

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF ALLEGANY COUNTY



Meeting Minutes January 9, 2018 at 3:00 pm

Allegany County Office Complex, Potomac Meeting Room, 701 Kelly Rd, Cumberland, MD

- Members Present:** Woody Getz, Dick Soderman, Agnes Yount, Raquel Ketterman, Robert Boyce, Wally High, David DeWitt, Stu Czapski, Steven Guinn, Steve Young, and Siera Wigfield
- Members Absent:** Brian Dicken, Terri Hast, Rich Collins, John Wardzinski, and Misty Joy.
- Guests Present:** Alex Kirchhof (Conservation Corps, City of Cumberland), Danny Bloskey, Burgmeier's Hauling
- Next meeting:** February 6, 2019 at 3:00 pm in Potomac Room, 701 Kelly Road Cumberland, MD 21502
Task Force for SWM Plan Progress Report at 2:30

Meeting

- ♻️ Steven Guinn welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made for Danny Bloskey with Burgmeier's Hauling.
- ♻️ A motion was made by Raquel Ketterman to approve the December 5, 2018 minutes, the motion was seconded by Dick Soderman and was unanimously approved.
- ♻️ Steven Guinn called for any addition or corrections to the January 9, 2019 agenda.
 - Woody Getz mentioned the years needed updated on the agenda.
 - Siera Wigfield asked to include Landfill Improvements as "i" under Old Business.

Old Business

Curbside Recycling Update

- ♻️ Raquel Ketterman notified the SWMB that four companies attended the Cumberland Hauling Contracts pre-bid meeting. Only three questions were ultimately asked, so it is her impression that the RFP was well written. Bids are due January 23.
- ♻️ Stu Czapski asked what is the duration of the contract, Raquel responded, 3-year with two additional 1-year extensions.

2017 MRA

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield happily reported the official MRA figures were released by MDE. Allegany County's Recycling rate is 45.15%, with source reduction credits. See attachment.

2019 Priorities

- ♻️ 1: HHW Event 2: Frostburg Yard Waste Site. (See adjacent Table).

NERC Grant Update

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield purchased 40 compost

Points*	2019 SWMB Priorities
12	HHW Event – October 2019
9	Mountainview / Frostburg Yard Waste Recycling Site
6	Cardboard Compactor at Mountainview
5	Citizen Pay Tire Event
4	Ongoing Electronics & Tire Recycling Outreach
1	Comprehensive Collection of Materials at Drop-off Sites
1	Compactors at Refuse Sites (Oldtown)
1	Frostburg Refuse Site Pavment & Othe Improvements
-	Hauler / Collector Resource List
-	Mulch Site Dumping Fine in County Code
-	Letter to local cafeterias to encourage use of composters
-	Public Cooking Oil Collection
-	Christmas Reduce Recycling Guide
-	Board Membership Full
-	Online Reuse Directory
*2 points were given for 1st choices and 1 point was given for 2nd choices	

bins for another Spring Sale & Composting Workshop, tentative date is Saturday April 27. Location it to be determined.

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield reported Waste Management gave the initial OK to locate a Frostburg Mulch Site at the location. Grading plans for future yard waste site and access roads are underway.

Tours and Guest Speakers

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield took a poll on who would be interested in attending a Burgmeier's MRF Tour, 5 folks were interested and 3 folks would be interested in a Prince George's County Compost Site Tour. Siera will organize dates for spring and summer.

Hauling Contract

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield announced the Invitations for Proposals for the County's Solid Waste and Recycling Contracts will be advertised by the end of January. The documents and submissions will be all digital.
- ♻️ **UPDATE:** Invitations for Proposals can be found on the County Website Alleganygov.org, under Bids & Awards, Pre-proposal meetings will take place on February 1, at 11:00 and 11:30 for the respective Solid Waste and Recycling Invitations for Proposals.

Solid Waste Management Plan Progress Report

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield requested a 2:30 task force before the February 6th meeting to revise the Solid Waste Management Plan Progress Report due March 24. Draft Attached.

Landfill Improvements

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield will look into painting the information sign when the weather is nicer. Steve Guinn will draft some mock ups.
- ♻️ Bob Boyce requested for the County to look into the puddles in front of the trash dumpsters. The last milling and paving for the site was in fall of 2017, Siera noted.
- ♻️ Steve Young followed up that in the Landfill Contract, the County is responsible for maintaining the County operated site.

