OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE – DRAFT PERMIT MODIFICATION

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) received an application for a solid waste Tier 2 permit modification to apply for a vertical landfill expansion at the McAlester Army Ammunition Plant, 1 C Tree Rd., McAlester, OK 74501, located in southwest corner of section 30T4NR13E and that portion in the southeast corner of section 25T4NR12E east of Road B. The application was filed by McAlester Army Ammunition Plant on September 05, 2019.

The DEQ has tentatively found that the application meets the requirements of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-1-101, et seq., Section 2-10-101, et seq., and rules of the DEQ, Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC), Title 252, Chapters 4 and 515, and has prepared a draft permit modification for public review.

The draft permit modification and its conditions propose a vertical expansion on top of the existing Non Hazardous Industrial Waste trench landfill. The vertical expansion is intended to increase the landfill capacity by 119 years or 1,252,326 cubic yards. Construction activities will include a new storm water pond and storm water drainage channels around the landfill area to direct storm water to the storm water pond. A borrow area located on the McAlester Army Ammunition Plant adjacent to the landfill will be utilized for cover material. No variances or changes to the waste type or permit boundary are proposed as part of this permit modification. Storm water that interfaces with waste in the working face of the Landfill and becomes leachate will be contained by temporary run-off ditches. The leachate will be allowed to be evaporated or absorbed by the underlying waste/earthen daily cover material. If the leachate does not evaporate or becomes an issue to contain, the Landfill will haul the leachate offsite for disposal.

The application, the draft permit modification, and related documents may be reviewed during normal business hours at the Central Records Office, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, located on the 2nd floor of the DEQ building at 707 North Robinson, P. O. Box 1677, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677. The DEQ contact is Hillary Young, DEQ, Land Protection Division, P. O. Box 1677, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677; (405) 702-5100; Fax No. (405) 702-5101.

Copies are also on file on DEQ’s website at https://www.deq.ok.gov/land-protection-division/permit-public-participation-process/and locally at the McAlester Public Library 401 N 2nd St, McAlester, OK 74501.

Persons wishing to comment on the draft permit modification should submit their comments in writing to DEQ at the above address or electronically to the DEQ at the website address above. Also, any person may request, in writing, a formal public meeting to present written or oral statements and data concerning the draft permit modification. A request for a public meeting must identify the nature of the issues to be raised in the meeting. If DEQ determines, based on the requests it receives, that there is a significant degree of public interest in the draft permit modification, it will schedule a public meeting and provide notice of the date, time and place.

Written comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by DEQ within 30 days after the date of this publication at the DEQ address given above. More specific information may be obtained by contacting the applicant at McAlester Army Ammunition Plant Environmental Management Office 918-420-6551 Jarrod Thomas., or the DEQ contact listed above.