



JANET T. MILLS
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



MELANIE LOYZIM
COMMISSIONER

July 27th, 2026

Lane Gould
Landfill Manager, Department of
Administrative and Financial Services
77 State House Station,
Augusta, Maine, 04333
lane.gould@maine.gov

NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC
2828 Bennoch Road,
Alton, ME 04468
Brian.rayback@dentons.com

Daisy Goodman
14 Howard St, Old Town, ME 04468
daisyjgoodman@gmail.com

Edward S. Spencer
P.O. Box 12, Stillwater, ME 04489
cjkspencer@gmail.com

Penobscot Bay Waterkeeper
Peter Nichols, Representative
P.O. Box 113, Belfast, ME 04915
pete@penbaywaterkeeper.org

Maine Rivers
Charles Owen Verrill, Jr., President
P.O. Box 782, Yarmouth, ME 04096
charlesverrill@gmail.com

City of Old Town
Joseph C. Siviski, Esq.
P. O. Box 426, Portland, ME 04112
jsiviski@perkinsthompson.com

The Penobscot Nation
Chief Kirk E. Francis, Nora Bosworth, Esq.,
Conservation Law Foundation
53 Exchange Street, Suite 200, Portland, ME
04101
nbosworth@clf.org

Ed Spencer
West Old Town, Maine
cjkspencer@gmail.com

Leslie Hudson
70 Forest Avenue
Orono, Maine 04473
Leshudson44@gmail.com

John Krueger
291 Rocky road
Northport, Maine 04849
Jkrueg1@gmail.com

Jacquelyn Elliott
92 Crescent Drive
North Waterboro, ME 04061-4918
j.c.elliott@roadrunner.com

On December 9, 2025, the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (“Department”) accepted as complete for processing an application by the State of Maine, Department of Administrative and Financial Services (“DAFS”) for a Solid Waste license for the expansion of the Juniper Ridge Landfill. The application shall be referenced as #HQH-D4D1-RJBBR. The project will take place in Alton and Old Town, in Penobscot County, Maine.

On January 8, 2026, Melanie Loyzim, the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection, determined that the Department will hold a public hearing on this application as required pursuant to Public and Local Participation, 38 M.R.S. § 1310-S(2).

Included with this letter is the Department’s Second Procedural Order that sets forth the Presiding Officer’s decision regarding NEWSME Landfill Operations, LLC’s objections, request for clarification, the application of intervenors, and the scheduling of a pre-hearing conference for **August 14th at 1:00 p.m.** An email will be sent closer to the date with details for the virtual meeting.

/s/ Ronald Mongeon

Ronald Mongeon

Presiding Officer

Maine Department of Environmental Protection