New Business

Keep America Beautiful Affiliation

- ♻️ Attached to the December minutes was a Keep America Beautiful (KAB) Affiliate information. Siera Wigfield asked the Board if they should apply. Stu Czapski asked what kind of organization is KAB? The information sheet states that KAB is a non-profit organization. Steven Guinn highlighted once your organization is KAB affiliate there are grant opportunities to up to \$100,000.00. The Initial fee is \$1,000 since the SWMB is established and has bylaws and representation from various groups, and the reoccurring fee is \$275, based on Allegany County's population
- ♻️ **UPDATE:** There are not any KAB Affiliates in Allegany County, yet. Though Keep Maryland Beautiful is working on getting all main street communities into the program. Siera Wigfield has asked who are the contacts for Cumberland and Frostburg, so we could work together. The County and the main streets can both be KAB Affiliates. There is a KAB National Conference in Baltimore, MD on February 6-8, 2019 <https://www.kab.org/news-info/events/keep-america-beautiful-2019-national-conference> and A Keep Maryland Beautiful Training (free) on Friday, February 8 from 9-noon. Siera Wigfield would like to attend the February 8 event. If anyone is interested in either opportunities please let Siera know ASAP.

MRA 2018

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield is currently working on mailing and emailing 2018 Maryland Recycling Act forms to businesses and organizations. David DeWitt graciously volunteered, again, to work on the data entry portion of the project. Siera Wigfield is delighted to have his assistance.

Household Hazardous Waste Event 2019

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield asked the members of the Board to review the HHW 2019 funding request. Several typos were caught. David DeWitt commented that the letter is rather long, and perhaps a more concise letter explaining the benefits of the event and why it's so important to fund would be more effective, based on his experience receiving such funding request letters.
- ♻️ Raquel Ketterman mentioned Cumberland is pledging \$3,000 for the event and NEFCO is pledging \$1,000.

- ♻️ Woody Getz mentioned when Adam Ritchie attended the December Meeting, he was OK with Frostburg pledging their last amount of \$2,000.
- ♻️ Siera Wigfield mentioned the County applied for the \$5,000 in Chesapeake Bay Trust funding for the HHW event, this funding was granted back in 2017.
- ♻️ Siera Wigfield reiterated the County applied for another \$5,000 in from Keep Maryland Beautiful Clean up and Green Grant for the HHW event.

Board Membership

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield received a letter of nomination for Danny Bloskey from Burgmeier’s Hauling on November 20, 2018. Danny Bloskey grew up in Mount Savage, worked for the Coast Guard, and then as a dispatcher for the Frostburg City Police, he also worked the Landfill Scale House for 8-years, and recently was hired as the Cumberland Manager for Burgmeier’s Hauling. He is familiar with landfill maintenance, leachate testing, MDE permits, from his previous job. And at Burgmeier’s he is working on improving operations and customers service, and goes as far as making house call to solve problems.
- ♻️ A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by David DeWitt, and a unanimous vote was passed to recommend the Commissioners appoint Danny Bloskey to fill the vacant Industry member position.
- ♻️ Siera Wigfield passed around the most recent contact sheet for the Board members, and asked them to update any information. It also became apparent that some members’ 2-year terms have expired. All current members present wanted to continue serving on the SWMB. A motion to renew all current members was made by Stu Czapski and seconded by David DeWitt, and a unanimous vote was passed to recommend the Commissioners renew the following SWMB members:

Name	Organization	Membership Type	Term Expiration
Steve Young	Allegany County Government	Member	Permanent
Paul Kahl	Allegany County Government	Alternate	Permanent
Brian Dicken	Allegany County Health Department	Member	Permanent
Misty Joy	Allegany County Health Department	Alternate	Permanent
Wally High	Board of Education	Member	Permanent
Joseph Stafford	Board of Education	Alternate	Permanent
Stuart Czapski	Chamber of Commerce	Member	Permanent
Maureen Brewer	Chamber of Commerce	Alternate	Permanent
Raquel Ketterman	City of Cumberland	Member	Permanent
Terri Hast	City of Cumberland	Alternate	Permanent
David DeWitt	City of Frostburg	Member	Permanent
Jon Ickes	Hauler/Recycler	Alternate	Jan-2021
Doug McKenzie	Institutional (FSU)	Alternate	Jan-2021
Rich Collins	Hauler/Recycler	Member	Jan-2021
Richard Soderman	Citizen at Large	Member	Jan-2021
Agnes Yount	Citizen at Large	Member	Jan-2021
Woody Getz	Environmental Group (Sierra Club)	Member	Jan-2021
Steven Guinn	Environmental/Technical	Member	Jan-2021
Robin Paulman	Environmental/Technical	Alternate	Jan-2021
Robert Boyce	Institutional (FSU)	Member	Jan-2021
John Wardzinski	Waste Industry	Member	Jan-2021
Paul High	Waste Industry	Alternate	Jan-2021
Danny Bloskey	Industry (Burgmeier’s Hauling)	Member	Jan-2021

- ♻️ (Update: all appointment approved/renewed on Jan 17, 2019, and terms will expire on January 31, 2021)

Committee Reports

Reduce/Reuse

- ♻️ Woody Getz mentioned the Wholesome Harvest Co-Op called You're Callin We're Haulin and they provide great service to haul and move the large refrigerators they purchased.

