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POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY Solid and Hazardous Waste Division

An Inventory of Its Project Grant Files

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Agency:** Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste.
- Series Title:** Project grant files,
- Dates:** 1973-1979.
- Abstract:** Documentation of two grant-funded projects to develop procedures for the use and disposal of hazardous wastes.
- Quantity:** 7.0 cu. ft. (7 boxes).
- Location:** See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Grant applications, work plans, progress reports, correspondence, and some background and publicity materials regarding two major projects carried out with grant funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. One was to conduct planning activities and develop rules for the use and disposal of hazardous wastes. The other was an attempt to construct and operate a demonstration chemical waste landfill facility, eventually terminated when no locally acceptable site could be found.

INDEX TERMS

These records are indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

Hazardous waste disposal—Minnesota.
Landfill siting—Minnesota.
Waste disposal in the ground – Minnesota.

Organizations:

United States. Environmental Protection Agency.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE RECORDS

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box numbers shown below.

Hazardous Waste Planning Grant, 1973-1979. 3 boxes.

On August 1, 1974, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced a grant to the MPCA to assist in hazardous waste planning activities and in the development of rules governing the use and disposal of such wastes. The grant was numbered EPA #L00516501 and was renewed annually through fiscal year 1980.

Location	Box	
101.D.16.9B	1	Planning Grant Application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1975-FY1980. 5 folders. 1975-1976 FY1977 FY1978 FY1979 FY1980 Draft Summaries of Hazardous Waste Program in Minnesota, 1977. 1 folder. Contains historical sketches and background information. Planning Grant Progress Reports, 1975-1979. 1 folder. Also includes some reports on the Chemical Waste Landfill Demonstration Facility Grant. Draft Rules, 1974-1977. 9 folders. August 1974 May 3, 1976 June 22, 1976 September 7, 1976 September 13, 1976 October 20, 1976 November 8, 1976 December 3, 1976 June 3, 1977 Rules as Approved by MPCA, July 25, 1978. 1 folder. Subject Files, 1975-1978. 6 folders. Advisory Committee Correspondence, 1975-1976. Advisory Committee Meeting Notices, 1976. Health Care Hazardous Wastes, 1975-1977. Land Farming (Oily Hazardous Wastes), 1977. Public Hearing Notices, 1975-1978. Survey of Hazardous Wastes in State, 1975-1977.

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101.D.16.9B	1	Consultant Contract Files, 1973-1979. 5 volumes, 1 folder. Battelle Northwest Laboratories, 1973-1978. Dr. Marion Anders, 1976-1978. Hennepin County (Training Grant), 1978-1979. Hennepin County: Hazardous Waste Management Manual, [1974?]. 1 folder. Barr Engineering, 1978-1979. Barr Report: "Hazardous Waste Management: Minnesota's Issues/Options," August 1979.

Location	Box	
101.D.16.10F	2	Chronological Correspondence and Miscellaneous Papers (Bound), 1974-1979. 18 volumes. The bound correspondence contains incoming and outgoing letters, reports, grant data, and grant payment authorizations. March 1974 – June 12, 1975. June 12 – September 5, 1975. September 5 – November 26, 1975. December 1, 1975 – January 30, 1976. February 1-28, 1976. March 1 – April 30, 1976. May 30 – June 30, 1976. July 1 – August 31, 1976. September 1 – October 29, 1976. November 1 – December 30, 1976. January 1 – February 28, 1977.

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101.D.17.1B	3	March 1 – May 31, 1977. June 1 – August 30, 1977. September 1 – December 30, 1977. January 3 – June 30, 1978. July 1 – September 30, 1978. October 2, 1978 – March 30, 1979. April 1 – October 19, 1979. Chronological Correspondence and Miscellaneous Papers (Loose), 1973 – November 1978. 7 folders. The loose correspondence consists mainly of comments on proposed hazardous waste rules. Its difference from the bound correspondence is not clear.

Chemical Waste Landfill Demonstration Project Grant, 1973-1979. 4 boxes.

On May 8, 1975, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced grant EPA S-803744-01 to the MPCA for the demonstration of a chemical land disposal facility. Barr Engineering Company assisted the MPCA in the preparation of this grant request. Although the MPCA received the grant, it contracted with the Metropolitan Waste Control Commission to own and oversee the operation of the disposal facility. In 1976 the firm of Henningson, Durham, and Richardson was selected to be the site selection/facility design consultant. The grant also had a public information/public education component that was contracted to Paragon Companies, Inc. In 1978 the parties to the grant agreed to its termination because a locally acceptable site could not be found.

