

March 27, 2025

OLLIE THURMAN  
BLACKHAWK ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING, INC.  
113 CASTLE LANE PO BOX 85  
DENVER IA 50622

**Re: Blackhawk Environmental Testing**  
**Single-Use Landfarming Permit Renewal (Doc. No. [112602](#))**  
**Permit # 09-SDP-09-07P-PCS**

Mr. Thurman:

Enclosed is the renewed sanitary disposal project permit for the above referenced agency. The permit is authorized from May 9, 2025 to May 9, 2028. The permit certificate must be posted at the facility and the permit conditions and approved engineering plans and specifications must be kept on file. Please review the permit and the requirements of 567 IAC 120 with your operators, as they must be familiar with them.

Please note that the permit contains special provisions that may require a response or action by you, which if not properly complied with, may prompt enforcement action by the DNR if not properly implemented.

In your application, it is noted that each single-use landfarming project will be protected by its own irrevocable letter of credit. Since there is not an umbrella letter of credit covering all landfarming done by Blackhawk Environmental Testing, it will be necessary to submit a copy of each letter of credit associated with each landfarming project.

If you have any questions or need further information please feel free to contact me at [515-415-1331](tel:515-415-1331) or by email at [brad.davison@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:brad.davison@dnr.iowa.gov).

Sincerely,

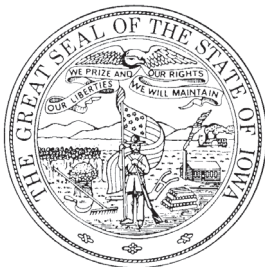


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Brad Davison  
Environmental Specialist  
Land Quality Bureau

cc: Iowa DNR Field Office #1, Manchester  
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STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
PERMIT FOR  
SINGLE-USE LANDFARMING OF PETROLEUM CONTAMINATED SOIL  
ISSUED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF IAC 567 CHAPTER 120(455B)



**Blackhawk Environmental Testing**  
**113 Castle Lane**  
**Denver, IA 50622**



Is hereby authorized to engage in landfarming of petroleum contaminated soil (PCS) on sites deemed acceptable by the department pursuant to IAC 567 Chapter 120(455B). This permit shall remain in effect from the date of issue until its expiration date, unless revoked or suspended for cause by the Director of this agency for noncompliance with IAC 567 Chapter 120(455B) or rules adopted pursuant thereto.

**Permit No. 09-SDP-09-07P-PCS**

DATE OF ISSUE: May 9, 2025

EXPIRATION DATE: May 9, 2028

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Brad Davison  
Department of Natural Resources

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*For additional information regarding this PERMIT, contact the Environmental Services Division at 515/7225-8350.*



IOWA DEPARTMENT  
OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SOLID WASTE  
SINGLE-USE LANDFARMING  
OF PCS PERMIT



- I. Permit Number: 09-SDP-09-07P-PCS
- II. Permitted Agency: Blackhawk Environmental Testing, Inc.
- III. Agency Address: 113 Castle Lane  
Denver, IA 50622
- IV. Responsible Official  
Name: Ollie Thurman, P.E.  
Address: 113 Castle Lane  
Denver, IA 50622  
Phone: (319)-984-6600  
FAX: (319)-984-6961
- V. Consultant  
Name: NA  
Contact:  
Address:  
Phone:  
FAX:
- VI. Date Permit Issued: May 9, 2025
- VII. Permit Expiration Date: May 9, 2028

VIII. Issued by:

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Brad Davison  
Department of Natural Resources

## IX. General Provisions

The above named permitted agency is hereby authorized to proceed with landfarming operations in conformance with Iowa Code Section 455B, the rules pursuant thereto existing at the time of issuance, and any subsequent new rules which may be duly adopted, and any provisions contained in Section X of this permit.

The operations utilized under this permit shall be operated according to the plans and specifications approved by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and these shall become a part of this permit. Any modifications or deviations from the derived plans and specifications must have prior approval by the Department and an amendment to this permit issued.

The issuance of this permit in no way relieves the applicant of the responsibility for complying with all other local, state, and federal statutes, ordinances, and rules or other requirements applicable to the establishment and operation of this landfarming agency.

No legal or financial responsibility arising from operation of this single-use landfarming applicator permit shall attach to the State of Iowa or the Department of Natural Resources due to the issuance of this permit.

If title to this project is transferred, the new owner must apply to the Department for a transfer of this permit within thirty days of the date of title transfer. This permit is void sixty days after the date of title transfer unless the Department has transferred the permit.

Application and storage of PCS must not take place on ground deemed unsuitable by NRCS standards and IAC 567 Chapter 120.7(455B) requirements. In addition, application on drainage pathways where erosion would be likely to occur during weather events and snowmelt is prohibited. A setback of at least 15 feet is recommended to minimize erosion and run-on around unsuitable areas deemed unacceptable due to slope and soil texture.

Application and storage of PCS is allowed during non-landfarming season (Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – March 31<sup>st</sup>), however, regulations under IAC 567 Chapter 120.9(4) must be followed. Measures must be employed to prevent runoff and run-on from the application and storage areas. PCS must be incorporated as soon as site conditions allow.

All rules and regulations stated in IAC Chapter 120 must be adhered to and employed by the agency's landfarming operations. Failure to comply with rules pursuant to IAC 567 Chapter 120 will employ prompt enforcement by the department.

Failure to comply with Iowa Code Section 455B, or any rule of order promulgated pursuant thereto, or any or all provisions of this permit may result in 1) a civil penalty of up to \$5000 for each day of violation, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 455B.307, or 2) the suspension or revocation of this permit, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 455B.305.

X. Special Provisions

1. The permit holder is authorized to “landfarm” Petroleum Contaminated Soil (PCS) in accordance with the hereby approved application, dated March 27, 2025 (Doc# 112602), as prepared by Blackhawk Environmental Testing, in compliance with Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 567 120.9(455B).
2. No provision in this permit or the approved site operation plan, emergency response and remedial action plan, and closure plan, with the permit renewal application dated March 27, 2025 (Doc# 112602), constitutes a waiver or variance from 567 IAC 120 or the Code of Iowa. Any conflict between a provision of the permit or referenced documents and Iowa rules or statutes shall be resolved in favor of the duly adopted rules and statutes.
3. Employees's must receive training on an annual basis sufficient to understand and utilize the ERRAP document. In addition, a copy must be accessible to all persons that are onsite during the excavation, to all persons that are involved during the transport of the PCS, and to all persons that are accessing the landfarming site.
4. The DNR's central office and field office with jurisdiction over the proposed landfarming application and/or storage area shall be properly notified in accordance with IAC 567 Chapter 120.11(1) prior to landfarming or storage activities are scheduled to occur. If a landfarming project is to take place within the city limits of a town or city, local approval must be granted from the local authority in writing.
5. The closure cost estimate dated November 16, 2020 in the amount of \$1950, as prepared by Blackhawk Environmental Testing, and initial proof of establishment of a financial assurance mechanism in the amount of \$1950 are hereby approved. The permit holder shall maintain an Irrevocable Letter of Credit (similar to the example provided in Document No. 94882) as its financial assurance mechanism for each site landfarmed and agrees to comply with the requirements of all subrules within IAC 567 Chapter 120.13(455B, 455D) “Financial assurance requirements for multiuse and single-use landfarms”.