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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) Materials Management Program has completed an update to the Integrated Waste Management Plan for 2018.

This notice informs the public of the proposed update and seeks public participation before the document is finalized.

Passed in 1991, the Montana Integrated Waste Management Act establishes integrated waste management as the policy for the state to manage municipal solid waste with the least adverse impact on human health and the environment. The Act is found in Title 75, Chapter 10, Part 8, of Montana Code Annotated. In addition to defining integrated waste management as "the coordinated use of a priority of waste management methods," the Act establishes priorities for waste management, sets a solid waste reduction target, requires state government to implement source reduction/recycling programs and procure recycled supplies and materials, and requires development and implementation of a solid waste management plan.

A copy of the draft document is available upon request from the Waste and Underground Tank DEQ's website at <http://deq.mt.gov/public/ea/WasteMgt>.

The deadline for submitting comments on the proposed document is the close of business on December 20, 2018. Comments may be submitted to DEQ via U.S. Mail to the above address, or via email to: wutbcomments@mt.gov. Please call (406) 444-5300 for information or help.

Dated this 20th day of November 2018