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May 15, 2026

JOE GRIFE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
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RE: Sanitary Disposal Project Visit
Newton Sanitary Landfill, 3202 Hwy. 14 South, Newton, IA
Sanitary Disposal Project Permit #50-SDP-01-75P

Dear Mr. Grife:

Enclosed is the report completed by Brenda Smith of the Field Office #5 staff following the inspection of the Newton Sanitary Landfill on May 4, 2026.

The report should be self-explanatory. A copy was left at the landfill at the time of the inspection

You may contact Brenda Smith (515-250-4094, brenda.smith@dnr.iowa.gov) with any questions or comments. The assistance of landfill staff during this inspection is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Digitally signed by Bill Gross
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Bill Gross
Environmental Specialist Senior, Field Office #5

c.: [Becky Jolly](#) /, [Khalid Al Gharrawi](#) Land Quality Bureau, Iowa DNR (w/encl.)
[Mike Ward](#), Newton Sanitary Landfill (w/encl.)

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Field Office 5

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515-725-0268

Sanitary Disposal Project Visit

Permit #: 50-SDP-01-75P Date this Inspection: 5/4/26 Previous Inspection Date: 12/8/25

Facility Name: Newton Sanitary Landfill Weather Conditions at Time of Visit: 71° sunny @ 11:15

Person(s) Contacted: Mike Ward

Were deficiencies noted or significant observations made during this inspection?

Yes - See Comments Sec., No - No deficiencies noted, Blank - Not applicable or observed, PND - Previously Noted Deficiency

Observations				Observations			
Yes	No	PND	Item	Yes	No	PND	Item
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Fill Cover: daily; intermediate; final	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Special Waste Handling
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Control of Face: slope; width; location	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11. Recycling Activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Compaction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. Operator Certification
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Cover erosion; Ponding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13. Staffing
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Drainage into fill	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14. Equipment Backup/Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Leachate Mgmt. & Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	15. Interior Roads
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Litter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	16. Perimeter fence, gate, signs
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Wet Weather Area	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	17. Photos taken
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9. Construction & Demolition Area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	18. Follow-up needed

Location of Work Face: D1/D2

Comments: Scale certified 4/17/2026, litter logs current - daily pickup
last load checks 4/24/26, 4/15/26

Nine certified operators - five on-site at time of visit

concrete crushing completed, 1945 area seeded (waiting for grass to fill)
part time hired ~~March~~ 2026 - litter pick up and small tasks as needed.

529,000 gal. leachate pumped year to date

Follow-up Actions Needed: _____

AUTHENTICATION

INSPECTOR: Brenda Smith

FACILITY CONTACT: Mike Ward