

May 22, 2025

Chad Stobbe, Environmental Specialist Senior
IDNR – Land Quality Bureau
6200 Park Avenue, Suite 200
Des Moines, Iowa 50321



**RE: 2025 PERMIT RENEWAL
BUTLER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION
IDNR PERMIT NO. 12-SDP-02-89P XFR
HLW PN 6056-24A.200**

Dear Mr. Stobbe:

The IDNR SDP Permit for the Butler County Transfer Station, IDNR Permit No. 12-SDP-02-89P-XFR, expires on September 2, 2025. On behalf of the Butler County Solid Waste Commission, attached for your review and approval is an Executive Summary, IDNR Form 50B, and other documentation required for the permit renewal for the Transfer Station.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,
HLW Engineering Group

Douglas J. Luzbetak, P.E.
Project Manager

cc: Matt Ramker, Director, Butler County Solid Waste Commission (electronic copy)

BUTLER COUNTY SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

A completed IDNR Permit Application Form 50B is included in Attachment A.

General site mapping was included in the 2010 Permit Application Documentation (Doc #58246) and is still applicable.

Proof of Ownership was included in the 2010 Permit Application Documentation (Doc #58246) and is still applicable.

An updated Organizational Chart is included in Attachment B.

Since the facility is permitted for less than 20,000 tons per year, operator certification is not required.

There is no scale at the facility as all waste is weighed at the Rural Iowa Sanitary Landfill prior to disposal. The current certificate for the scale at the Rural Iowa Sanitary Landfill is included in Attachment C.

An updated Site Design Plan was submitted in June, 2022 (Doc #103311) in conjunction with the 2022 Permit Application Documentation and is still applicable.

A Site Operation Plan was included in the 2010 Permit Application Documentation (Doc #58246) and is still applicable.

An updated Emergency Response and Remedial Action Plan (ERRAP) was included in the 2016 Permit Application Documentation (Doc #86392) is still applicable.

A Closure Plan was included in the 2010 Permit Application Documentation (Doc #58246) and is still applicable.

The updated Closure Cost Estimate for the Transfer Station is \$24,567. The Closure Cost Estimate certified by an Iowa licensed Professional Engineer is included in Attachment D. A resolution establishing the Butler County Transfer Station Closure Account is included as Attachment E. The balance of the closure account as of April 30, 2025 was \$41,061.09 (Attachment F). The amount reserved for closure of the transfer station is greater than the estimated closure cost of the transfer station.

Summary of each Special Provision of the existing SDP Permit:

1. The most recent update to the Solid Waste Comprehensive Plan for the Rural Iowa Waste Management Association was approved on February 27, 2025. The provision should be updated to reflect this date.
2. The previously submitted documents are still applicable.

Summary of each Permit Amendment:

No amendments to the current SDP Permit have been issued.

Summary of new Permit Amendment Requests:

None at this time.

Summary of Equivalency Review Requests:

None at this time.

Summary of new Variance Requests:

None at this time.

ATTACHMENT A



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION
PERMIT APPLICATION FORM 50B



☐ New Permit
☒ Permit Renewal (permit number) 12 -SDP- 02 -89 XFR

SECTION 1. FACILITY CONTACT INFORMATION

Facility

Name: Butler County Transfer Station Phone: 319-267-2070
Address: 25251 Highway 3 East City, State, Zip: Allison, IA 50602
County: Butler

Responsible Official for the Facility

Name: Rusty Eddy, Chair Phone: 319-267-2070
Address: 25251 Highway 3 East Fax: 319-267-2070
City, State, Zip: Allison, IA 50602 E-mail: rusty.eddy1969@gmail.com

Owner of Site

Name: Butler County Solid Waste Commission Phone: 319-267-2070
Address: 25251 Highway 3 East Fax: 319-267-2070
City, State, Zip: Allison, IA 50602 E-mail: matt@werecycle.net

Facility Operator

Name: Matt Ramker Phone: 319-267-2070
Address: 25251 Highway 3 East Fax: 319-267-2070
City, State, Zip: Allison, IA 50602 E-mail: matt@werecycle.net

Financial Assurance Engineer

Name: Douglas J. Luzbetak Phone: (515)733-4144
Address: 204 W. Broad, PO Box 314 Fax: (515)733-4146
City, State, Zip: Story City, IA 50248 E-mail: dluzbetak@hlwengineering.com
Iowa Engineer License #: 12654 Expiration Date: 12/31/26

SECTION 2. SITE INFORMATION

☒ This facility is part of the following solid waste comprehensive planning area:

Planning Area: Rural Iowa Waste Management Association Date of Last Approved Plan: February 27, 2025

☐ This facility does not participate in a planning area within the state of Iowa other than its own.

*A solid waste comprehensive plan must be developed and approved by the department prior to issuance of a sanitary disposal project permit. Please contact the department's Solid Waste Comprehensive Planning staff at (515) 725-8319 for instructions and requirements for completing a comprehensive plan.

