POLICY UPDATES

DEQ will host several stakeholder meetings around the state to discuss proposed changes to legislation regarding Solid Waste Licensing. The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18, 2020 from 11:00 am until 12:00 pm. This meeting will be held at the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment headquarters at 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317. If you have any questions, then please contact Jennifer Merritt at 501.682.0860.

In addition, DEQ will present legislation changes regarding solid waste licensing during the 2020 Annual Arkansas Solid Waste Conference brought by the Arkansas Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA). This 2020 Annual Conference will be on April 7-9, 2020, TBD in Northwest Arkansas. For more information, visit arswana.org/index.php.

CURRENT TOPICS

REGULATION NO. 22

Under Chapter 14 of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation No. 22, solid waste disposal and processing facilities are required to provide and maintain allowable Financial Assurance (FA) Mechanisms until their permit is voided. Be aware that in order for DEQ to approve any changes or new FA mechanisms the original mechanisms, not a copy, must be submitted to DEQ. For any questions or comments, contact John Sykes at 501.682.0599.

UPCOMING EVENTS & REMINDERS

TUESDAY  MARCH 31, 2020

It’s time to submit your 2020 Annual Reports! All Class 1 landfills and solid waste processing facilities must submit their Annual Reports by March 31, 2020.

SHINING STAR

Sebastian County Regional Solid Waste Management District (RSWMD) is proud and excited to have Davis Iron & Metal as a partner in the Districts Recycling Program. With a shining example of a private/public partnership, Davis Iron & Metal has always been a great supporter of Sebastian County RSWMD efforts to Recycle Sebastian County. With helpful attendants to unload recycling items, the residents of Sebastian County may drop off their e-waste materials and their glass recyclables. Additionally, the owner, Mr. Carl Davis was awarded Recycler of the Year by the Arkansas Recycling Coalition a few years ago.

RECENT UPDATES

SIMPLIFIED OPERATOR LICENSING APPLICATION

The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) updated the Solid Waste Operator Licensing Application. It is a simpler form that requires less information. Proceed to the application by the following link:

www.adeq.state.ar.us/sw/programs/licensing/pdfs/app_solwaste_opr_lpc.pdf

For questions or assistance, contact Jennifer Merritt at 501.682.0860.

COURSE SCHEDULE

The 2020 Solid Waste course schedule for the Licensing Program has been updated on DEQ’s website. Please, don’t forget to get your 6 hour update class scheduled. To find this schedule, visit: