

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENT**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
BY THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO FOR
RENEWAL OF A SOLID WASTE FACILITY
PERMIT FOR GAVILAN CANYON TRANSFER
STATION**

No. SWB 14-09(P)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Description of the Requested Action: The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) will hold a public hearing to consider the matter of the application by the Village of Ruidoso (Applicant), 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico for renewal of the solid waste facility permit for the Gavilan Canyon Transfer Station (GCTS).

Hearing Date, Time, and Location: The hearing will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2014, in the Village of Ruidoso Council Chambers, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM. Public comment will be taken starting at 5:30 p.m., or as specified by the Hearing Officer, on June 12. The hearing may continue on the following day as determined by the Hearing Officer. In lieu of verbal public comments, written statements may be submitted for the record at or prior to the hearing.

The application for a solid waste facility permit renewal has been reviewed by the Department for compliance with the New Mexico Solid Waste Act (Act) and the New Mexico Solid Waste Rules (20.9.2 to 20.9.10 NMAC). The Department deemed the application complete on April 17, 2014. The Act authorizes the Secretary of Environment to issue, issue with conditions, or deny solid waste facility permits. The Secretary of Environment considers all public comments, including issues relating to public health and welfare, in his decision to issue, issue with conditions, or deny the permit.

Name, Address, and Phone Number of the Applicant and Contact Person:

Village of Ruidoso
313 Cree Meadows Dr.
Ruidoso, NM 88345
Phone: (575) 257-1502
Contact Person: Mr. Jeffrey Kaplan, General Services Director

Anticipated Start-Up Date of Facility Operation and Hours of Operation:

(a) Anticipated Start-Up Date: GCTS is an existing solid waste facility operating under permit no. SWM-141403 issued in December 1994.

(b) Hours of Operation: Current operating hours for waste receipt at GCTS are 6:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Operating hours are subject to routine review and adjustment. Site maintenance and materials hauling/processing may extend beyond the hours that the facility is open for waste receipt.

Description of the Facility:

(a) Location and Size: GCTS is located at 430 Gavilan Canyon Rd. in Lincoln County, approximately 0.5 miles north of Ruidoso. GCTS is located within the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 13 East. The transfer station property is 1.5 acres in size.

(b) General Process: GCTS receives municipal solid waste from Village of Ruidoso collection vehicles. Waste is unloaded onto a concrete tipping floor and is placed into larger transfer vehicles for transport to Otero-Greentree Regional Landfill. Divertible wastes (white goods/metal, tires, cardboard, and mattresses) are segregated into designated roll-off boxes and

are collected by Greentree Solid Waste Authority for processing.

- (c) Quantities and Rate of Solid Waste: GCTS received approximately 24 tons per day (annual average) of municipal solid waste in 2013, but expects to receive between 20 and 50 tons of municipal solid waste per day depending upon seasonal population changes. Increases in waste quantities are managed through assignment of additional staff and equipment for waste collection and transfer.
- (d) Types of Solid Waste: GCTS receives municipal solid waste from Village of Ruidoso collection vehicles for processing and transfer. Divertible materials are segregated from the waste stream and processed off-site.

Origin of Waste: Waste received at GCTS originates primarily from the Village of Ruidoso. Waste is received only from Village of Ruidoso collection vehicles; waste deliveries from private or commercial haulers are not accepted.

Hearing Procedures: The public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Permit Procedures of the Environment Department (20.1.4 NMAC), which may be obtained at no charge from the Hearing Clerk, Sally Worthington, P.O. Box 5469, S-2103, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, telephone 505-827-2002, fax 505-827-2836. The Permit Procedures are also available electronically at: <http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title20/20.001.0004.htm>. Copies of the applicable Solid Waste Rules (20.9.2 through 20.9.10 NMAC) may also be obtained electronically at: http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/_title20/T20C009.htm or by contacting George Schuman of the Solid Waste Bureau at (505) 827-2328.

Persons may speak at the public hearing or submit general written comments without filing any documents beforehand. However, any person wishing to be an interested party or present technical testimony at the hearing must file an Entry of Appearance or Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony with the Hearing Clerk and serve it upon other parties of record, on or before 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 29, 2014. Technical testimony means scientific, engineering, economic or other specialized testimony, whether oral or written, but does not include legal argument, general comments or statements of policy concerning matters at issue in the hearing.

In accordance with 20.1.4 NMAC, the Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony shall:

- a) identify the person filing the statement;
- b) state whether the person filing the statement supports or opposes the application;
- c) identify each witness, including name, address, affiliation(s), and educational and work background;
- d) estimate how long the direct testimony of each witness will take;
- e) identify all exhibits that are part of the Record Proper and, for exhibits not part of the Record Proper, attach a copy;
- f) list or make available all technical materials relied upon by each witness in making each statement of technical fact or opinion contained in his or her direct testimony; and
- g) attach a summary of the testimony of each witness, stating any opinion(s) to be offered by such witness, and an explanation of the basis for such opinion(s).

To promote efficiency and fairness, and to avoid prejudice and surprise, a person's direct technical testimony at the hearing shall be limited to the data, views and arguments raised in that person's filed Statement of Intent. Submittal of a Statement of Intent to Present Technical Testimony shall also be considered an Entry of Appearance.

If any person requires assistance, an interpreter, or auxiliary aid to participate in this process, please contact Mr. J.C. Borrego by Thursday, May 29, 2014 at the New Mexico Environment Department, Human Resources Bureau, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, telephone 505-827-0424. TDD or TDY users should access Mr. Borrego's number through the New

Mexico Relay Network (TDY users at 1-800-659-8331; TDD users at 1-800-659-1779).

The application may be reviewed at the following locations:

New Mexico Environment Department, Solid Waste Bureau, 1190 St. Francis Dr., Suite N-2150, Santa Fe, NM; Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (contact Teresa Musial at 505-827-2608).

New Mexico Environment Department, Ruidoso field office, 1216 E. Mechem Dr., Building 2, Ruidoso, NM (phone: 575-258-3272).

Village of Ruidoso Solid Waste Administration Office, 107 Close Rd., Ruidoso, NM (phone: 575-257-1502).