

# ENF Environmental Notification Form

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<i>Executive Office of Environmental Affairs</i>	
EOEA No.:	12825
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The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Solid Waste and Recyclables Transfer Station		
Street: Plain Road		
Municipality: Hatfield	Watershed: Connecticut River	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: N42°23'37"	
	Longitude: W72°37'08"	
Estimated commencement date: Summer '02	Estimated completion date: Late autumn '02	
Approximate cost: \$1 million	Status of project design:	50 %complete
Proponent: VRA		
Street: 129 Elm Street, P. O. Box 12		
Municipality: Hatfield	State: MA	Zip Code: 01038
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: Jeffrey R. Folts		
Firm/Agency: Huntley Associates, P.C.	Street: 30 Industrial Drive East	
Municipality: Northampton	State: MA	Zip Code: 01060
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- Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?  
 Yes  No
- Has this project been filed with MEPA before?  
 Yes (EOEA No. \_\_\_\_\_)  No
- Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA before?  
 Yes (EOEA No. \_\_\_\_\_)  No
- Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requesting:
- a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8))  Yes  No
  - a Special Review Procedure? (see 301 CMR 11.09)  Yes  No
  - a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11)  Yes  No
  - a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11)  Yes  No

Identify any financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth, including the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres): None

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?  
 Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_)  No

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: Town of Hatfield: Special permit, Order of Conditions

Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land   | <input type="checkbox"/> Rare Species | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water  | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater   | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Air          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid & Hazardous Waste    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACEC   | <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations  | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical & Archaeological Resources |

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits & Approvals
<b>LAND</b>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Superseding Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 91 License <input type="checkbox"/> 401 Water Quality Certification <input type="checkbox"/> MHD or MDC Access Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Water Management Act Permit <input type="checkbox"/> New Source Approval <input type="checkbox"/> DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Permits <i>(including Legislative Approvals) – Specify:</i>  <u>DEP: BWP SW 01 Site Suitability Report</u>  <u>BWP SW 05 Large Handling Facility</u>  <u>BWP IW 12 Industrial Wastewater Sewer Connection</u>
Total site acreage	6.5			
New acres of land altered		3.4		
Acres of impervious area	0	+2.6	2.6	
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		0		
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		0		
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		N/A		
<b>STRUCTURES</b>				
Gross square footage	0	+19,850	19,850	
Number of housing units	0	0	0	
Maximum height (in feet)	N/A	+36	36	
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>				
Vehicle trips per day	2,800	+266 (max.)	3,066	
Parking spaces	0	+35	35	
<b>WATER/WASTEWATER</b>				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	0	+1,314	1,314	
GPD water withdrawal	0	0	0	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	0	+1,314	1,314	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0 (water) 0 (sewer)	0.2 (water) 0.4 (2" force main service)	0.2 (water) 0.4 (2" force main service)	

**CONSERVATION LAND:** Will the project involve the conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97?

Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_)  No

Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_)  No

**RARE SPECIES:** Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?

Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )  No – See Attachment 7

**HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES:** Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?

Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )  No – See Attachment 6

If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological resources?

Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )  No

**AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN:** Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical Environmental Concern?

Yes (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )  No

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (*You may attach one additional page, if necessary.*)

The site of the proposed transfer station is an undeveloped, industrial-zoned parcel of land on the east side of Plain Road in Hatfield, MA approximately one-quarter mile south of the C & S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. warehouse. The proposed facility will handle a maximum of 500 tons/day of solid waste and recyclable material collected from residential and commercial sources in Hampshire County. The transfer station will be located on a 6.5-acre lot. The proposed solid waste transfer station building will have a total floor area of approximately 10,000 sf for waste and recyclable material transfer, with future additions of 7,000 sf for truck garage and 2,850 sf for office space.

Alternatives considered included a larger floor area (40,000 sf) for waste transfer. After visiting other similar facilities and reassessing space requirements, the proponent concluded that the current configuration with 10,000 sf for waste and recyclables handling would be adequate, allowing a compact, efficient operation. The proponent had proposed a similar facility to be located adjacent to the closed landfill on North Branch Road in Hadley, MA (filed previously under EOEA #11716). These plans were withdrawn in favor of the currently proposed site due to better access to both Route 5 and Route I-91.

The proposed project will include on-site stormwater management including catch basins, swales and a detention/retention basin to reduce post-development stormwater discharges to or below pre-development levels. Construction activity including grading will be confined to upland areas with no direct impacts on wetlands.

The project will utilize town water. The existing 10-inch water main which terminates on Plain Road near the south end of the C & S Wholesale Grocers property will be extended approximately 1,220 feet by the Town of Hatfield, using pipe and appurtenances furnished by the proponent. The proponent will extend water service from Plain Road to the transfer station. Wastewater will be conveyed to the 8-inch gravity sewer on North Hatfield Road via a grinder pump and small diameter pressure sewer.