Recycle/Compost

- ♻️ Siera Wigfield asked the Board if they had any suggestions to place waste receptacles at the Penn-Mar and LaVale recycling sites. Currently the users leave their bags in tubes or tie the on the bins and they often become litter. Suggestion included bolted down containers with small openings.

Landfill

- ♻️ No report this month

Task Force

- ♻️ February 6, 2019 at 2:30 Task Force to review the Solid Waste Management Plan Progress Report is due March 24, 2019.

Education

No report this month

Meeting Adjourned at 4:32 pm

Attachments: 2017 MRA Figures, Draft SWM Plan Progress Report, HHW Letters

Minutes prepared by Siera Wigfield, Recycling Coordinator, and reviewed by Steven Guinn, Chair.

Calendar 2017 Maryland Waste Diversion Rates & Tonnages

County	Total MRA (tons)*	MRA Recyclables (tons)	No-Ash MRA Recycling Rate**	Material sent to RRF	RRF Credit Eligible (>5%)	Harford RRF Reduction of 50%	Wheelabrator RRF Reduction of 50%	Smith Island RRF Reduction of 50%	5% Recycling Credit (tons)	Recycling Rate with 5% RRF Credit	Source Reduction Credit^	Source Reduction (tons)***	Total Tonnage Diverted****	MRA Waste Diversion Rate*****	Non-MRA Recyclables (tons)	Non-MRA Waste (tons)	Total Waste (tons)^^	Overall Waste Diversion Rate^^^
Allegany ^P	103,516.25	43,635.25	42.15%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	42.15%	3%	3,201.53	46,836.78	45.15%	362,812.59	14,512.00	480,840.84	87.53%
Anne Arundel	702,035.11	287,746.65	40.99%	23,292.75	No	YES	YES	YES	0	40.99%	5%	36,949.22	324,695.87	45.99%	372,995.87	192,563.59	1,267,594.57	57.13%
Baltimore City	647,378.21	122,664.40	18.95%	381,687.58	Yes	YES	YES	YES	32,368.91	23.95%	4%	26,974.09	182,007.40	27.95%	513,615.38	480,789.38	1,641,782.97	44.73%
Baltimore County	1,070,493.89	367,181.98	34.30%	283,528.38	Yes	YES	YES	YES	53,524.69	39.30%	5%	56,341.78	477,048.46	44.30%	492,748.17	292,565.47	1,855,807.53	54.22%
Calvert ^P	66,977.63	15,296.25	22.84%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	22.84%	0%	0.00	15,296.25	22.84%	97,570.66	36,499.22	201,047.51	56.14%
Carroll	242,668.36	115,027.86	47.40%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	47.40%	5%	12,772.02	127,799.88	52.40%	350,745.89	32,581.00	625,995.25	79.41%
Cecil ^P	147,394.00	81,298.00	55.16%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	55.16%	4%	6,141.42	87,439.42	59.16%	2,610.93	29,972.00	179,976.93	50.62%
Charles	149,684.80	69,225.49	46.25%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	46.25%	4%	6,236.87	75,462.36	50.25%	458,393.09	94,110.56	702,188.45	79.14%
Dorchester ^P	36,016.45	3,159.81	8.77%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	8.77%	1%	363.80	3,523.61	9.77%	57,551.47	72,718.90	166,286.82	37.51%
Frederick	221,878.05	93,454.05	42.12%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	42.12%	5%	11,677.79	105,131.84	47.12%	99,464.44	76,766.51	398,109.00	53.46%
Garrett ^P	39,485.41	19,074.41	48.31%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	48.31%	1%	398.84	19,473.25	49.31%	15,996.82	8,212.00	63,694.23	56.06%
Harford	240,911.71	98,551.71	40.91%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	40.91%	5%	12,679.56	111,231.27	45.91%	30,603.83	32,239.06	303,754.60	47.52%
Howard	543,552.91	239,494.77	44.06%	15,722.10	No	YES	YES	YES	0	44.06%	5%	28,608.05	268,102.82	49.06%	74,104.02	123,598.24	741,255.17	47.31%
Mid-Shore ^P	252,301.03	134,907.62	53.47%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	53.47%	0%	0.00	134,907.62	53.47%	132,380.39	42,336.22	427,017.64	62.59%
Montgomery	1,103,048.89	616,732.68	55.91%	581,453.71	No	YES	YES	YES	0.00	55.91%	5%	58,055.20	674,787.88	60.91%	123,415.04	263,704.71	1,490,168.64	54.67%
Prince George's	907,542.29	506,513.11	55.81%	547.19	No	YES	YES	YES	0	55.81%	5%	47,765.38	554,278.49	60.81%	472,625.76	416,487.23	1,796,655.28	59.50%
Somerset ^P	26,787.80	9,527.80	35.57%	78.70	No	YES	YES	YES	0	35.57%	0%	0.00	9,527.80	35.57%	8,444.80	9,117.00	44,349.60	40.52%
St. Mary's ^P	85,833.75	25,668.86	29.91%	2,939.16	No	YES	YES	YES	0	29.91%	3%	2,654.65	28,323.51	32.91%	27,417.78	19,992.00	133,243.53	42.84%
Washington	143,296.44	70,982.44	49.54%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	49.54%	0%	0.00	70,982.44	49.54%	26,239.28	25,440.29	194,976.01	49.86%
Wicomico ^P	282,970.84	163,134.25	57.65%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	57.65%	0%	0.00	163,134.25	57.65%	81,326.84	30,168.00	394,465.68	61.97%
Worcester ^P	98,254.22	32,177.56	32.75%	0.00	No	YES	YES	YES	0	32.75%	0%	0.00	32,177.56	32.75%	24,909.67	24,431.19	147,595.08	38.68%
Roads Data	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	467,471.00	N/A	467,471.00	N/A
MARYLAND TOTALS	7,112,028.04	3,115,454.95	43.81%	1,289,249.57					85,893.61	45.01%	4.19%	310,820.22	3,512,168.77	49.20%	4,293,443.72	2,318,804.57	13,724,276.33	58.80%

