



Pennsylvania
Department of Environmental Protection

**Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Information
Sheet/Plain Language Summary**

NORTH EAST WASTE SYSTEMS, LLC

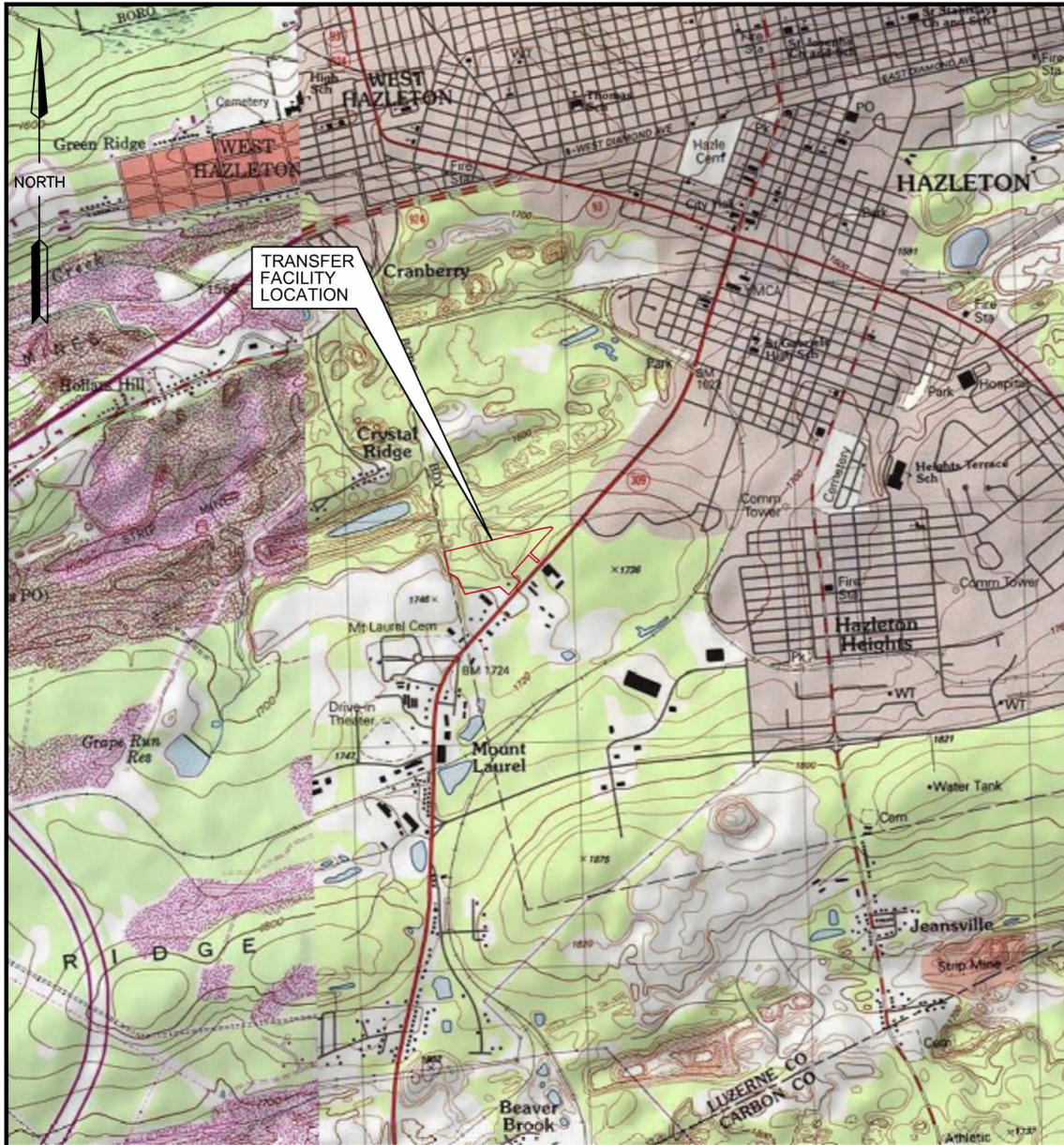
PROJECT SUMMARY

North East Waste Systems, LLC has submitted an application to DEP for a municipal solid waste transfer station permit. The proposed municipal waste transfer facility is to be located at 728 South Church Street, Hazleton, PA. The transfer facility would accept municipal solid waste (MSW) and construction and demolition (C&D) waste that is anticipated to primarily originate from Luzerne County and its neighboring communities. The proposed maximum daily waste acceptance is 500 tons/day. The proposed permitted operating hours for the transfer station to accept MSW and C&D wastes are Monday through Friday 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The waste transfer operating/loadout hours are proposed to occur Monday through Saturday, 24 hours/day. Waste unloading and loading activities will be completed within an enclosed transfer building with a concrete tipping floor.

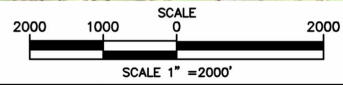
The application was received on January 13, 2026, a Local Municipality Involvement Process (LMIP) meeting was held on February 18, 2026, and the application was considered administratively complete on February 19, 2026.

Where is this facility?

North East Waste Systems, LLC's transfer facility will be located at 728 South Church Street, Hazleton, PA. The site is situated in the City of Hazleton. See map:



BASEMAP IMAGE – USGS 7.5 MINUTE
HAZLETON AND WEATHERLY, PA QUADRANGLES



NORTH EAST WASTE SYSTEMS, LLC
NORTH EAST WASTE SYSTEMS TRANSFER FACILITY
 HAZLETON CITY LUZERNE COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA

SITE LOCATION MAP

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What will be happening there?

If the application is approved, the transfer facility will be constructed and MSW and C&D wastes will be delivered to the facility by trucks entering from the site entrance at the traffic light on State Route 309 (728 South Church Street). Waste delivery trucks will proceed via this private driveway to the transfer facility's scale house for waste screening/weigh in activities. After completing check-in activities, the inbound trucks containing the MSW and C&D wastes will be directed to the building to unload their vehicles within the building's tipping floor area. Waste delivery vehicles departing the facility will then exit back to the scale house and tarping area. The MSW and C&D wastes will be loaded from the building onto transfer trailer trucks. Municipal and C&D wastes managed by the facility will be directed via transfer trucks to approved, designated, permitted disposal facilities.

DEP Waste Management staff will continually monitor the facility with regular and unannounced inspections and by reviewing records and reports to ensure the facility is operating within the guidelines and conditions set forth in its Waste Management Permit.

How will this affect me?

Construction of a new transfer facility has the potential to impact the community and surrounding areas through both harms and benefits.

The majority of the potential harms from the transfer facility are nuisance type harms, the risk of which will be reduced and/or abated by proposed mitigation measures. Potential harms associated with transfer facilities include traffic, noise, dust, odors, litter, vectors (i.e., rodents, insects), stormwater runoff, wastewater, and fire.

The application lists several environmental, social, and economic benefits of the facility. These include providing a local waste transfer option for residents and waste haulers in the area, a decrease in overall truck traffic, and a boost to the local economy through the purchase of goods and services, local employment, and increased tax revenue.

The harms (including mitigation measures) and benefits will be evaluated during DEP's review of the application.

What happens next?

All of the required information and application forms from North East Waste Systems, LLC have been submitted to DEP. Notice of the application's administrative completeness and the start of the 60-day public comment period was published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on Saturday, March 7, 2026. The permit application is currently under review by DEP's Waste Management staff.

The Department will accept written comments on the application. Written comments may be sent to the attention of Roger Bellas at the Department's Wilkes-Barre Regional Office, 2 Public Square, Wilkes Barre, PA 18701 or by email RA-EPWM-NERO@pa.gov.

Where can I review the application?

The application is available for review on the DEP website: [North East Waste Systems | Department of Environmental Protection | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania](https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dep/dep-regions/northeast-regional-office/north-east-waste-systems)
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Who should I call if I have questions about this application or the permitting process?

Contact Patricia Monahan at (570) 826-2511 or email: pamonahan@pa.gov or write to the Department at the Wilkes-Barre address given above.

You can learn more about the permitting process by visiting DEP's Waste Management webpage:

[Municipal Waste Permitting](https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Land/Waste/SolidWaste/MunicipalWaste/MunicipalWastePermitting/Pages/default.aspx)

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What is the time frame for the DEP to make a final decision on this application?

DEP's review timeframe for the application is 521 business days.