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Sent via email to: jill.newman@hardeecounty.net

Date: March 09, 2020

JILL NEWMAN
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RE: 2020 - Pre-Authorization for Disaster Debris Management Sites (DDMS)

Dear JILL NEWMAN

This is to notify you that on March 09, 2020, the Department of Environmental Protection (the Department) received your request for pre-authorization of a disaster debris management site(s) (DDMS) for 2020. Disaster debris includes hurricane/storm-generated debris and all other types of disaster debris.

The Department has evaluated your request for a DDMS at the following location(s):

Site Name: TRIANGLE-100025

Site Address: CR 663 SOUTH Wauchula, FL, 33865

Waste Planned for Management: Yard Trash

On-Site Contact: Ken Wheeler

(863) 773-5089, ken.wheeler@hardeecounty.net

DEP/Local Program Contact: Melissa Madden, (813)470-5795, melissa.madden@floridadep.gov

Site Name: WWTP ZOLFO SPRINGS SPRAYFIELD DEBRIS STAGING AREA-98160

Site Address: OFF SR 66 Zolfo Springs, FL, 33890

Waste Planned for Management: Yard Trash

On-Site Contact: Ken Wheeler

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Site Name: HARDEE COUNTY REGIONAL LANDFILL-40612

Site Address: 685 AIRPORT ROAD Wauchula, FL, 33873

Waste Planned for Management: Construction & Demolition Debris, Yard Trash

On-Site Contact: Ken Wheeler

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DEP/Local Program Contact: Melissa Madden, (813)470-5795, melissa.madden@floridadep.gov

Site Name: FT GREEN-100024

Site Address: CR 663 NORTH Ft Green, FL, 33834

Waste Planned for Management: Yard Trash

On-Site Contact: Ken Wheeler
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DEP/Local Program Contact: Melissa Madden, (813)470-5795, melissa.madden@floridadep.gov

Unless you receive a subsequent notification from the Department concerning the status of these sites, you may consider them pre-authorized as disaster debris management sites.

In the event of a major storm event or other disaster which results in the Department issuing an Emergency Final Order (the Order) for your county, you may begin using a temporary DDMS as necessary, while also requesting issuance of a field authorization from the Department. Once activated, a DDMS is subject to the following conditions, in addition to the requirements of the Order and Florida Statute 403.7071:

- 1) **The Department must be notified when the site is opened and begins accepting debris, and when the site is closed and all debris has been removed;**
- 2) Standing water must not be allowed to accumulate in or within 50 feet of areas used to store or process disaster debris;
- 3) Access must be controlled to prevent unauthorized dumping and scavenging;
- 4) A DDMS must have spotters to correctly identify and segregate waste types for appropriate management;
- 5) Once the site is open, a spotter must be located in the area where the waste is being deposited in order to spot and remove prohibited waste items;
- 6) A DDMS is limited to managing the waste identified above for each site; any putrescible waste received at the DDMS must be removed within 48 hours, and all other types of prohibited waste should be managed in accordance with the guidance document (see link below);
- 7) Unless otherwise approved by the Department in response to a written request from you, the DDMS must cease operation and all disaster debris must be removed from the sites on or before the expiration date of an Order that has been executed by the Department, unless it is modified or extended by further authorization.

Failure to comply with the conditions of the field authorization, or failure to adequately close a site by the required closure date, may result in enforcement action by the Department.

The Department has also prepared a guidance document on the establishment, operation, and closure of a DDMS for disaster debris. This guidance document includes recommended practices, which you are expected to follow as much as practicable, as well as additional requirements from the Order. A copy of this guidance document is available on the DEP website

<https://floridadep.gov/waste/permitting-compliance-assistance/documents/guidance-establishment-operation-and-closure>

This guidance is not a substitute for federal requirements and guidance, including those from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).