NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON DRAFT PERMIT FOR A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY UNDER THE NORTH DAKOTA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES

FACILITY NAME: Grand Forks Air Force Base Land Treatment Facility - Permit 0344

APPLICANT: Grand Forks Air Force Base

525 Tuskegee Airmen Blvd. Grand Forks AFB, ND 58205

BACKGROUND:

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (Department) received a permit application for a renewal for the Grand Forks Air Force Base (GFAFB) Land Treatment Facility.

The GFAFB currently owns and operates a land treatment facility regulated under Permit 0344 on approximately 24 acres located in the NE ½ of Section 34, Township 152N, Range 53 W in Grand Forks County, ND. The GFAFB is proposing to renew their permit to treat petroleum contaminated soil and petroleum contaminated sludges generated on the GFAFB from base operations. The contaminated soil will be disposed of at the permitted facility or reused at the GFAFB for construction projects when the soil meets treatment standards. The facility was first permitted in 1997.

The Department believes that a permit which meets the requirements of the North Dakota Solid Waste Management Rules and is protective of human health and the environment can be issued to Grand Forks Air Force Base and has prepared a Draft Permit for public review and comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARING

As required by Section 33.1-20-03.1-03 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, the Draft Permit will be available for public review and comment for thirty (30) days following publication of the Public Notice. The public comment period begins June 26, 2024 and ends July 25, 2024. During that period, any interested person may submit written comments and request a public hearing by stating the nature of the specific issues to be raised. A fifteen (15) day notice will be provided before any hearing is scheduled. The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality will consider all comments prior to taking any action on the permit. Comments, questions and written communication should be directed to:

Charles R. Hyatt, Director North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality Division of Waste Management 4201 Normandy Street Bismarck, ND 58503

Comments may also be sent via e-mail to solidwaste@nd.gov.

The Draft Permit and Permit Application are available for review during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Waste Management, 4201 Normandy Street, Bismarck, ND. A copy of this Public Notice is also on the Department's website at: https://deq.nd.gov/PublicNotice.aspx

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