

NDA Submits Comments on PVC Petition Ruling

NDA recently [submitted comments](#) to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding a petition it received from the Center for Biological Diversity (CBD) to promulgate regulations that would list discarded polyvinyl chloride (PVC) as a hazardous waste under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

In positive news for the demolition industry, the EPA [recently issued a preliminary denial](#) of CBD's petition and stated they would not be listing discarded PVC as a hazardous waste under the RCRA. The CBD had been petitioning the EPA to list PVC as a hazardous waste under the RCRA since 2014.

In its comments, NDA supported the EPA's preliminary decision to not list PVC as a hazardous waste under RCRA and expressed concern regarding the negative impact these potential regulations would have on demolition contractors and the construction industry as a whole. NDA will continue to monitor this issue in the coming months.

President Biden to Nominate Julie Su as Next Labor Secretary

President Joe Biden on Tuesday announced he would nominate Julie Su to be the next Secretary of Labor. Su is currently the deputy Labor secretary and will be nominated to replace Marty Walsh, who is departing the Biden Administration to run the professional hockey players' union.

Before joining DOL, Su served in several top posts in California state government, including as labor secretary under Gov. Gavin Newsom. Prior to that she worked as a lawyer for low-wage and immigrant workers, including at a legal aid nonprofit in Los Angeles.

Biden Administration Announces \$1 Billion for Airport Improvements

This week, the Department of Transportation (DOT) [announced](#) they are awarding \$1 billion from the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to improve 99 airports across the country. These projects will be used to build new or expanded terminal facilities, improving security-screening areas, increase access to other modes of transportation or improve roadways, and refurbish their air traffic control towers. A list of projects can be [found here](#).

Tax Deadline Extended to Oct. 16 for Disaster Area Taxpayers in Three States

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) [recently announced](#) that disaster-area taxpayers in most of California and parts of Alabama and Georgia now have until Oct. 16, 2023, to file various federal individual and business tax returns and make tax payments. Previously, the deadline had been postponed to May 15 for these areas.

The IRS is offering relief to any area designated by the [Federal Emergency Management Agency \(FEMA\)](#) in these three states. There are four different eligible FEMA declarations, and the start dates and other details vary for each of these disasters. The current list of eligible localities and other details for each disaster are always available on the [Tax Relief in Disaster Situations](#) page on IRS.gov.

The additional relief postpones until Oct. 16, various tax filing and payment deadlines, including those for most calendar-year 2022 individual and business returns. This includes: Individual income tax

returns, originally due on April 18; Various business returns, normally due on March 15 and April 18; and returns of tax-exempt organizations, normally due on May 15.