

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE OF FINAL DETERMINATION REGARDING A
PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT
FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TWO (2) MEDICAL WASTE INCINERATORS AND ONE (1)
NATURAL GAS FIRED EMERGENCY GENERATOR TO BE LOCATED AT
8425 NAVY WAY ON THE FORT DETRICK CAMPUS
SUBMITTED BY US ARMY GARRISON – FORT DETRICK.**

FIRST NOTICE

The Maryland Department of the Environment, Air and Radiation Administration (ARA), has made a final determination to issue a Permit to Construct to US Army Garrison – Fort Detrick. The proposed project will be located at 8425 Navy Way, Fort Detrick, MD 21702. Copies of the application, the final determination, the permit conditions and emissions limitations, the Department's responses to public comments, and other supporting documents are available for public inspection on the Department's website. Look for Docket #15-24 at the following link:

<https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Permits/AirManagementPermits/Pages/index.aspx>

ARA is issuing the permit, including the conditions and emissions limitations presented in the docket, with an effective date of July 23, 2026.

In accordance with HB 1200/Ch. 588 of 2022, the applicant provided an environmental justice (EJ) Score for the census tract in which the project is located using the MDE EJ Screening Tool. The EJ Score, expressed as a statewide percentile, was shown to be 48.6, which the Department has verified. This score represents a combined measure of pollution and the potential vulnerability of a population to the effects of pollution. The Department's review of the factors contributing to the score is included in the tentative determination that is available for public inspection.

Pursuant to Section 1-601 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, a final determination by the Department is subject to judicial review at the request of any person that: (1) Meets the threshold standing requirements under federal law; and (2)(i) Is the applicant; or (ii) Participated in a public participation process through the submission of written or oral comments.

Any petition for judicial review must be filed pursuant to Section 1-605 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland. The petition shall be filed by August 21, 2026 in the circuit court for the county where the application for the permit states that the proposed activity will occur and otherwise conform to the requirements of Title 1, Subtitle 6 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Shannon Heafey, Public Participation Coordinator, at 410-537-4433 or shannon.heafey@maryland.gov.

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