Public Notice of Air Quality Permit Application. Camino Real Environmental Center, PO Box 580, Sunland Park, NM has applied to the Air Quality Bureau (AQB), New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality permit for the Camino Real Landfill. The application file has been assigned number 7592. The landfill is located at 1000 Camino Real, Blvd, Sunland Park, NM in Doña Ana County.

The Camino Real Landfill is a solid waste landfill that receives household trash; commercial trash, for example from schools, restaurants, and nearby businesses; and industrial waste. It is also permitted to operate a petroleum hydrocarbon land farm on a portion of the site (e.g. soil contaminated with spilled motor oil); a recycling center; and a flare used to combust the landfill gas that comes from the decomposition of the waste.

This landfill is not allowed to accept hazardous or medical waste. The Four Peaks Energy Plant is located on the same property and includes two engines that can also combust the landfill gas to produce commercial electrical power.

The Camino Real Landfill expanded their gas collection and control system and so it will now collect more landfill gas to route to the flare. Also, dust emissions from the paved haul road and scraper changed based on different calculation methods and an update to scraper operations. Although landfill gas will also be routed to the Four Peaks Energy plant to use as fuel, the landfill flare emission rates assume that all gas goes to the flare only. Therefore, the actual flaring emission rates will most like be less than what was used in the air dispersion modeling.

The maximum amount air pollutant emissions that would be emitted from the landfill are: 27.1 tons per year (tpy) of Nitrogen dioxide (NOx); 123.7 tpy of Carbon Monoxide (CO); 50.3 tpy Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC); 6.2 tpy Sulfur Dioxide (SO2); 25.0 tpy Particulate Matter 10 microns or less (PM10); 4.0 tpy Particulate Matter 2.5 microns or less; 24.9 tpy Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs); 1.0 tpy hydrogen sulfide (H2S); and 100,000 tpy of landfill gas from the decomposition of waste that includes the greenhouse gases carbon dioxide and methane.

These emission rates could change slightly once the Air Quality Bureau has finished its review of the application.

Based on a preliminary review of the application, the Air Quality Bureau's initial determination is that air emissions from the landfill will meet the standards for all pollutants from the landfill that are subject to health based standards which includes NOx, CO, VOC, SOx, PM10, PM2.5, and H2S. AQB's preliminary review also indicates that the landfill will meet the state's air permit regulations 20.2.70, 20.2.72, and 20.2.73 NMAC; and these federal air regulations for landfills 40 CFR 60, Subpart WWW and Cf; 40 CFR 63, Subpart AAAA for HAPs from landfills; and 40 CFR 68 chemical accident spill prevention. The Air Quality Bureau (AQB) will conduct a complete review of the application to verify that the landfill can meet all air quality regulations that would apply to it.

Based on AQB's preliminary review, the intent is to issue this air quality permit on, or before, March 12, 2019.

To ensure compliance with state and federal air regulations, the air quality permit will include conditions that limit the emission rates from the landfill and that require records be kept and that reports be submitted to the AQB.

The permit application, and eventually the AQB's analysis, will be available on this website: https://www.env.nm.gov/air-quality/permit-applications-with-public-interest-public-meeting-or-public-hearing/

You may also view a hard copy of the application at the Air Quality Bureau Office, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico or at the New Mexico Environment Department Las Cruces Field Office, located at 2301 Entrada del Sol, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

Within thirty 30 days from the publication date of this notice, anyone may submit written comments to the AQB about this application. The written comments should reference the name of the landfill, Camino Real Landfill, and the air application number, 7592, so that we can identify the application to which your comments apply. The written comments must also list the concerns as they relate to air emissions from the landfill. Submit all written comments by regular may to Cember Hardison, New Mexico Environment Dept., Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816 or by email to cember.hardison@state.nm.us.

Please note that written comments will become part of the application's public record.

For questions or comments not intended to be part of the public record, please contact Cember Hardison by phone at 505-476-4346. The public participation regulations can be found under 20.2.72.206 NMAC at this weblink: http://164.64.110.239/nmac/parts/title20/20.002.0072.htm

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