PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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Pursuant to MGL c. 111, s. 150A, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection is proposing regulatory amendments to 310 CMR 19.000. These amendments would modify the waste ban regulations in 310 CMR 19.000 to add mattresses and textiles as materials banned from disposal, and to lower the threshold of the existing commercial organics material (food materials) waste ban so that it applies to entities that generate one-half (½) ton or more of organic waste for disposal per week (current threshold is 1 ton per week). MassDEP is also proposing changes to its Waste Ban Guidance Document for solid waste facilities, which will be made public for comment along with the proposed regulation changes.

The regulatory text and a background document are available with a copy of this Public Hearing Notice on MassDEP’s website at: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massdep-public-hearings-comment-opportunities

Per Governor Charles D. Baker’s Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, s. 20, dated March 12, 2020, two public hearings will be conducted online and via telephone. The public hearings will be held at the following dates and times:

Monday, November 9, 6:00 PM
Register in advance for this meeting: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvf-uspzgqG9aY3yfbjTaiYfJHRtDghCN

Thursday, November 12, 10:00 AM
Register in advance for this meeting: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tUwkd-6gpjoqEtR52Ef-wm77xTiVbXRICYme

Please join the public hearing from your computer, tablet or smartphone. You can also dial in using your phone.

Testimony may be presented orally at the public hearing, or written comments may be submitted until 5:00 PM on December 4, 2020. Written comments must be submitted by email to dep.swmp@mass.gov or via mail to John Fischer, MassDEP, One Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108.
For special accommodations for these hearings, please call the MassDEP Diversity Office at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370. This information is available in alternate format upon request.

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By Order of the Department of Environmental Protection
Martin Suuberg
Commissioner