

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF DESCHUTES COUNTY, OREGON**

On June 12, 2024, beginning at 9 a.m., the Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing at the Deschutes Services Center, 1300 NW Wall Street, Bend, Oregon, to consider selection of a preferred location for a future Solid Waste Management Facility that will be needed once Knott Landfill, Deschutes County’s only landfill, reaches capacity in 2029.

Over the past two years, the Deschutes County Department of Solid Waste has been working with a consultant team and Solid Waste Advisory Committee to screen and evaluate potential in-county locations using siting criteria that include environmental, land use, site characteristics, and engineering considerations. This work is documented in the Deschutes County Solid Waste Management Facility Final Site Evaluation Report available at: deschutes.org/managethefuture.

The County’s Solid Waste Advisory Committee is unanimously recommending the Hooker Creek “Moon Pit” property located in eastern Deschutes County, Oregon, as the location for the new Solid Waste Management Facility. The proposed site is currently a privately owned aggregate surface mine.

Once the Board of County Commissioners selects a location, the property acquisition, permitting, and design process is expected to take a number of years. Once complete, the new solid waste facility will be a 100-year asset for county communities, providing sustainable solutions for unwanted materials. The site will be “limited access”—meaning it is closed to the public but will receive waste from five transfer stations located countywide.

The Board of County Commissioners hearing will be streamed live and will be recorded at deschutes.org/meetings. Public input may be provided by attending in person, or via Zoom by computer or phone, during the public comment portion of the agenda. Written comment may also be submitted prior to midnight on June 10 by emailing managethefuture@deschutescounty.gov or calling 541-317-3177.