



**Florida Department of
Environmental Protection
Inspection Checklist**

FACILITY INFORMATION:

Facility Name: SOUTHWEST RECYCLING & TRANSFER-MAINLINE
On-site Inspection Start Date: 12/19/2025
On-site Inspection End Date: 12/19/2025
WACS No.: 99189
Facility Street Address: 7940 Mainline Pkwy
City: Fort Myers
County Name: LEE
Zip: 33912

INSPECTION PARTICIPANTS:

(Include ALL Landfill and Department Personnel with Corresponding Titles)

Principal Inspector: Tabitha Roberts, Environmental Specialist
Martha Avila, Environmental Consultant; Maddie Nice, Environmental Specialist;
Other Participants: Joe D'Angelis, Site Manager; Diane Ramos, Project Manager; Connie Calla,
Compliance Coordinator

INSPECTION TYPE:

Routine Operation Inspection for WPF - Material Recovery Facility - C&D

ATTACHMENTS TO THE INSPECTION CHECKLIST:

This Cover Page to the Inspection Checklist may include any or all of the following attachments as appropriate.

Note: Checklist items with shaded boxes are for informational purposes only.

4.0 - SECTION 4.0 - WASTE PROCESSING FACILITIES

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The requirements listed in this section provide an opportunity for the Department's inspector to indicate the conditions found at the time of the inspection. A "Not Ok" response to a requirement indicates either a potential violation of the corresponding rule or an area of concern that requires more attention. Both potential violations and areas of concern are discussed further at the end of this inspection report.

Item No.	SOLID WASTE PROHIBITIONS (unless "grandfathered" in, see 62-701.300 (18))	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
4.1.1	Unauthorized storage, processing, or disposal of solid waste except as authorized at a permitted solid waste management facility or other exempt facility? 62-701.300(1)(a)	✓			
4.1.2	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited, except yard trash, within 500 feet of a potable water well? 62-701.300(2)(b)	✓			
4.2	Unauthorized storage or disposal of yard trash prohibited within the minimum setbacks of (Check any that are Not OK) 62-701.300(12) 100 feet from potable water wells (except on-site)? 50 feet from water bodies?	✓			
4.3	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited in any natural or artificial body of water including ground water and wetlands? (Does not apply to standing water after a storm event.) 62-701.300(2)(d)	✓			
4.4	Unauthorized disposal or storage prohibited, except yard trash, within 200 feet of any natural or artificial body of water, including wetlands without permanent leachate controls, except impoundments or conveyances which are part of an on-site, permitted stormwater management system or on-site water bodies with no off-site discharge? 62-701.300(2)(e)	✓			
4.5	Unauthorized open burning of solid waste prohibited, except in accordance with Department requirements? 62-701.300(3)	✓			
4.6	Are the following unauthorized wastes or special wastes properly managed? (Check any that are Not OK) Hazardous waste 62-701.300(4) Biomedical waste 62-701.300(6) Used oil and oily wastes, except as exempted 62-701.300(11) PCB wastes 62-701.300(5) Liquids 62-701.300(10)	✓			
Item No.	WASTE PROCESSING FACILITY OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
4.7	For areas not enclosed, is litter controlled and are litter control devices maintained? 62-701.710(3)(a)	✓			
4.8	Is leachate collection and removal system maintained and operated as required? 62-701.710(3)(b)				✓
4.9	Are all drains and leachate conveyances kept clean so that leachate flow is not impeded? 62-701.710(4)(g)				✓
4.10	Are the following records or plans current and available on-site? (Check any that are Not OK) Operation Plan 62-701.710(2)(e) Contingency Plan 62-701.710(2)(g) Operation records 62-701.710(8)(a)	✓			
4.11	Is the Operation Plan substantially followed? 62-701.710(4)(a)	✓			
4.12	Are putrescible wastes stored no longer than 48 hours or as otherwise allowed in the Operation Plan? 62-701.710(4)(b)	✓			
4.13	Are the operating hours posted at the facility? 62-701.710(4)(c)1	✓			
4.14	Is a trained operator on duty whenever the facility is operating? 62-701.710(4)(c)1	✓			
4.15	Is at least one trained spotter on duty at all times that waste is received at the facility to inspect the incoming waste, unless exempt under 62-701.710(1)(d)1? 62-701.710(4)(c)2	✓			
4.16	Are unauthorized wastes removed from the waste stream and placed into appropriate containers for disposal at a permitted facility? 62-701.710(4)(c)2	✓			

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4.17	Is the facility operated to control objectionable odors? 62-701.710(4)(d)	✓			
4.18	Is adequate fire protection equipment available and operational? 62-701.710(4)(e)	✓			
4.19	Is access to the facility controlled by fencing or other effective barriers to prevent disposal of unauthorized solid waste? 62-701.710(4)(f)	✓			
4.20	If the facility is a Transfer Station and is claiming the financial assurance exemption, does it manage the waste on a first-in, first-out basis and store waste for no greater than 7 days? 62-701.710(1)(d)1				✓
4.21	Are all additional specific conditions (not otherwise addressed above) in the permit, Department order, or certification, if any, being followed? 62-701.320(1), 403.161, F.S.		✓		
4.22	If the facility has reached its permitted capacity for storage of wastes or recyclable materials, has the permittee stopped accepting additional waste for processing? 62-701.710(4)(i)				✓
Item No.	WASTE PROCESSING FACILITY CLOSURE	Ok	Not Ok	Unk	N/A
4.23	Has the solid waste or residue been properly disposed of within 30 days after receiving the final solid waste shipment? 62-701.710(6)(b)				✓
4.24	Has closure been completed within 180 days after receiving the final solid waste shipment? 62-701.710(6)(c)				✓

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Current Violations:

Rule: 403.161, 62-701.320(1)

Question Number: 4.21

Explanation: MW-1 has debris surrounding the well casing and appears to be behind the constructed well pad.
MW-2 did not have a clearly visible well pad due to overgrown grass or well pad never constructed.
MW-3 had sludge covering the well pad and surrounding the casing.

Corrective Action: Per Permit #302818-009-SO, section III.3. of the WQMP states all wells and piezometers shall be clearly labeled, and the well site maintained so that the well is visible at all times.

Monitoring Wells 1, 2 and 3 need to be cleaned and site maintained, to ensure integrity of the well, as described for each well in the explanation.

Attachments

MW-1



MW-2



MW-3

**Comments**

On December 19, 2025, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) staff completed the routine compliance inspection of this facility. The facility operates under permit # 302818-009-SO and is valid through June 18, 2030. Onsite the operator/spotter certifications were checked and all are current. The Operations Plan was verified to be onsite.

The Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring reports were received on May 22, 2025 and July 31, 2025. The Annual C&D report was received February 3, 2025 for year 2024. The next C&D report is due February 1,

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2026. The Closure Cost Estimates were received February 17, 2025.

The picking line was changed within the last year and was installed in the same footprint as the previous picking line. A cover over the picking line was added in December 2025 to help with dust control. Starting January 2026 the facility is installing sprinklers on perimeter fencing that was inoperable. A portion of the facility is currently under construction to add an office building. All waste operations are contained to the North half of the facility while the South half is blocked until construction completion. On the day of inspection there was no dust observed migrating offsite or offsite objectionable odors noted.

The facility had Groundwater Monitoring wells installed in lieu of leachate collection. The Well Construction and Completion reports were not received by DEP. A request for these documents was sent to Grove Scientific Engineering and they were provided electronically to DEP on January 21, 2026. The facility is reminded that, per the permit, Monitoring Well Completion Reports, Form 62-701.900(30), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), must be submitted to DEP within 30 days after installation of any new or replacement monitoring well. In addition, as-built well construction diagrams and soil boring logs that cover the entire depth of the monitoring well must be submitted to DEP, per Rule 62-520.600(6)(j), F.A.C.

All four Monitoring Wells were assessed for compliance. MW-1, 2 and 3 were found to have obstructions around the well casings and covering the well pads. This is cited as a violation. There was a Groundwater Monitoring review completed. A copy of the review will be submitted electronically to the facility. There are 3 temporary wells onsite and the permittee has asked DEP for approval to abandon the wells through an email sent to DEP's South District. During the review it was noted that the wells are listed in the facility permit and a permit modification must be submitted to DEP in order to gain approval to abandon the temporary wells.

Attachments

View of Covered Picking Line



Tipping Area w/ Water Truck



Alternate View of Picking Line



MW-4



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Signed:

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Environmental Specialist

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Report Approvers:

Approver: Louise Chang

Inspection Approval Date: 02/23/2026