Days and hours of operation of the facility: M-Sat 8 AM-3 PM

Open to the public? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Service area of the facility and final disposal destination (include unincorporated areas and out of state cities):

Service Area: All cities and the unincorporated area in Butler County.

Disposal Facility: Rural Iowa Sanitary Landfill

Type, source and expected weight (tons) of solid waste to be handled per day, week and year at the facility:

per day MSW 30

per week MSW 150

per year MSW 7,500

Description of the waste handling process to be used (e.g., individuals unload trash into one of 3 roll-offs on site. Roll-offs are removed when full and replaced with empties.):

MSW is unloaded directly from vehicle into the pit and compacted into a 42 cubic yard trailer. The waste is then hauled to the Rural Iowa Sanitary Landfill in Eldora, Iowa for disposal.

Check all other materials accepted/activities at the facility:

☒ Recyclables drop-off - glass, paper, plastic, metal

☒ Lead Acid Batteries

☒ Used Oil

☒ Antifreeze

☒ White Goods Collection

☒ Tires

☒ Electronics Collection (including Cathode Ray Tubes)

☒ Scrap Metal Salvaging

☐ Appliance Demanufacturing

☐ Electronics Demanufacturing

☐ Yard Waste Composting

☐ Yard Waste Collection

☒ HHM/RCC

☐ Other _____

SECTION 3. PERMIT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Checking the appropriate boxes below certifies that the documents submitted in conjunction with this application form are complete and in compliance with the applicable chapters of the Iowa Administrative Code. While some of the documents below may have been submitted previously, updated copies of each is required to be provided with each permit renewal application, unless a prior document remains current and is identified by Doc ID # below. If an application is found by the department to be incomplete, it may be denied and returned to the applicant.

Required Documents

☒ **Section A. Executive Summary (permit renewals only)**

- Summary of modifications, if any, to the facility that occurred during the current permit cycle.
- Summary of each special provision of the current permit to determine if it is to remain the same, be revised or be removed.
- Summary of each permit amendment, if any, that occurred during the current permit cycle to determine if it shall be included with the renewed permit, be revised or be removed.
- Provide documentation and certification as required for new permit amendment requests and new waiver requests from Iowa Administrative Code, if any.

☐ **Section B. Site Map or Aerial Photograph (IAC 567 106.8(1)“c”)**

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: 58246

☐ **Section C. Proof of Ownership/Local Zoning Requirements (IAC 567 106.8(1)“d”)**

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: 58246

☒ **Section D. Organizational Chart (IAC 567 106.8(1)“i”)**

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: _____

☐ **Section E. Operator Certification (if permitted for 20,000 tons or more per year) (IAC 567 106.11(1)“d”)**

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: _____

☒ Section F. IDALS Scale Certificate (IAC 567 106.10(2)"b")

☐ Section G. Site Design Plan (IAC 567 106.8(1)"j")

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: 103311

☐ Section H. Site Operation Plan (IAC 567 106.8(1)"k")

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: 58246

☐ Section I. Emergency Response and Remedial Action Plan (IAC 567 106.8(1)"m")

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: 86392

☐ Section J. Site Closure Plan (IAC 567 106.8(1)"l")

No Revision Required - See Doc ID#: 58246

☒ Section K. Proof of Financial Assurance (IAC 567 106.18)

SECTION 4. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete.

I further certify that the construction and operation of the above described facility will be in accordance with the plans, specifications, reports and related communications accepted by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and on file in its office; and in accordance with conditions imposed in the permit issued by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Signature of Permit Applicant:



Date: 5-22-2025

Printed Name: Matt Ramker

Title: Director

Application for a solid waste transfer station must be accompanied by the plans, specifications and additional information required by the applicable solid waste rules under Iowa Administrative Code 567 Chapter 106.

Send completed application with attached information to:

Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Land Quality Bureau

Solid Waste Section

502 E 9th St

Des Moines, IA 50319-0034

For questions concerning this application please contact the Department at (515) 201-8272.

ATTACHMENT B

Butler County Solid Waste Commission

Organization Chart

May 2025

Butler County Solid Waste Commission General Board

Executive Board

Director- Matt Ramker

Lead Person- Dan Homeister

Driver/Gate Keeper-Ben White

Driver/Gate Keeper-Ben Jacobs

ATTACHMENT C

POST IN CONSPICUOUS PLACE

NONTRANSFERABLE

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & LAND STEWARDSHIP

DES MOINES

SCALE LICENSE

License No. 10677

HARDIN CO SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL
SUSAN
20482 M AVENUE
ELDORA IA 50627

SCALE LOCATION

HARDIN CO SOLID WASTE DISP
20482 M AVENUE
ELDORA IA 50627

IS GRANTED THE ABOVE LICENSE PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 214, CODE OF IOWA.
THIS LICENSE SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE FROM THE DATE OF ISSUE UNTIL
ITS EXPIRATION DATE, UNLESS REVOKED OR SUSPENDED FOR CAUSE BY THE
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 214,
CODE OF IOWA OR RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT THERETO.

