Project: 8-4422-00051/00001 County Line MRF

Date: September 3, 2020

## Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts and Determination of Significance

Part 3 provides the reasons in support of the determination of significance. The lead agency must complete Part 3 for every question in Part 2 where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Based on the analysis in Part 3, the lead agency must decide whether to require an environmental impact statement to further assess the proposed action or whether available information is sufficient for the lead agency to conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. By completing the certification on the next page, the lead agency can complete its determination of significance.

### Reasons Supporting This Determination:

To complete this section:

- Identify the impact based on the Part 2 responses and describe its magnitude. Magnitude considers factors such as severity, size or extent of an impact.
- Assess the importance of the impact. Importance relates to the geographic scope, duration, probability of the impact occurring, number of people affected by the impact and any additional environmental consequences if the impact were to
- The assessment should take into consideration any design element or project changes.
- Repeat this process for each Part 2 question where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.
- Provide the reason(s) why the impact may, or will not, result in a significant adverse environmental impact
- For Conditional Negative Declarations identify the specific condition(s) imposed that will modify the proposed action so that no significant adverse environmental impacts will result.
- Attach additional sheets, as needed.

See attached sheet **Determination of Significance** - Type 1 and Unlisted Actions Type 1 **✓** Unlisted SEQR Status: Identify portions of EAF completed for this Project: Part 1 Part 2 Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information  Application for Solid Waste Management Facility and associated materials received by the Department on August 8, 2020
and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the (None Determined)  as lead agency that:
A. This project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.
B. Although this project could have a significant adverse impact on the environment, that impact will be avoided or substantially mitigated because of the following conditions which will be required by the lead agency:
There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.7(d)).
C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment, and an environmental impact statement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce those impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.
Name of Action: County Line MRF
Name of Lead Agency: None Determined
Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Guillermo Saar (NYSDEC)
Title of Responsible Officer: Environmental Analyst
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For Type 1 Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a copy of this Notice is sent to:
Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the action will be principally located (e.g., Town / City / Village of) Other involved agencies (if any) Applicant (if any) Environmental Notice Bulletin: <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.html</a>

### **State Environmental Quality Review**

# SEQR Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Attachment - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts

Name of Action: County Line MRF

SEQR Status: Unlisted

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### **Project Description:**

The owner and operator, Bob Mente, proposes to build a 10,575 square foot materials recovery facility that would accept municipal solid waste (MSW), construction and demolition debris (C&D) and source-separated recyclables, with a maximum daily thoughput of 500 tons per day. The facility will include waste storage areas, a truck weighing scale, trailer staging area and an onsite wastewater storage tank, and a building for handling and storage of waste materials that will also have areas for office space.

#### **Reasons Supporting the SEQR Determination:**

<u>Impact on Land:</u> The facility will disturb 0.412 acres within a 7.4 acre property. The disturbance is kept to the necessary for the access and buildings, and is therefore not excessive for the facility proposed.

Erosion and sedimentation controls will be used. No significant amount of vegetation will be removed, therefore the erosion potential is low.

Impacts on Surface Water: The eastern site border is near a Class C non navigable stream, #931-16. It is tributary to a Class C(T) stream approximately ¾ of a mile downstream. Standard Stormwater, and erosion and sedimentation controls will be used. No significant amount of vegetation will be removed, therefore the erosion potential is low.

A drain in the floor of the loading bay will convey liquids to a 4,000-gallon holding tank with a high-level alarm. The contents of the holding tank are to be periodically hauled offsite.

Therefore, no significant adverse impacts to surface waters are anticipated as a result of the project.

<u>Impact on Plants and Animals:</u> The proposed project will have no significant effect to plants and animals. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts to plants or animals are expected to result from this project.

Impact on Historic and Archaeological Resources: The project driveway is located partially within mapped Archaeological Sites of Sensitivity. The NYS Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) has reviewed the project and has issued a letter stating that no adverse impacts to historic or archaeological resources are expected from the project.

Impact on Transportation: The facility is served by Elmira Road (NY Route 13). The entrance to the facility is approximately one-mile northeast of the intersection with NY-224. Incoming waste vehicles enter the facility from NY-13 and travel north along the access road into the site. The site entrance has been made to accommodate several tractor-trailers or collection vehicles for queuing. If conditions warrant, vehicles will queue along the gravel access road. In the event that traffic becomes congested, County Line MRF employees will manage traffic. As a result, small additional impacts to transportation are anticipated as a result of this project.

Impact on Noise and Odor: A noise analysis was provided including an ambient noise study provided in Appendix J, showing an ambient Leq of 64 dBA. Taking into account the ambient Leq, the building walls, trees/vegetation and distance to neighboring property lines, the facility is anticipated to generate a total noise not in excess of that of the current ambient level.

Per the DEC noise policy document, "Assessing and Mitigating Noise Impacts", this evaluation indicates that sound levels at the point of reception at the property lines will not be perceptible, similar to or only slightly elevated as compared to ambient conditions, and therefore no further evaluation is required. No significant adverse noise impacts are expected to result from this project.

Control of odors and dust will be achieved by cleaning waste handling and storage areas on a regular basis. A cleanup time will be observed at the end of each day of operation in order to prevent odors and other nuisance conditions. Material will be consolidated into containers. Odor neutralizers and deodorizers will be used as needed to control any

short-term problems. Trucks are not permitted to idle their engines for longer than three minutes.

The first 30 feet of the site entrance will be paved in order to help prevent dust and sediment from leaving the site. The posted speed limit at the site is 5 mph, and therefore dusty conditions in traffic areas are not anticipated due to slow vehicle speeds. Water will be sprayed on the gravel road to minimize dust generation if necessary.