

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION**

**NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DETERMINATION, OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST  
A PUBLIC HEARING, AND OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS**

**FIRST NOTICE**

The Department of the Environment, Air and Radiation Administration (ARA) has completed its review of an application for a Permit to Construct submitted by Ritchie Trucking & Excavating, Inc. on June 17, 2022 for the installation of one (1) 150 ton per hour sandstone crushing and screening plant equipped with wet suppression and two (2) diesel engines. The proposed installation will be located at Sandbank Rd., Frostburg, MD 21532.

Pursuant to Section 1-604, of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Department has made a tentative determination that the Permit to Construct can be issued and is now ready to receive public comment on the application. Copies of the Department's tentative determination, the application, the draft permit to construct with conditions, and other supporting documents are available for public inspection on the Department's website. Look for Docket #13-22 at the following link:

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

Interested persons may request a public hearing and/or submit written comments on the tentative determination. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Department no later than 20 days from the date of this notice. Written comments must be received by the Department no later than 30 days from the date of this notice.

Interested persons may request an extension to the public comment period. The extension request must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Department no later than 30 days from the date of this notice or within 5 days after the hearing (if a hearing is requested), whichever is later. The public comment period may only be extended one time for a 60-day period.

All requests for a public hearing, requests for an extension to the public comment period, and all written comments should be emailed to Ms. Shannon Heafey at [shannon.heafey@maryland.gov](mailto:shannon.heafey@maryland.gov).

Further information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Shannon Heafey at [shannon.heafey@maryland.gov](mailto:shannon.heafey@maryland.gov) or at (410) 537-4433.

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