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July 21, 2022

Kimberly Byer
Hillsborough County Public Works Department Solid Waste Management Division
322 North Falkenburg Road
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Re: Hillsborough County Southeast Landfill

Facility ID: 41193 Hillsborough County

Dear Ms. Byer:

Department personnel conducted a compliance site inspection of the above-referenced facility on June 29th, 2022. Based on the information provided during and following the inspection, the facility was determined to be in compliance. A copy of the inspection report is attached for your records.

The Department appreciates your compliance efforts. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Joshua Roach at (813) 470-5924, or via e-mail at: Joshua.Roach@FloridaDEP.org.

Sincerely,

Hannah Westervelt Environmental Manager Compliance Assurance Program

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Enclosures: Inspection Report

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection Inspection Checklist

FACILITY INFORMATION:

Facility Name: SOUTHEAST COUNTY SLF (PICNIC LF)

On-site Inspection Start Date: 06/29/2022 On-site Inspection End Date: 06/29/2022

WACS No.: 41193

Facility Street Address: 15960 CR 672

City: LITHIA

County Name: HILLSBOROUGH

Zip: 33547

INSPECTION PARTICIPANTS:

(Include ALL Landfill and Department Personnel with Corresponding Titles)

Principal Inspector: Joshua J Roach, Inspector

Other Participants: Emily Wargo, Environmental Consultant; Brian Humphreys, Public Information

Specialist II; Ron W. Wiesman, Manager;

INSPECTION TYPE:

Routine Operation Inspection for Landfill - Class I

Routine Operation Inspection for WPF - Waste Tire Processing Facility

ATTACHMENTS TO THE INSPECTION CHECKLIST:

This Cover Page to the Inspection Checklist may include any or all of the following attachments as appropriate.

Note: Checklist items with shaded boxes are for informational purposes only.

1.0 - SECTION 1.0 - FILE REVIEW

2.0 - SECTION 2.0 - LANDFILL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

9.0 - SECTION 9.0 - WASTE TIRE FACILITIES

1.0 - SECTION 1.0 - FILE REVIEW

Requirements:

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Item No.	FILE REVIEW (Pre- or Post-Inspection, as appropriate.)	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
1.1	For landfills and C&D disposal facilities, does the facility have a current plan for the method and sequence of filling wastes? 62-701.500(2)(f) for landfills; 62-701.730(7)(a) for C&D debris sites	1			
1.2	For landfills, are the following records being reported to the Department?(Check any that are Not OK) Waste reports (annually) 62-701.500(4) Annual estimate of remaining life 62-701.500(13)(c)	1			
1.3	Is gas monitoring being performed as required by the permit? 62-701.500(9), 62-701.530(2)	1			
1.4	Are the results of the gas sampling reported to the Department quarterly? 62-701.530(2)(c)	1			
1.5	Is water quality sampling and testing performed according to standard procedures and at the required frequencies? 62-701.510(2) for landfills; 62-701.730(8) and 62-701.730(10) for C&D debris sites; 62-713.400(3) for stationary soil treatment facilities.	1			
1.6	Do the results of the water quality testing suggest there may be adverse impacts to water quality from the operation of the solid waste facility? 62-701.510(3) and (4); 62-701.730(4)(c) and (10) for C&D debris sites; 62-713.400(3) for stationary soil treatment facilities.	1			
1.7	For closed landfills and C&D disposal facilities with final elevations higher than 20 feet above grade, has a final survey report verifying the final elevations and contours of the facility been submitted to the Department? 62-701.600(6)(b), 62-701.730(9)(e)				1
1.8	Is financial assurance adequate? 62-701.630 for landfills; 62-701.710(7)(a) and 62-701.710(1)(d)1. for waste processing facilities; 62-701.730(11)(a) for C&D debris facilities; 62-713.600(6)(a) for stationary soil treatment facilities; 62-711.500(3) for waste tire facilities. NOTE: The Solid Waste Financial Coordinator in Tallahassee can assist with this information.	1			
1.9	Are cost estimates current and adjusted every year? 62-701.630(4) for landfills; 62-701.710(7)(a) and 62-701.710(1)(d)1. for waste processing facilities; 62-701.730(11)(a) for C&D debris facilities; 62-713.600(6)(b) and 62-713.600(6)(c) for stationary soil treatment facilities; 62-711.500(3) for waste tire facilities.	1			
1.10	For C&D debris disposal and disposal with recycling facilities, is an Annual Report submitted to the Department for the disposal operation by February 1st of each year? 62-701.730(12)				1
1.11	For C&D recycling facilities with no disposal, is an Annual Report for the recycling facility submitted to the Department by February 1st of each year? 62-701.710(8)(b)				1
1.12	For compost facilities, has the compost product been sampled and analyzed every 20,000 tons or every 3 months (whichever is sooner)? 62-709.530(1)				1
1.13	For compost facilities, has the annual report been submitted by June 1st? 62-709.530(3)				1

2.0 - SECTION 2.0 - LANDFILL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

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Item No.	SOLID WASTE PROHIBITIONS (unless "grandfathered" in, see 62-701.300(18))	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
2.1.1	Unauthorized storage, processing, or disposal of solid waste except as authorized at a permitted solid waste management facility or other exempt facility. 62-701.300(1)(a)				
2.1.2	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited, except yard trash, within 500 feet of a potable water well? 62-701.300(2)(b)	1			
2.2	Unauthorized storage or disposal of yard trash prohibited within the minimum setbacks of (Check any that are Not OK) 62-701.300(12) 100 feet from potable water wells (except on-site)? 50 feet from water bodies?	1			
2.3	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited in any natural or artificial body of water including ground water and wetlands? (Does not apply to standing water after a storm event.) 62-701.300(2)(d)	1			
2.4	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited, except yard trash, within 200 feet of any natural or artificial body of water, including wetlands without permanent leachate controls, except impoundments or conveyances which are part of an on-site, permitted stormwater management system or on-site water bodies with no off-site discharge? 62-701.300(2)(e)	1			
2.5	Unauthorized open burning of solid waste prohibited except in accordance with Department requirements? 62-701.300(3)	1			
2.6	Are the following unauthorized wastes or special wastes properly controlled, managed and disposed? (Check any that are Not OK) Hazardous waste 62-701.300(4) Biomedical waste 62-701.300(6) Yard trash 62-701.300(8)(c) Whole waste tires 62-701.300(8)(e) Regulated asbestos waste 62-701.520(3), 62-701.730(19) Used oil and oily wastes, except as exempted 62-701.300(11) PCB wastes 62-701.300(5) Lead-acid batteries 62-701.300(8)(a) White goods 62-701.300(8)(d) Liquids 62-701.300(10) CCA treated wood 62-701.300(14) Biological waste - Disposal of dead animals due to disease 62-701.520(5)(a) Biological waste - Disposal of captive wildlife, fish or marine mammals, and domestic animals that have not died due to disease 62-701.520(5)(c)	√			
2.7	Are only permitted waste types disposed at facility? 62-701.340(2), 62-701.500(6)(a), 62-701.500(2)(c)	1			
2.6.5	Recommended guidance for Item 2.6 above. Facility was provided a copy of the Department's Disposal of Deceased Domestic Animals Guidance Document dated November 9, 2018. (Note: The Guidance Document is to provide direction regarding the disposal of deceased domestic animals pursuant to Chapter 62-701.520(5), F.A.C. and Chapter 823.041, F.S.) Yes No N/A				

Item No.	LANDFILL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
2.8	Is there a trained operator on-site at Class I and III landfills when receiving wastes? 62-701.500(1)	1			
2.9	Is there at least one trained spotter at each working face when receiving wastes at Class I and III landfills? 62-701.500(1)	1			
2.10	Are the following records or plans current and available on-site? (Check any that are Not OK) Training Plan 62-701.320(15)(a) Operating Plan 62-701.500(2) Waste weight records 62-701.500(4) Precipitation records 62-701.500(8)(g) Load-checking program records 62-701.500(6)(a) Training records 62-701.320(15)(a) Operation record 62-701.500(3) Quantity of leachate 62-701.500(8)(f)	√			
2.11	Is the operation plan substantially followed? 62-701.500(2)	✓			
2.12	Is incoming waste weighed? 62-701.500(4)(a) and 62-701.500(2)(d)	1			
2.13	Is the method and sequence of filling waste according to plans? 62-701.500(2)(f)	1			
2.14	Is access properly controlled to prevent unauthorized waste disposal? 62-701.500(5)	1			
2.15	Is waste compacted as required? 62-701.500(7)(a)	1			
2.16	Are the working face and side slopes above ground graded to a slope no greater than 3 feet horizontal to 1 foot vertical rise? 62-701.500(7)(c)	1			
2.17	Is a narrow working face practiced? 62-701.500(7)(d)	✓			
2.18	Is the frequency, amount and quality of initial cover, as required? 62-701.500(7)(e)	1			
2.19	Is the frequency, amount and quality of intermediate cover, as required? 62-701.500(7)(f)	1			
2.20	Is litter controlled and are litter control devices maintained? 62-701.500(7)(i) and 62-701.500(11)(f)	1			
2.21	Is erosion control adequate? 62-701.500(7)(j)	✓			
2.22	Is the leachate collection and removal system maintained and operated as required? 62-701.500(2)(j), 62-701.500(8)(b) and 62-701.500(8)(h)	1			
2.23	Is leachate disposed of or treated as required? 62-701.500(8)(b), 62-701.500(8)(c) and 62-701.500(8)(d)	1			
2.24	If leachate recirculation is practiced at the facility, is it done in accordance with Department requirements and the Operation Plan? 62-701.400(5)				1
2.25	Is gas controlled to not cause objectionable odors beyond the property boundary? 62-701.530(3)(b)	\			
2.26	Is gas controlled to not allow combustible gas concentrations to exceed specified limits? 62-701.530(3)(a)	>			
2.27	Are gas vents intact and functioning properly? 62-701.500(9), 62-701.530(1)(a)3	✓			
2.28	Is mixing of leachate and stormwater prevented or minimized? 62-701.500(10), 62-701.400(9)(b)	√			
2.29	Is stormwater management system maintained and operated as required? 62-701.500(10)	\			
2.30	Is there sufficient operating equipment? 62-701.500(11)(a)	1			
2.31	Is there sufficient reserve equipment (or other arrangements)? 62-701.500(11)(b)	1			
2.32	Are communication facilities adequate? 62-701.500(11)(c)	1			
2.33	Are approved dust control methods adequate? 62-701.500(11)(d)	1			
2.34	Are fire protection and fire fighting capabilities adequate and operational? 62-	1			

Item No.	LANDFILL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
	701.500(11)(e)				
2.35	Are there required signs for operational directions and public information? 62-701.500(11)(g)	1			
2.36	Are all-weather access roads and inside perimeter roads properly maintained? 62-701.500(12)	1			
2.37	Are groundwater wells intact and properly maintained? 62-701.510(2)(b), 62-701.620(8)	1			
2.38	Are all additional specific conditions (not otherwise addressed above) in the permit, Department order, or certification, if any, being followed? 62-701.320(1), 403.161, F.S.	1			

9.0 - SECTION 9.0 - WASTE TIRE FACILITIES

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9.3	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited in any natural or artificial body of water including ground water and wetlands? (Does not apply to standing water after a storm event) 62-701.300(2)(d)	1			
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9.5	Unauthorized open burning of solid waste prohibited except in accordance with Department requirements? 62-701.300(3)	1			
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR STORAGE	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.6	If the facility accepts tires from the public, is a sign posted at the facility entrance stating operating hours, cost of disposal and site rules? 62-711.540(1)(a)	1			
9.7	Are operations involving the use of open flames conducted no closer than 25 feet of a waste tire pile? 62-711.540(1)(b)	1			
9.8	If the facility accepts tires from the public, is an attendant always present on site when the site is open for business? 62-711.540(1)(c)	1			
9.9	Are fire protection services assured through notification to local fire protection authorities? 62-711.540(1)(d)	1			
9.10	Is an annual fire safety survey conducted? 62-711.540(1)(d)	1			
9.11	Is a copy of the annual fire safety report made part of the next quarterly report? 62-711.540(1)(d)	1			
9.12	Does the facility have an Emergency Preparedness Manual (EPM) on-site? 62-711.540(1)(e)	1			
9.13	Does the EPM contain the following information? (Check all that are Not OK) Contact names and numbers 62-711.540(1)(e)1 List of emergency response equipment and locations on-site 62-711.540(1)(e)2 Procedures to be followed in the event of a fire 62-711.540(1)(e)3	1			
9.14	Is the operator at the facility maintaining records of the quantity of waste tires received at the site, stored at the site, and shipped from the site? 62-711.540(1)(g) and 62-711.400(5)	1			
9.15	If the operator of the site is not the owner of the property, has written authorization been obtained from the property owner to operate the facility? 62-711.540(1)(h)	1			
9.16	Is adequate communications equipment available at the site? 62-711.540(1)(i)	1			
9.17	Is the owner or operator providing for control of mosquitoes and rodents so as to protect the public health and welfare? 62-711.540(1)(j)	1			

Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - STORAGE INDOORS	Ok	N O	ot k	Unk	N/A
9.18	Are waste tire piles more than 50 feet in width? 62-711.540(2)(a)					1
9.19	Are waste tire piles along a wall more than 25 feet in width? 62-711.540(2)(a)					✓
9.20	Are widths of main aisles between piles less than 8 feet? 62-711.540(2)(b)					1
9.21	Is there less than 3 feet of clearance between the top of storage to sprinkler detectors or roof structures? 62-711.540(2)(c)					✓
9.22	Is there less than 3 feet of clearance between waste tire piles and unit heaters, etc.? 62-711.540(2)(d)					✓
9.23	If waste tires are stored up to 15 feet high, do walls between adjacent warehouse areas and between manufacturing and warehouse areas have at least a four-hour fire rating? 62-711.540(2)(e)					1
9.24	If waste tires are stored over 15 feet high, do walls between manufacturing and warehouse areas have a fire rating of not less than six hours and do steel columns have one-hour fireproofing? If the top of storage exceeds 20 feet in height, do columns and their connections with other structural members have two-hour fireproofing? 62-711.540(2)(f)					1
9.25	Is the access controlled through the use of doors, fences, gates, natural barriers or other means? 62-711.540(2)(h)					1
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - STORAGE OUTDOORS		Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.26	Is the waste tire site operated within 200 feet from a body of water? 62-711.540(3)(a)		✓			
9.27	Does the waste tire pile have a width less than 50 feet? 62-711.540(3)(b)		✓			
9.28	Does the waste tire pile have an area less than 10,000 sq. ft? 62-711.540(3)(b)		✓			
9.29	Does the waste tire pile have a height less than 15 feet? 62-711.540(3)(b)		✓			
9.30	Is there a 50 feet wide fire lane around the perimeter of the waste tire pile? 62-711.540(3))(c)	✓			
9.31	Is there unobstructed access to the fire lane? 62-711.540(3)(c)		✓			
9.32	Is the access controlled through the use of doors, fences, gates, natural barriers or other means? 62-711.540(3)(d)		1			
9.33	Is the site kept free of grass, underbrush, and other potentially flammable vegetation? 62-711.540(3)(f)		1			
9.34	Is the site bermed or given other adequate protection to prevent liquid runoff from enterin water bodies? 62-711.540(3)(e)	g	✓			
9.35	Are residuals contained on-site and disposed of in a permitted solid waste management facility or properly recycled? 62-711.540(5)		✓			
9.36	Does the waste tire site qualify for the exceptions to the technical and operational standards as allowed by rule? 62-711.540(6)		✓			
Item No.	WASTE TIRE FACILITY - COLLECTION CENTER		Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
9.37	Are no more than 1,500 tires at the collection center at any one time? 62-711.550(1)(a)					1
9.38	Are all waste tires, which are not used tires, removed from site yearly for recycling, processing, or disposal? 62-711.550(1)(b)					1

COMMENTS:

On 5/16/22 the Department received a complaint (Complaint ID 6729) about waste runoff leaching into the water at Balm Boyette Scrub Nature Preserve and Alafia River State Park. The complainant alleged that there have been changes in water quality and smell, especially after a rainfall event. During the inspection, Department staff brought up the complaint to Facility Manager Ron Wiesman and was shown the stormwater overflow. The overflow area, located near the northeast corner of the landfill, had no noticeable smell and the water on the adjacent property seemed undisturbed.

