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**Class IV composting facility establishment.**

(A) No person shall establish a new class IV composting facility or continue to operate an existing facility without first submitting a registration application in accordance with this rule.

(B) Registration of class IV composting facility. A registration application shall include the following:

(1) Registration form prescribed by the director including but not limited to business name, contact person including the operator and property owner, contact information, location of the proposed composting facility, and notarized statement certifying compliance with the siting criteria specified in paragraph (C) of this rule:

(2) Plan view drawing, using a scale of one inch equals no greater than one hundred feet, showing the following information inside the facility boundaries and within five hundred feet beyond the facility boundaries:

(a) The property lines of all land owned or leased for the composting facility.

(b) The boundary lines for the composting facility.

(c) Public roads, railroads, and structures.

(d) Existing topography showing streams, wetlands, lakes, springs, and other surface waters of the state.

(e) The north arrow.

(f) Location of the materials placement areas for each of the following:

(i) Composting operations.

(ii) Storage of feedstocks, bulking agents, or additives.

(iii) Storage of compost product.

(g) Existing occupied structures.

(h) Any leachate management structure.

(i) The limits of the one hundred year floodplain.

(j) National park or national recreation areas, candidate areas for potential inclusion into the national park system, and any state park or established state park purchase areas.

- (k) State nature preserves, state wildlife areas, national and state scenic rivers, and national wildlife refuge, special interest areas and research natural areas in the Wayne national forest, state resource waters, outstanding national resource waters, category 3 wetlands, outstanding high quality waters, coldwater habitats, and exceptional warmwater habitats as classified in accordance with Chapter 3745-1 of the Administrative Code.
  - (l) Existing public water supply wells, developed springs, or private potable water supply wells.
  - (3) Copies of the letters of intent required in paragraph (D) of this rule.
- (C) On the date the registration application is received by Ohio EPA, the limits of materials placement and leachate management structures shall meet the following siting criteria:
  - (1) The materials placement area and leachate management structures shall not be located within the following:
    - (a) Two hundred feet from any surface waters of the state.
    - (b) Two hundred feet from a public water supply well, a developed spring, or a private potable water supply well, unless either of the following conditions are met:
      - (i) The water supply well or developed spring is controlled by the owner or operator, needed as a source of nonpotable water, and constructed to prevent contamination of the ground water.
      - (ii) The water supply well or developed spring was constructed and is used solely for monitoring ground water quality.
    - (c) Two hundred fifty feet from an occupied dwelling, unless the occupied dwelling is owned or leased by the owner or operator.
    - (d) Five hundred feet from the following:
      - (i) An area designated by the Ohio department of natural resources as either a state nature preserve, a state wildlife area, or a state scenic river.
      - (ii) An area designated, owned, and managed by the Ohio historical society as a nature preserve.
      - (iii) An area designated by the United States department of the interior

as either a national wildlife refuge or a national scenic river.

(iv) An area designated by the United States forest service as either a special interest area or a research natural area in the Wayne national forest.

(v) Surface waters of the state designated by Ohio EPA as either a state resource water, an outstanding national resource water, a category 3 wetland, an outstanding high quality water, a coldwater habitat, or an exceptional warmwater habitat.

(e) A one hundred year floodplain.

(2) Except for facilities which exclusively compost wastes generated within state parks or national parks, or national recreation areas, as of the date the initial registration application was submitted, the materials placement areas and leachate management system of the composting facility shall not be located in any one or combination of the following:

(a) A national park or national recreation area.

(b) A state park or an established state park purchase area.

(c) A candidate area for potential inclusion in the national park system.

(d) A property that lies within the boundaries of a national park or national recreation area but that has not been acquired or is not administered by the secretary of the United States department of the interior.

(D) Concurrent to submittal of the registration application, letters of intent to establish a composting facility which include a description of property and facility boundaries shall be sent by certified mail or any other form of mail accompanied by a receipt requested to the following:

(1) The governments of the general purpose political subdivisions where the facility is proposed to be located including but not limited to local health departments, county commissioners, legislative authority of a municipal corporation, or the board of township trustees.

(2) The single or joint county solid waste management district or districts or regional solid waste management authority or authorities where the facility is proposed to be located.

(3) The owner or lessee of any easement or right of way bordering or within the proposed facility boundaries which may be affected by the proposed solid waste facility.

- (4) The local zoning authority having jurisdiction.
- (5) The park system administrator, if any part of the proposed facility is to be located within or will share the park boundary.
- (6) The conservancy district, if any part of the proposed facility is to be located within or will share the conservancy district boundary.
- (7) The fire department having responsibility for providing fire control services where the proposed facility is to be located.
- (E) Upon written notification by Ohio EPA that the registration application is incomplete, the applicant shall correct noted deficiencies and resubmit the registration application not later than thirty days of receipt after the notification.
- (F) Amendments to an existing registration. The registrant shall ensure that changes to the composting facility are in compliance with applicable regulations and all information contained on the plan view drawing and registration application is current by submitting an amended registration application as follows:
  - (1) An amendment to an existing registration is required for changes in the information on the registration application, which may include but is not limited to, facility name, registrant, and contact information including the operator and property owner.
  - (2) An amendment to an existing registration involving any proposed change to the materials placement area shall include a revised plan view drawing submitted prior to implementation of any change. The plan view drawing shall include the information required in this rule. Any change to the materials placement area requires written concurrence from Ohio EPA acknowledging compliance with this chapter. If the amendment to the existing registration does not involve any proposed changes to the existing registration's plan drawing, the amendment may reference the existing registration's plan drawing.
- (G) Composting facilities registered prior to the effective date of this rule shall comply with siting criteria in effect on the date of initial registration.

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