



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

ENVIRONMENTAL & RECYCLE SERVICES, INC. (ERSI) PROJECT SUMMARY

Environmental & Recycle Services, Inc. (ERSI) has submitted an application to DEP for a major permit modification at the existing construction and demolition waste landfill located at 1100 Union Street, Taylor, PA 18517-1604, located within Taylor Borough, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania. ERSI is proposing to redesign the ± 50.65 acre Phase IV Expansion in accordance with the permit renewal that was issued on October 13, 2021. The proposed redesign includes both liner and leachate collection system modifications. Additional site improvements would include creation of a new storm water management basin (Basin 3 is already constructed) and reconstruction of portions of the site access road. No increase to the permit area, volume to be accepted, or waste types is proposed. ERSI has not actively disposed of C&D waste onsite since 2007.

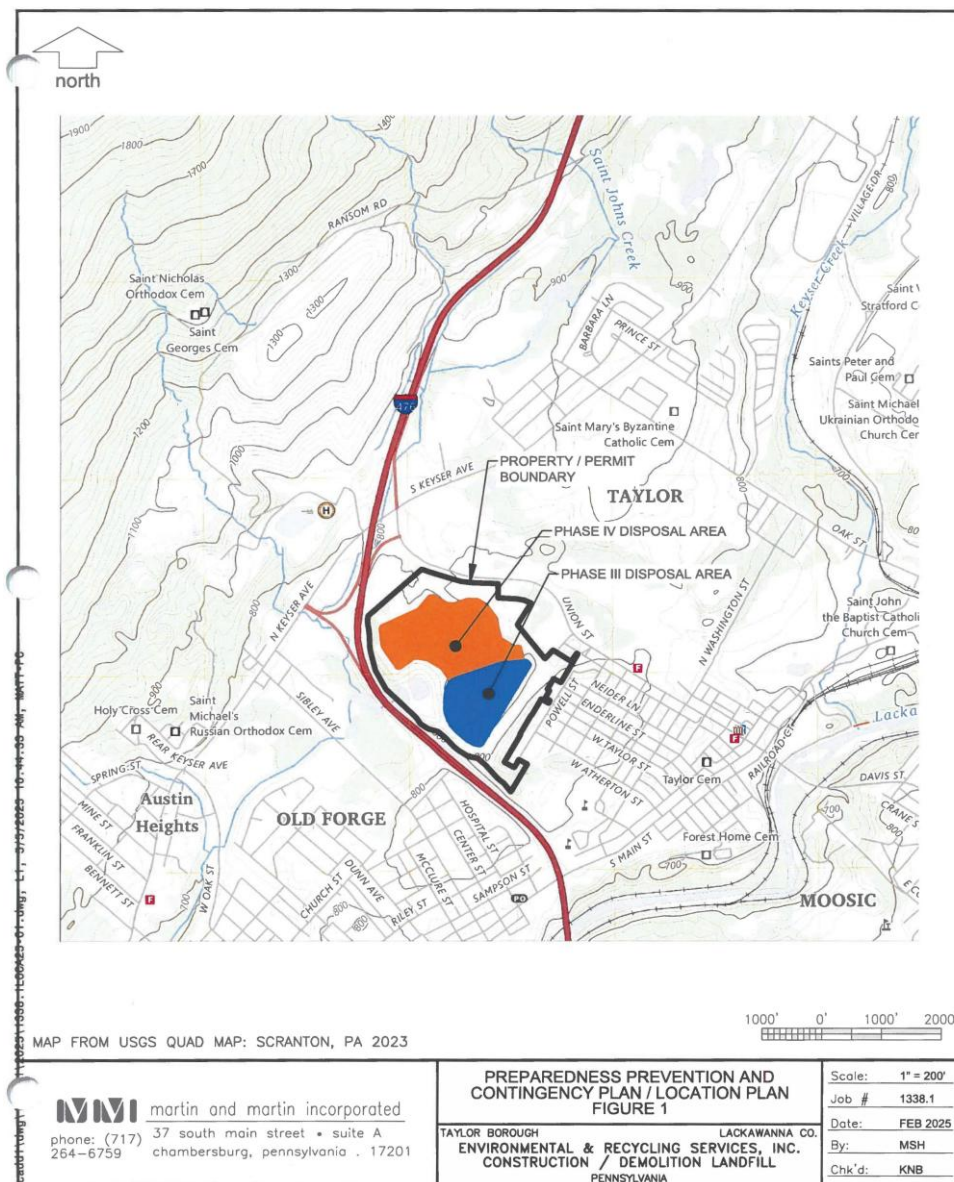
The Phase IV expansion, as approved in 2011 and renewed in 2021, allows only for construction and demolition waste disposal. An average of 650 to 1350 tons per day would be disposed at the facility.

The application was received on June 3, 2025 and was considered administratively complete on June 5, 2025. A Public Meeting/Hearing is scheduled for August 28, 2025, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM at the Riverside High School located at 310 Davis Street, Taylor, PA 18517. The meeting to answer questions will take place from 5:30 to 7:00 pm and the hearing for testimony will take place from 7:00 to 8:00 pm.



Where is this facility?

Environmental & Recycle Services, Inc. (ERSI) is located at 1100 Union Street, Taylor, PA 18517-1604. The site is situated in Taylor Borough, Lackawanna County. See map:





What will be happening there?

If the redesign application is approved, the facility would operate within the previously approved ± 50.65 acre expansion area of its presently permitted construction/demolition landfill located within Taylor Borough, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania. The permitted facility would be redesigned to include a liner and a leachate collection system. The majority of the proposed redesign area will be located above the final grades of the closed municipal solid waste landfill (the former Amity Landfill). Additional site improvements would include creation of a new storm water management basin to accompany existing basin#3 and reconstruction of portions of the site access road. No increase to the permit area or currently approved volume is proposed. If the application is denied, ERSI would continue to operate under the conditions set forth in its existing Waste Management permit with DEP.

DEP Waste Management staff will monitor the landfill with regular and unannounced inspections and by reviewing ERSI's monitoring reports for daily intake (volume of waste) and leachate management to ensure the landfill is operating within the guidelines and conditions set forth in its Waste Management Permit and adhering to state regulations that govern landfill operations. DEP will also monitor the landfill to assist in minimizing any nuisances such as: odor, litter and fugitive dust.

How will this affect me?

While already approved to accept the volume of truck traffic that would be generated if the redesign is approved, the landfill operations would receive an increase in truck traffic from current operations, which has been limited to processing small volumes of C&D waste for beneficial use and sending the remaining waste to another landfill for disposal. There are also no changes proposed to the existing truck access route and entrance to the landfill.

What happens next?

The DEP is currently reviewing the redesign application and accepting public comment.

The Department will accept written comments on the redesign application. Written comments on the Waste Management Major Permit Modification application may be sent to the attention of Roger Bellas at rbellas@pa.gov or mailed to the Department's Wilkes-Barre Regional Office, 2 Public Square, Wilkes Barre, PA 18701.

Where can I review the application?

You can review ERSI's redesign application on DEP's website:

[Environmental & Recycling Services, Inc. \(ERSI Landfill\) | Department of Environmental Protection | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania](#)



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.

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

The Department's review timeframe for this application is 196 business days. This only includes DEP review time and does not count potential time for the applicant to respond if there are deficiencies.