

**OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE – PROPOSED PERMIT MODIFICATION**

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) gives notice of the opportunity for interested persons to review a proposed Solid Waste permit modification prepared by DEQ and request an administrative hearing. If no request is timely made, the proposed permit modification will become final.

Application type/applicant: The proposed permit modification is based on a Tier III application filed by Sooner Medical Waste Management, LLC to modify an existing permit.

Facility location: The Sooner Medical Waste Management, LLC is located in Sequoyah county at 1753 S. Caddo St., Muldrow, OK. See legal description below.*

Activities to be regulated if permit is made final: The proposed permit modification and its conditions propose a variance to OAC 252:515-23-31(b) to allow acceptance of non-hazardous industrial wastes generated by the cultivation, processing, and dispensing of medical marijuana. This includes “Medical Marijuana Waste” as defines in 63 O.S. 428 and roots, stems, fan leaves and seeds. Additional waste stream from Non-hazardous Industrial Waste will not affect the microbial inactivation of regulated medical waste being process at Sooner Medical Waste Management facility. Medical Marijuana Waste from cultivation, processing, and dispensing facilities and laboratory by incorporating the medical marijuana waste with regulated medical waste resulting mixture is at least 50 percent non-cannabis waste by weight and/or volume. Waste will be rendered unusable and un-retrievable and sterilized by placing the mixture of waste into STI Series 2000. The STI system uses shredding technology to change the looks of the waste in conjunction with integral treatment to eliminate the infectious organisms in waste. Treated waste will be deposited into a top loading self-contained sealed compactor and transported from the facility to a permitted solid waste disposal facility by truck, generally ones that are used to transport roll-off containers and self-contained compactors. In the event that Non-Hazardous Industrial Waste cannot be processed by the end of the day, it will be stored in a Non-Hazardous Industrial Waste storage room.

Background: The DEQ prepared the proposed permit modification after it reviewed the application for compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act, Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-10-101, *et seq.* and the rules of the DEQ, Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC), Title 252, Chapters 4 and 515, prepared a draft permit modification and reviewed public comments received on the application and draft permit modification.

An administrative hearing is: an evidentiary individual proceeding held at the DEQ’s office by an administrative law judge in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (Oklahoma Statutes, Title 75, Section 309) and DEQ procedures (OAC, Title 252, Chapter 4). The hearing will determine: (1) if the proposed permit modification should/should not be issued as final; and (2) if it is finalized, which, if any, of its conditions should be changed prior to issuance.

Who can request: A person (or a group that has 25 or more members who are Oklahoma residents) who claims to hold a demonstrable environmental interest and who alleges that the construction or operation of the proposed facility or activity would directly and adversely affect such interest.

Requesters' rules: Each requester must participate in the hearing as a party, present testimony and evidence and cross-examine witnesses about the testimony and evidence presented by the applicant's attorney. An individual may represent himself or be represented by an attorney.

Deadline for request: Must be received by the DEQ within 20 days after the date this notice is published.

How to request: Submit a request, in writing, to the Administrative Hearing Clerk, Department of Environmental Quality, P. O. Box 1677, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677, (FAX 405-702-7101).

For more information on hearing procedures: See Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 2-14-304 and Oklahoma Administrative Code, Title 252, Chapter 4, Rules of Practice and Procedure of the DEQ, Subchapter 9. Contact: The DEQ contact is Hillary Young, P.E., Land Protection Division, P.O. Box 1677, Oklahoma City, OK 73101 1677; (405)702-5100; Fax No. (405) 702-5101.

Where proposed permit modification, draft permit modification and application may be reviewed:

1. Locally at Muldrow Public Library, 711 West Shawntel Blvd., Muldrow, OK.
2. The DEQ's Central Records located on the 2nd floor of the DEQ office building located at 707 North Robinson, P. O. Box 1677, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677. Phone: (405) 702-1188.
3. On DEQ's website at <https://www.deq.ok.gov/land-protection-division/permit-public-participation-process/>.

For more information on proposed permit, contact:

1. For applicant: Elaine King at 1753 S. Caddo St., Muldrow, OK Phone 918-336-7000
2. For DEQ: Hillary Young, P.E. Chief Engineer, Land Protection Division, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 1677 Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677 Phone 405-702-5100.

***Legal description of site:** A 0.60 acre tract of land located in a Part of Lot 1 of Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 26 East, Indian Base and Meridian, Sequoyah County, Oklahoma (the basis of bearing: N00°13'09"W along the West line of the NW/4 of said Section 31, more particularly described as commencing at the NW Corner of said Section 31; thence along the West line thereof S00°13'09" E 733.71 feet to an existing magnail at the point of beginning; thence S89°54'59" E 167.00 feet to a set #3 rebar; thence S00°13'09" E 156.25 feet to a set #3 rebar; thence N89°54'59" W 167.00 feet to an existing magnail on the West line of Lot 1; Thence along said west line N00°13'09" W 156.25 Feet to the point of beginning.