhard

**Trex** – Emily Whitacre

Valley Proteins - Heather Ambrose

Veolia - Thomas Fantom

Wawa – Andrew Wheeler





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Annual Conference
June 12, 2023

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