EPA 6,652,095.45 2,688,703.36 40.42%
 Decrease Increase from previous year
 MRA + Non MRA Recycling Rate (No 5% Credit) 53.98389315
 MRA Recycling + RRF Credit Tons 3,201,348.56
 county non-mra = 3,825,972.72
 recycling total = 7,408,898.67

* Total MRA = MRA Recyclables + MRA Waste - MSW Ash Recycled - Backend Scrap Metal Recycled
 ** MRA Recycling Rate = MRA Recyclables (tons) ÷ Total MRA (tons)
 *** Source Reduction (tons) = (Total MRA (tons) ÷ (1 - Source Reduction Credit)) - Total MRA (tons)
 **** Total Tonnage Diverted = MRA Recyclables (tons) + RRF Credit (tons) + Source Reduction (tons)
 ***** No-Ash MRA Waste Diversion Rate = MRA Recycling Rate + Source Reduction Credit
 ^ Source Reduction Credit for Maryland = Source Reduction (tons) ÷ (Total MRA (tons) + Source Reduction (tons))
 ^^ Total Waste (tons) = Total MRA (tons) + Non-MRA Recyclables (tons) + Non-MRA Waste (tons)
 ^^ Overall Waste Diversion Rate = ((MRA Recyclables (tons) + Non-MRA Recyclables (tons) + 5% Recycling Credit (tons)) ÷ Total Waste (tons)) + Source Reduction Credit

County	Total Waste
Allegany	480,841
Anne Arundel	1,267,595
Baltimore City	1,641,783
Baltimore County	1,855,808
Calvert	201,048
Carroll	625,995
Cecil	179,977
Charles	702,188
Dorchester	166,287
Frederick	398,109
Garrett	63,694
Harford	303,755
Howard	741,255
Mid-Shore	427,018
Montgomery	1,490,169
Prince George's	1,796,655
Somerset	44,350
St. Mary's	133,244
Washington	194,976
Wicomico	394,466
Worcester	147,595
MARYLAND TOTALS	13,256,805

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March 7, 2019

Tariq Masood, PMP
Project Manager
Resource Management Program
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RE: Progress Report- Allegany County Solid Waste Management Plan

Dear Mr. Masood:

On November 23, 2015 Maryland Department of the Environment approved Allegany County's Solid Waste Management Plan. The County sent a progress report on March 3, 2017 providing a list of key accomplishments and items we are working on to implement. This is an updated Progress Report containing a summary of Allegany County's Solid Waste and Recycling program accomplishments and other projects we are working on implementing.

Accomplishments

2017 Household Hazardous Waste Event

Allegany County, City of Cumberland, NEFCO, City of Frostburg, Town of Lonaconing, Advanced Disposal, Burgmeier's Hauling, Chesapeake Bay Trust, WEIS Markets, and Mountainview Landfill LLC sponsored a residential Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Event on Saturday September 9, 2017 at the Allegany County Fairgrounds. The County would like to continue offering this event biennially. Allegany County utilized MES's contract with Clean Ventures LLC. to collect and responsibly dispose of the HHW collected. The event traffic totaled 219 cars and 16,600 lbs. of waste collected. During this event the County contracted Yuck Old Paint to recycle latex paint, the residents were charged a flat \$2 fee per container. The event cost a total of \$19,807.00 Allegany County looks to hold the next HHW Event in the Fall of 2019 at the Allegany County Fairgrounds, pending budget approval. (see attached 2017 Event summary)

2018 Tire Event

The last grant for a Citizen Scrap Tire Collection was in October 2013, this event was funding through MDE. Tire event funding has not been offered and unfortunately, the residents of Allegany County were trained to save their tires for free or low-cost collections. The County Recycling Office is working on outreach to let residents know about the County's on-going tire collection at a fee of \$3.00 per tire at three permitted residential refuse sites.

In order to clean up the "backlog" of tires, the County Commissioners funded a one-day tire recycling event on Saturday, October 5, 2018. Citizens were charged a fee of \$1 per tire, and were permitted up to 20 tires. The event traffic totaled 521 vehicles and 8,799 tires were collected from 8am -1pm. The event cost \$9,160.00. The Recycling Office has reached out the Farm Bureau to encourage them to request Agricultural Tire Funding from MDE to hold Ag Tire Events in partnership with the County Recycling Office. (see attached 2018 Event summary)

Plastic Film Recycling Challenge- Educating the Next Generation of Recyclers

Allegany County Solid Waste and Recycling Program has always worked well with the Board of Education and private schools to implement programs, such as the Telephone Book Recycling Campaign. During the last few years of the 25-year-old Telephone book Recycling Campaign the total number of telephone books collected continued to decrease. The County has partnered with Trex Recycling and the all of the public and private schools in Allegany County participate in the Trex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge from America Recycles Day to Earth Day. In 2017-2018 5.78 tons of plastic bags and stretch film was collected! In fact, two elementary schools won the Trex Benches for being top collectors in the Mid-Atlantic Regions, based on school size. In addition, the schools overwhelmed the local retailers with the amount of plastic film collected; so Penn-Mar Recycling, the County's processor and marketer of most recycled materials has agreed to process the plastic film and market it to Trex. We have kicked off the 2018-2019 Plastic Film Recycling Challenge and the participation is going strong.

Special Events Recycling

Allegany County Recycling encourages event holders to provide recycling for their events. There are often the following hurdles to actually accomplish recycling at events in Allegany County:

1. Sorted Recycled Material – All of Allegany County's recycling is source separated so event holders must determine which recyclables they plan to collect.
2. Collection Containers- A bin is needed for each type of recyclable, and should be placed next to trash receptacles according to best practices
3. Transportation- After the recyclables are collected at the events they must be taken to Penn-Mar to be recycled.

Allegany County Recycling has applied for the Keep America Beautiful / Coca-Cola Bin Grant, with hopes to have a set of recycling bins for event holders to borrow. The County is developing forms and guides to make event recycling easier.

Reuse Directory Update 2017

In our continued efforts encouraging source reduction, the County publishes a Reuse Directory that is updated every three years. The Reuse Directory was updated in December 2017, see the attached Reuse Directory.

Back Yard Composting Workshops and Compost Bin Sales

Allegany County has been working with the Northeast Recycling Council made possible by USDA grant with the goals of reducing food waste. Athena Lee Bradley, a composting expert has lent her technical skills to help train the residents of Allegany County how to start composting in their backyards. In addition, the County was able to provide 82 gallon compost bins to residents for \$20 each through the BackyardComposting.org. 60 bins were sold in the Spring of 2018 and plans have been made to hold another sale and workshops in Spring 2019.

Future Goals 2019 – 2024

Food Waste Reduction Strategies

Allegany County would like to reduce the amount of food waste in the landfill. Commercial/ Large Scale Composting is currently not offered or planned. