

On June 10, 2025, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Blount County Commission received an Application for Proposed Solid Waste Facility from Harvest Med Waste Disposal, LLC.

The process to approve or deny the Application shall include, but not be limited to the following events: application to the Blount County Commission, payment of an application fee to the Blount County Commission, notice to each owner whose property is adjacent to the proposed site sent by certified mail, publication of Notice of Application in the *Blount Countian* by the Blount County Commission, broadcasting public service announcements on local radio by the Blount County Commission, publishing notice on the Blount County Commission website, Public Awareness Sessions conducted by the Applicant, Harvest Med Waste Disposal, LLC., notice of the Public Awareness Sessions published in the *Blount Countian* by Harvest Med Waste Disposal, LLC., the review of the Application and recommendation of the Solid Waste Disposal Authority of Blount County, the conducting of a Public Hearing by the Blount County Commission, notice of the Public Hearing published in the *Blount Countian* by the Blount County Commission, a public vote at a public held meeting of the Blount County Commission either approving or denying the Application and review of said process by the Circuit Court of the 41<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit in a Declaratory Judgment Action filed by Harvest Med Waste Disposal, LLC.

In determining whether to approve or deny the Application, the Blount County Commission shall consider each of the following criteria: the consistency of the proposal with Blount County's solid waste management need as identified in its Solid Waste Management Plan; the relationship of the proposed location to local planned or existing development or the absence thereof, to major transportation arteries and to existing state primary and secondary roads; the location of the proposed facility in relationship to existing industries in the state that generate large volumes of solid waste, or the relationship to the areas projected for development of industries that will generate solid waste; the costs and availability of public services, facilities and improvements required to support the proposed facility and protect public health, safety, and the environment; the impact of the proposed facility on public safety and provisions made to minimize the impact on public health and safety; and the social and economic impacts of the proposed facility on the affected community, including changes in property values, and social or community perception.

Interested persons may contact Mr. Mark Staton, County Administrator for Blount County, Alabama at (205) 973-0285 with questions regarding the Application or visit the offices of the Blount County Commission located at 220 Second Avenue East, Suite 106, Oneonta, Alabama 35121 to review a copy of the local Solid Waste Management Plan and the Application submitted by Harvest Med Waste Disposal, LLC.

The approval process outlined above will be conducted from June 10, 2025 until September 4, 2025 at which time the Blount County Commission has tentatively set a date to approve or deny the Application.

Members of the Public may submit written comments in person at the offices of the Blount County Commission located at 220 Second Avenue East, Suite 106, Oneonta, Alabama 35121 or by United States Mail postage prepaid at the same address.