

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

WRD-Lansing District Office,
525 West Allegan Street, 4th Floor-North,
Lansing, Michigan 48933.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the Water Resources Division (WRD) of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) will hold a public hearing at the Kuehn-Haven Middle School auditorium, 303 Ray Street, Montrose, Michigan 48457 on Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of this hearing is to secure the views of interested persons concerning the following application for permit:

Application for Permit Number 10-25-0090-P under Part 303, Wetlands Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, by Brent Run Landfill Inc., Dan Gudgel, 8247 Vienna Road, Montrose, Michigan 48457. The applicant proposes to excavate and place fill in wetland and floodplain, eliminate a portion of Brent Run Creek and relocate the drainage route for the purpose of expanding the Brent Run Landfill to continue operations until the year 2025. A 4,005-foot long segment of Brent Run Creek and associated wetland and floodplain will be filled with 11,106 cubic yards of material and a new relocated 4,019-foot long stream route will be constructed through 708 linear feet of wetland by excavating 7,103 cubic yards of material from 1.47 acres of wetland. The new creek channel will allow better connectivity to the existing wetlands and proposed mitigation wetlands. Construction of the new creek channel, mitigation wetlands and expanded floodplain will include up to 159 wildlife habitat structures for aquatic biota and wildlife including free standing snags, habitat logs, brush or log piles, woody tree structures and habitat root structures. A minimum of 37 in-stream habitat structures will be placed along the banks of the new creek channel including shoreline woody tree structures, root wads, brush wattles and toe wood. Two temporary 20 foot wide by 65 foot wide bridges will be installed over the creek to aid construction. A total of 1,010,696 cubic yards of materials will be placed in 10.01 acres of forested, emergent, scrub-shrub wetlands to construct the landfill foundation and contain solid waste materials which will extend between 80 and 200 feet above existing grades. In total, approximately 2.4 acres of existing wetland will be impacted by the new creek channel and the creation of 69.29 acre-feet of floodplains and 26.47 acres of mitigation wetland is proposed. The project is located in T9N, R5E, Section 23, Montrose Township, Genesee County, Michigan.

The application is available for review at the MDEQ web site, <http://www.deq.state.mi.us/CIWPIS>, or may be reviewed at the MDEQ, WRD, Lansing District Office, 525 West Allegan Street, 4th Floor, North, Lansing, Michigan 48933-1502, by calling 517-373-7055. The public hearing record will remain open for ten days after the public hearing date. Any written comments to be submitted for the public hearing record must be received at this address on or before the close of the record.

The hearing will be held pursuant to Section 30307 of the cited statute. The hearing will not be a court-type proceeding; witnesses will not be sworn, and there will be no cross examination. Public hearings are primarily informational and are held to encourage the expression of views and presentation of facts.

The MDEQ will, upon written request, provide a copy of the MDEQ's decision on this application.

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By: 

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Water Resources Division

Date: January 13, 2012

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