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PUBLIC NOTICE TYPE IV VERTICAL EXPANSION RIO RICO SANITARY LANDFILL SANTA CRUZ COUNTY, ARIZONA

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has received a Type IV facility plan modification for the Rio Rico Sanitary Landfill (RRSL) from Santa Cruz County. The RRSL is located at 1500 West Frontage Road, west of I-19, approximately 1 mile north of Peck Canyon Interchange. **This notice commences a 30-day written public comment period from May 26, 2009 through June 25, 2009.**

The RRSL has been in operation since 1981 and was originally designed as a “canyon-fill operation” consisting of primarily vertical filling with minimal lateral expansion. The RRSL facility encompasses approximately 60 acres, with the waste footprint occupying 25.5 of those acres. The landfill is unlined. The proposed modification incorporates a vertical expansion to the existing landfill, minor revisions to the stormwater management system and the final cover system. The proposed expansion will increase the height of the landfill by an average of 30 to 40 feet.

The complete record is available at the ADEQ Phoenix Office at 1110 West Washington Street and may be reviewed from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding State holidays. To arrange an appointment to review this record at ADEQ, contact the ADEQ Records Center at (602) 771-4380.

ADEQ invites all interested persons to submit written comments concerning the proposed modifications. All written comments must be signed by the person making the comments and include his/her name and address. **All comments must be submitted to ADEQ post-marked by the close of the public comment period on June 25, 2009.** Submit your comments to:

Denise L. McConaghy, P.E., Manager
ADEQ Solid Waste Plan Review Unit
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ADEQ will review all written comments. If the Director finds a significant degree of public interest in the proposed modifications, or he finds that a hearing may clarify one or more issues involved in the modification approval, the Director will schedule a public hearing on this matter.

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