

September 3, 2026

Ms. Alexis Slade, Environmental Engineer
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
6200 Park Avenue, Suite 200
Des Moines, Iowa 50321



**RE: Request for a Deadline Extension – GWD-1 Sample Collection
Fremont County Sanitary Landfill 36-SDP-01-74P**

Dear Ms. Slade:

We are asking for an extension of the deadline related to the required sample collection from GWD-1. We are requesting that the deadline be extended until December 31, 2026.

The IDNR Letter dated June 15, 2026 (Doc # 117338) required the collection of a water sample from the discharge end of the underdrain line designated GWD-1 by July 31, 2026. A deadline extension to August 31, 2026, was previously approved.

The discharge end of this pipe remains submerged below ponded water in the sediment filled creek channel and has precluded the collection of a representative sample in recent months. It is our plan to have the pipe end exposed and drainage improved below GWD-1 to allow the collection of representative samples from the sample collection point moving forward.

The Fremont County Landfill staff have been working to clear trees along the creek banks to the north of GWD-1. Additionally, the Fremont County Landfill staff has been exploring the best way to remove the beaver dam that is located downstream of GWD-1.

The Phase 3 Expansion is under contract and will be constructed in 2026. However, at present the contractor has not yet mobilized equipment to the site. It is our intent to utilize available resources (Fremont County Landfill Staff, or a local contractor, or the Phase 3 contractor) to clear the outlet end of GWD-1 and reestablish the original creek flowline across the site.

Although we are asking for an extension until December 31, 2026, it is our intent to collect the required sample as soon as practical after GWD-1 is cleared and the flowline of the creek is reestablished.

Please let me know whether this request is acceptable and feel free to contact our office at (515) 733-4144 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,
HLW Engineering Group

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Todd Whipple", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Todd Whipple, CPG
Project Manager

cc: Casey Moyer, Landfill Manager