Item 1.6: Regarding the exceedances for Secondary Drinking Water Standards (Iron, Chlorides & TDS) in monitoring well TH-71A. Statistical analysis of historical results (2008 -2022) for chlorides, TDS and Iron at this well show an overall increasing trend for all three constituents. A statistical analysis of these parameters was completed from August 2019 (the date of the latest corrective actions where ground improvements were reportedly made to improve stormwater movement away from the area) to the present-2022. Trending from this time period indicates concentrations within groundwater are stable (Cl-) or show no trends (Fe & TDS). Turbidity readings have varied and include some readings over the stabilization criteria of 20 NTU (ranging from 2.6 to 78.3). Low pH (ranging from 6.4 to 5.8) has always been recorded and this condition is found in other surficial wells at the facility. Please continue to monitor trends in TH-71A for compliance.

The data for TH-84 was not included in the WACS upload for the 2022 1st semi-annual groundwater monitoring report. Please include it in the upload in future groundwater monitoring submittals. As a reminder, a new Contamination evaluation monitoring plan is due on 11/7/2023.

Item 2.10: During the inspection, the Operations plan and permit were verified to be current and readily available on site. Training records were reviewed on-site by the department. TREOO spotter and operator Training records for Stephen Bailey Jr. and Martin Bocanegra Jr. were current and available. Rejected loads and outgoing material records were available on-site and were reviewed by Department staff. Following the inspection on 7/1/22, Manager Ron Wiesman sent the weekly storage tank inspections and incoming material summaries for the facility.

Item 2.11: During the inspection, Department staff observed ponding on top of sections 7 & 8 near the ash pile and near the waste tire piles. Facility Manager Ron Wiesman sent documentation on 7/1/22 that the areas had been regraded to prevent ponding. Please ensure that no ponding occurs near waste and regrade immediately if a problem is observed. A few white goods were noted being stored on their sides. Please ensure white goods are properly stored up right until the freon has been removed in accordance with the current Operations Plan.

Item 2.13: The active working face at the time of inspection was Phase II, Lift 18B.

Item 2.11/2.22: Per Section 8.2.1 of the revised Leachate Management Plan received by Tallahassee Solid Waste Permitting on April 16, 2021 (associated with the Leachate Evaporator Addition and Ash Relocation Modification), the runoff within the Temporary Ash Storage Area located on top of Section 7 and 8 of the CEA is bermed, treated as leachate, and drained into a sump.

Item 2.37: All groundwater wells were not inspected during this inspection. All of the wells that were inspected were secured and labeled.

Item 9.10: On July 15, 2022, Mr. Weisman provided the 2021 Fire Safety Survey (conducted on January 11, 2022) for the Waste Tire Processing Area, with no violations noted.

ATTACHMENTS:

TH-20B Locked and Labeled



TH-28A Locked and Labeled



White Good Storage



Storm Water Pond B



Pump Station A / B



Flare



Ponding Near Waste Tires



Ponding on Section 7 & 8



3C2 Discharge Outfall



Regraded Area Near Tires



Regraded Area on Section 7 & 8



Working Face



Inspection Date: 06/29/2022

Leachate Storage Tank



Leachate Evaporator Pond



Signed:								
Joshua J Ro	ach	Inspector						
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PRINCIPAL	INSPECTOR SIGNATURE	ORGANIZATION	DATE					
Emily Wargo)	Environmental Consultant						
INSPECTOR	RNAME	INSPECTOR TITLE						
NO SIGNAT	URE REQUIRED	FDEP						
INSPECTOR	R SIGNATURE	ORGANIZATION						
Brian Humph	nreys	Public Information Specialist II						
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INSPECTOR	R SIGNATURE	ORGANIZATION						
Ron W. Wies	sman	Manager						
REPRESEN	TATIVE NAME	REPRESENTATIVE TITLE						
NO SIGNAT	URE REQUIRED	Hillsborough County						
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Approver:	Hannah Westervelt	Inspection Approval Date: 07/	/21/2022					