



The State of New Hampshire  
**Department of Environmental Services**



**Robert R. Scott, Commissioner**

**VIA EMAIL ONLY**

December 7, 2023

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**SUBJECT: Proposed Granite State Landfill, Douglas Drive, Dalton, NH**

**Request for Extension of Review Time**

Standard Permit Application – Granite State Landfill; Initial application received October 31, 2023 and assigned Application No. 2023-66600

Dear John Gay,

As discussed, I am requesting that Granite State Landfill, LLC (GSL) grant the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) additional time to process GSL's above-referenced application for a landfill in Dalton, NH. This request is made consistent with RSA 149-M, *Solid Waste Management*, and RSA 541-A, *Administrative Procedure Act*.<sup>1</sup>

As allowed by RSA 541-A:29, IV and RSA 149-M:9, VIII, the agency is seeking written agreement to extend by 60 days the agency's time for determining whether the application is complete. Specifically, instead of the 60 days now provided in the NH Solid Waste Rules, Env-Sw 304, *Application Review*, the agency requests an additional 60 days, for a total of 120 days or until February 28, 2024, to make this determination.

While the agency is committed to issuing decisions in a reasonable period of time, the time needed to thoroughly review complex applications such as this one exceeds the timelines established in statute and rule. Therefore, NHDES also anticipates needing additional time to complete technical review of the application. If needed, we will make that request after the application is determined complete, a public hearing has been scheduled, and we are better able to project the time needed to satisfy all statutory provisions and issue a final written decision.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/NHTOC/NHTOC-LV-541-A.htm>

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Please promptly let me know, in writing, whether GSL will grant us until February 28, 2024 to determine whether the application is complete. Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,



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