



Lucas County
Solid Waste Management District
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November 10, 2017

Paul Rasmusson
City of Toledo
110 Westwood Ave.
Toledo, OH 43607

Re: Lucas County Solid Waste Management District (District)
Solid Waste Management Plan Update Ratification

Dear Mr. Rasmusson:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan for the Lucas County Solid Waste District (District). The development of the solid waste plan is a requirement of Ohio law. Every solid waste management district in Ohio must periodically revise and update their solid waste management plan.

The District held a thirty-day public comment period from September 28, 2017 to October 27, 2017, and a public hearing was held on October 31, 2017 for interested residents, businesses or political jurisdictions to provide comments on the Plan Update.

On November 2, 2017, the District Policy Committee met to discuss and address public comments on the solid waste plan. The District's Policy Committee then adopted the Plan Update with changes made based on public and Policy Committee comment. Once the Policy Committee adopts the Plan Update, Ohio law requires the District to deliver a copy to the County Commissioners and the legislative authority of each municipal corporation and township that are under the District's jurisdiction.

Enclosed you will find the entire solid waste plan and all appendices on a computer disk. The Plan documents are presented in PDF format and will require the latest version of Adobe Reader in order to open the documents. You can go to the following web address to obtain a free copy of the latest Adobe PDF Reader at: <http://get.adobe.com/reader/otherversions>. Also ***attached is a short paper summary of the Solid Waste Plan that should be distributed to all voting elected officials in your jurisdiction*** (ie. 3 trustees, 12 council members, etc.).

The District has chosen the ratification period to be: **November 10, 2017 until February 7, 2018**. **Within ninety days** of receiving a copy of the draft Plan, the Board of County Commissioners and the legislative authority of each municipal corporation and township in the District shall approve or disapprove the draft Plan by ordinance or resolution to the District. The District determines that the Plan has been ratified when a combination of municipal corporations and townships with a combined population comprising 60 percent of the District has approved the Plan. That combination must include the approval of the County Commissioners and the municipal corporation having the largest population within the county of the District.

Because of the 90-day timeframe, which cannot be extended, we would appreciate your immediate attention to this request. A sample resolution is attached for your convenience. Please mail your resolution or ordinance approving or disapproving the Plan to:

Mr. Christopher Pizza
District Manager
Lucas County Solid Waste Management District
1011 Matzinger Rd
Toledo, OH 43612

Phone: (419) 213-2230 **Fax:** (419) 213-2201
Email: cpizza@co.lucas.oh.us

We look forward to hearing from you between **November 10, 2017 until February 7, 2018**. Resolutions approving or disapproving the Plan enacted outside of the time period stated above cannot be counted toward the ratification of the Solid Waste Plan. Because of the 90-day timeframe which cannot be extended, we would appreciate your immediate attention to this request.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the ratification process or the solid waste plan update document. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Christopher Pizza

Christopher Pizza
District Manager

Enclosure

Date: _____

Resolution No. _____

Title: Approval of the Lucas County Solid Waste Management District's Amended Draft Solid Waste Management Plan

District Community: City of Toledo

Contact: _____

Summary/Background: The Plan is prepared in accordance with Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") Section 3734, the State of Ohio's Solid Waste Management Plan and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's guidelines. The Plan also describes strategies and programs that will be implemented to meet or exceed the minimum state waste reduction goals and objectives. The Lucas County Solid Waste Management District ("District") completed the draft amended Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") and submitted it to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for review and comment on November 21, 2016 and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency provided comments in a non-binding advisory opinion on January 5, 2017. The District's Policy Committee has reviewed the non-binding advisory opinion received from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and taken these comments into consideration and incorporated changes into the amended Plan as appropriate. The District has conducted a 30-day comment period from September 28, 2017 to October 27, 2017 and a public hearing was held on October 31, 2017 to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the Plan

Budget Impact: The Plan provides for a fee schedule that generates the required revenue to cover the costs of implementing the strategies and programs designed to meet or exceed the minimum state waste reduction goals and objectives.

Statutory Authority/ORC: 3734.50

Committee Member _____ **offered the following resolution:**

WHEREAS, in consideration of the above, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the: City of Toledo Council Members, Lucas County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. These Members hereby acknowledge receipt of the amended draft plan.

Section 2. The City of Toledo Council Members:

- a. _____ approves the District Solid Waste Management Plan; or
- b. _____ disapproves the District Solid Waste Management Plan

Section 3. The Clerk is hereby directed to send the District a copy of this resolution to the attention of Mr. Christopher Pizza, District Manager, Lucas County Solid Waste Management District, 1011 Matzinger Road, Toledo, OH 43612.