Location	Box	
101.D.17.2F	4	Official Grant File, 1975-1978. 6 volumes. (The contents list below was taken from an "index" supplied with the files.) Volume 1. January 1975 – December 1976. 1) Internal memos, pre-award. 2) Internal memos, post-award. 3) Monthly progress reports. 4) Communications with agency board. 5) MPCA personnel. 6) ? Volume 2. January 1975 – December 1976. 7) Quarterly reports. 8) Letters from project officer. 9) Letters to project officer. 10) Grant agreement/amendments. 11) Grant regulations. 12) ? Volume 3. January 1975 – December 1976. 13) ? 14) Communication with MWCC. 15) First year work plan. 16) Step 1 contract with HDR. 17) Metropolitan Council. 18) ? Volume 4. January 1977 – December 1978. 1) Contracts, agreements, and related correspondence. 2) Progress reports, including annual, quarterly, and monthly. 3) Ad hoc committee. 4) Grants regulations. 5) Hazardous waste regulations. 6) General information and correspondence.

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101.D.17.2F	4	Volume 5. January 1977 – March 15, 1978. 7) Application, work plan, work tasks, and review. 8) Correspondence relating to page 7. 9) Site selection. 10) Public information program, January 1977 through September 15, 1977. 11) Financial documents. 12) Financial correspondence. Volume 6. Public Information Program, September 15, 1977 – August 1978. <i>[Volume 7, Termination, March-August 1978, was missing when the files were received.]</i>

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101.D.17.3B	5	Barr Engineering Company. “Proposal to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency: Chemical Waste Land Disposal Facility Demonstration Grant Application,” November 1974. 1 volume. Demonstration Grant Application, January 1975. 1 volume. Grant Application: Executive Summary, [1975]. 1 folder. Applications for Grant Continuation, 1976-1978. 1 folder. Grant Application as printed by U.S. EPA, 1975. 1 folder. Work Plans, 1976-1978. 1 folder. Project Summaries and Annual Reports, 1975-1978. 1 folder. Grant Reports , Henningson, Durham, & Richardson [HDR], 1976-1978. 13 volumes, 1 folder. “Summary of Presentation to Metropolitan Waste Control Commission,” [1976]. “Proposal to the Twin Cities Area Metropolitan Waste Control Commission,” February 1976. Proposal to be awarded the consultantship. “Professional Qualifications for Chemical Waste Landfill Disposal Facility Design,” [1976?]. Submitted with the above proposal. “Project Guide,” August 30, 1976. “Draft Site Selection Criteria Manuscript,” September 30, 1976. “Presentation Summary to Metropolitan Waste Control Commission,” December 16, 1976. “Preliminary Site Selection Report,” December 1976. “Chemical Waste Characterization Report,” January 1977. “Search Area Review” (photocopy), October 1977. 1 folder. “Environmental Assessment Worksheets,” February 1978. “Final Report,” March 1977. “Executive Summary,” September 1978.

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101.D.17.3B	5	Grant Reports (cont): “Final Report – Volume I, Site Selection,” September 1978. “Final Report – Volume II, Waste Characterization and Conceptual Design,” September 1978. Public Participation Program Records, 1976-1977. 3 folders, 1 volume. Final Report, [1978?]. 1 volume. Correspondence and Reports, 1976-1977. 3 folders.
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101.D.17.4F	6	Chronological Correspondence and Reports, 1974-1975. 15 volumes. July-December 1974. January-June 15, 1975. June 16-December 1975. January-June 15, 1976. June 16-August 27, 1976. September-October 1976. November 1976-January 1977. February-March 1977.
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101.D.17.5B	7	April-June 15, 1977. June 15-August 1977. September 1977. October 1977-February 1978. March-May 1978. June-November 1978. December 1978-February 1979. Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1974 – November 1977. 4 folders. Advisory Committee Correspondence, 1976-1978. 1 folder. Pesticides Subject File, 1973-1975. 1 folder. Ellendale Pesticides Fire, 1975. 1 folder. Speeches, undated and 1974-1976. 1 folder. Regarding the grant and/or by grant personnel. News Clippings, 1975-1976. 1 folder.