



FW: Water Licence MV2011L3-0001 – Fort Smith Landfill Wildlife Concerns

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Please post to MV2011L3-0001 – Operations and Notifications - Updated correspondence re wildlife concerns at SWDF

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Good afternoon Cassandra,

Thank you for providing the update on the activation of the electric bear deterrent fence and the submission of the logs to the ECC GNWT Inspector.

Regards,
Norm

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Good afternoon,

I am very pleased to provide the following update.

- Electrified fencing at the landfill has been energized and is now operating at full strength. Andrew engaged his staff to use one of our smaller pieces of equipment to clear the deeper, more snowy sections of the fencing over the last two days; this was very effective in hastening the freeing of the fence from the lingering seasonal effects of winter, and they were able to power the fence up around 2:00 today.
- Inspection and wildlife sighting logs have been struck, and the Municipal Services Department is rolling out tablet devices over the coming couple of weeks so these logs are super accessible and easy to complete on the part of our attending personnel.
- We will commence sending completed log batches to you on May 15th, with ongoing dissemination on the 1st and 15th of each month thereafter, as requested.

I hope this is adequate for your purposes in monitoring the situation at our landfill at this time – any further updates or points of note will be included in the May 15th log batch submission.

Any questions, or concerns, please let us know.

Thanks,

Cassandra