Section 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution/ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Sections 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 5. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Action Taken:

Council Member Ujvagi	voted
Council Member Adams	voted
Council Member Cherry	voted
Council Member Harper	voted
Council Member Ludeman	voted
Council Member Riley	voted
Council Member Spang	voted
Council Member Steel	voted
Council Member Sykes	voted
Council Member Waniewski	voted
Council Member Webb	voted
Council Member Young	voted

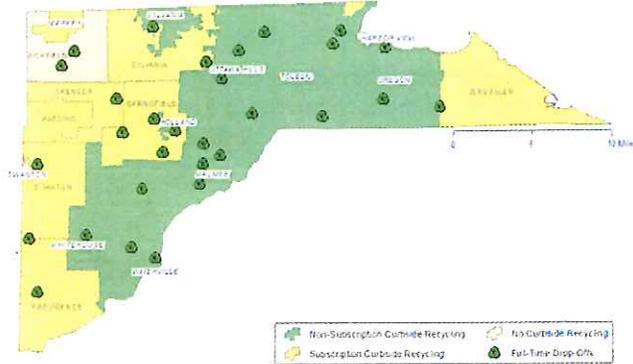
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Lucas County Solid Waste Management District Solid Waste Management Plan Summary

Introduction

The Lucas County Solid Waste District (District) is submitting its updated Solid Waste Management Plan to all cities, villages and townships in Lucas County for approval. This approval process, also known as ratification, is the final step before the District seeks approval from Ohio EPA to implement this new plan.

The following executive summary of the solid waste plan has been created for the elected officials within Lucas County to demonstrate how the District's solid waste plan benefits each community. The District offers a wide variety of programs and initiatives that offers real value to residents, communities, institutions and businesses.



The District's new solid waste plan addresses the following programming: Curbside Recycling, Recycling Drop-off Program, Yard Waste Management, Household Hazardous Waste Management, Lead-Acid Battery Management, Electronics Collection, Scrap Tire Collection, School Recycling, Business Recycling Assistance, Recycling Processing Facility, Waste Assessments/Audits, and Recycling Grants.

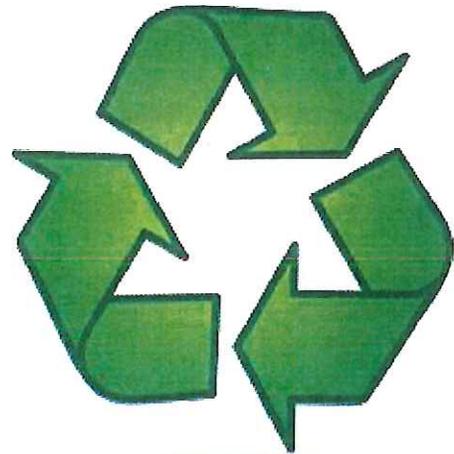
Recycling Programs

The most recent annual district report indicates that the following in place programs designed to divert as much solid waste from landfills as possible include the following:

- Curbside Recycling Programs – **25,127 tons**
- 30 Public and 67 School/Business Drop-off Recycling Programs – **9,655 tons**
- Yard Waste Management Programs/Facilities – **72,469 tons**
- Scrap Tire Recycling – **4,562 tons**
- Commercial Recycling – **7,361 tons**
- Industrial Recycling – **78,018 tons**

Other Key District Programs and Initiatives

- New Permanent HHW and Fluorescent Bulb Collection Program Starting in late 2017
- Development of a Single Stream MRF or Hybrid MRF in 2019 or sooner
- Keep Toledo/Lucas County Beautiful Program
- Toledo/Lucas County Sustainability Commission
- Education and Awareness Presentations and Puppet Shows for schools
- Conduct Presentations, Promotions and Events.
- Community Technical Assistance for Curbside Trash and Recycling Contracts and Consortiums
- Ohio EPA Community and Market Development Grant Assistance
- Waste and Energy audits conducted for local businesses through a partnership with the University of Toledo's Business Waste Reduction Assistance Program (BWRAP)



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Solid Waste Disposal Capacity



This demonstration is one of the fundamental requirements of the solid waste plan. The District conducted a regional capacity analysis that has demonstrated that there is enough disposal capacity for all of the solid waste generated by residents and businesses for the entire planning period.

Goals

The District meets or exceeds all of the State Solid Waste Management Plan goals as required by Ohio EPA with the implementation of the new solid waste plan. The District has demonstrated that over 90% of the population of the county has access to recycling such as curbside and drop-off programs.

Financing the Plan

The District currently funds plan programs and current operations through contract fees for Ohio designated facilities at \$3.00 per ton and Michigan designated facilities at \$5.20 per ton. The District will also continue its current generation fee schedule, which is set at \$2.20 per ton for solid waste delivered to any Ohio landfill or transfer station. In addition, in accordance with ORC 343.08, the District will continue to levy a \$5.00 charge on each improved parcel within the District.

Your Community's Responsibility

Each community in Lucas County will be asked to approve the solid waste plan through the following process:

- Review a copy of the plan
- Act on the plan within 90 days (November 10, 2017 – February 7, 2018) and
- Submit a copy of the legislation to the District.



Failure to act on the plan is considered by the State of Ohio to be a negative vote.

What if the Plan is Not Ratified?

If local ratification does not occur, the Director of Ohio EPA is required, by state statute, to prepare a plan for the District and order the District to implement the state's plan. This could negatively affect the District because local control of our plan would be relinquished to the Ohio EPA.

The plan you will vote on was developed through a local planning process and contains the recommendations, programs and initiatives from the District's Policy Committee. These programs and initiatives will provide for a cost effective and environmentally safe solid waste system for the District and will expand recycling opportunities and increase recycling participation. The District urges communities to learn more about this plan in order to make an informed decision.

For more information, contact the District at (419) 213-2230 or visit online at www.lucascountycycles.org