DATE OF ISSUE 10/30/2024

TYPE OF DEVICE --- NUMBER

EXPIRATION DATE
12/31/2025

0 THRU 500 LBS	0
501 THRU 5000 LBS	0
5001 THRU 50000 LBS	0
50001 THRU 120000 LBS	1
OVER 120000 LBS	0
MOISTURE METERS	0
COUNTY	42

This license is non-transferable and non-refundable

Mike Haig

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

ATTACHMENT D

The facility handles municipal solid waste and construction and demolition waste separately as discussed below:

Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)

Based on past closure cost estimates, the maximum storage capacity on the tipping floor is 36.75 tons. As per IDNR regulations, use two times tipping floor capacity in closure cost estimate. Regulations also require including the capacity of "transportation vehicles or waste receptacles" if these may be used to temporarily store materials on site. There are typically five containers for MSW on rotation on site. The containers have an average capacity of 12

Total Capacity: (36.75 tons on floor * 2) plus 5-12 ton containers = 133.5 tons
Cost of disposal at the Rural Iowa Sanitary Landfill \$47/ton.

Total tons	133.5	tons
Disposal cost	\$47.00	per ton
Trucking cost	\$3,300	Assumes \$275 trucking fee per load of waste (12 loads)
TOTAL COST - Disposal MSW	\$9,575	Chapter 106.18(2)a

Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste

There is no storage capacity for C&D waste at the transfer station. The material is loaded directly into the containers. There are typically three containers for C&D on rotation on site. The containers have an average capacity of 12 tons.

Total Capacity: 3-12 ton containers = 36 tons
Cost of disposal at the Rural Iowa Sanitary Landfill \$47/ton.

Total tons	36	tons
Disposal cost	\$47.00	per ton
Trucking cost	\$825	Assumes \$275 trucking fee per load of waste (3 loads)
TOTAL COST - Disposal C&D	\$2,517	Chapter 106.18(2)a

Assume it takes two people one 8-hour day at \$40 per hour each to clean the facility.
Cost includes cleaning supplies and electricity.

Cost	\$640	Chapter 106.18(4)b
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Assume that the cost of water used and washwater disposal equals cost for pumping and disposal of full washwater tank.

Cost	\$500	Chapter 106.18(4)b
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Cost should be included for disposal of accumulated recyclable material. The cost of recyclable removal varies greatly with the markets and quantities on site. HHM materials are also accepted at the satellite facility. Since recyclables and HHM are removed throughout the year large quantities do not accumulate on site. The 2022 closure cost estimate used a cost of \$10,795 for recyclable and HHM removal. Increase this estimate by 5% for this analysis.

Cost	\$11,335
MSW Disposal	\$9,575
C&D Disposal	\$2,517
Transfer Station Cleaning	\$640
Washwater Disposal	\$500
Recycling/HHM Removal	\$11,335
Total	\$24,567



ATTACHMENT E

RESOLUTION 2019 - 1

Butler County Solid Waste Commission

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, herein referred to as "DNR", and section 567-106.18 (455B) of the Iowa Administrative Code requires the Butler County Solid Waste Commission, as Owner and Operator of a solid waste transfer station, establish financial assurance for the closure of the transfer station; and

WHEREAS, the DNR and 567-106.18 (455B) of the Iowa Administrative Code requires the Butler County Solid Waste Commission, provide a statement of Proof of Establishment of Account, indicating that an account for closure expenses has been established; and

WHEREAS, the Butler County Solid Waste Commission has established such an account, and now with this resolution, hereby provides a statement of such account known as the Butler County Transfer Station Closure Account;

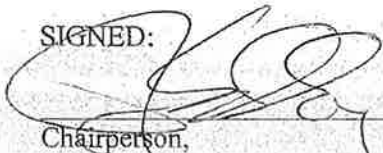
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Butler County Solid Waste Commission as follows:

The following account has been established and the designated funds are restricted and reserved to pay for site closure expenses at the Butler County Transfer Station (Permit No. 12-SDP-02-89-XTR). The Butler County Transfer Station Closure Account will be detailed in the financial statement of the Butler County Solid Waste Commission's annual audit.

Iowa State Bank Certificate of Deposit #14859

Adopted this 17th day of June 2019 by the Butler County Solid Waste Commission.

SIGNED:



Chairperson,
Butler County Solid Waste Commission

ATTEST:



Director

DATE:

6-17-19

ATTACHMENT F

Butler County Solid Waste Commission
Fund Balance Reconciliation

April 30, 2025

Beginning Balance	\$431,317.68
Monthly Receipts	119,518.86
Monthly Disbursements	88,329.68

	\$462,506.56

Cash on Hand	97.83
ISB Checking	74,416.61
ISB MM	19,575.24
CD 119	215,328.23
CD-120	39,394.88
CD-121	31,185.84
→ CD -Transfer Closure	41,061.09
CD - #14766	41,446.84

	\$462,506.56

GL Balance	\$462,506.56
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