



Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Constituent Municipalities
FROM: Bradley A. Austin
DATE: July 22, 2020

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SUBJECT: County Wide Transition: Residential Dual to Single Stream Recycling

I hope you and your families are all safe and healthy. This letter is a follow up to my correspondence on May 26, 2020. **Effective October 1, 2020** recyclables to include cardboard, paper, plastic, and metal will be collected together in curbside recycling bins or carts. The same applies for municipality drop off locations offering trailer and/or roll off service to their residents. Currently, curbside or drop off options for separated glass vary across the county. In our new recycling guide and recycle906.com website, county residents are advised to contact their municipality for separated glass collection and/or drop off options.

Reminder:

From **September 1, 2020 until on or around October 15, 2020** the Authority will not be accepting loads of recyclables. We need to complete installation of the new equipment at this time. During this time period, county recyclables will be managed in a variety of ways to include residents holding material until the new program comes online, private hauler internal storage, utilization of alternate processing facilities (until we come online), and temporary storage. The Authority has secured temporary storage for recyclables at KI Sawyer. Please contact your private hauler or the Authority if you are interested in this option. Between all available options, the goal is to keep recyclables out of our landfill.

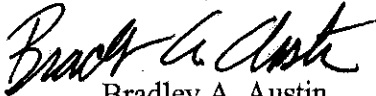
Due to circumstances out of our control, the transition period has presented numerous challenges regarding the construction schedule. In addition, the collection, delivery, and processing of recyclables at MCSWMA. We sincerely apologize for this inconvenience. We anticipate being able to receive loads of single stream recyclables and separated glass on or around **October 15, 2020**. We look forward to accepting and processing all recyclables as soon as possible.

New Program Outreach and Education

I have included a copy of the new Marquette County Recycling Guide with this letter. This information will be direct mailed to all Marquette County residents on or around **September 15, 2020**. At the June 15, 2020 MCSWMA board meeting, I provided a tentative release date for this document on or around August 15, 2020. We feel it is best to push this date forward; closer to the actual start date of residential single stream recycling collection and/or drop off. As an introduction to the new recycling program, the new recycle906.com website will launch later this month. The Authority will execute an intense promotion of the new website.

I thank you all for your patience and support as we transition the county into the new recycling program. If I can assist you in anyway, or if you would like a tour of the facility please contact me directly by phone at 458-0893 or by email at directorrecycle906@gmail.com. Thanks again, and I look forward to working with you all in the future.

Sincerely,



Bradley A. Austin
Director of Operations
MCSWMA

MARQUETTE COUNTY RECYCLING GUIDE



Starting October 1, 2020, place cardboard, paper, plastic, and metal together in your recycling bin or cart. For those items not collected curbside, please contact the MCSWMA at 906.249.4125 for options.

LOOSE IN YOUR CURBSIDE BIN OR CART

1

Cardboard

Remove any shipping materials, break down and flatten boxes.



2

Mixed Paper

Newspapers, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, office paper, cereal and food boxes



3

Plastic Containers

Clean and empty food and beverage containers, soap bottles and jugs, empty pill bottles.



4

Metal Containers

Clean and empty aluminum & metal food and beverage containers.



NOT COLLECTED CURBSIDE



Plastic and Pet
Food Bags



Batteries and
Electronics



Food, Yard, and
Pet Waste



Medical and Household
Hazardous Waste

SEPARATED GLASS COLLECTION OPTIONS



Glass Containers

Clean and empty bottles & jars. No windows or ceramic containers. Contact your municipality for curbside glass collection or drop-off options.

If glass collection or drop-off is not available in your municipality, residents are encouraged to deliver separated glass containers directly to MCSWMA.



Leave it Loose!

All recyclables must be loose in the cart. Bagged recyclables are not sorted and plastic bags get tangled in sorting equipment causing recycling to shut down.



Are You a Wishcycler?

Don't toss questionable items in the recycling bin, hoping they can somehow be recycled. Recycle only the items listed on this card!



Please contact your hauler for issues with curbside collection.

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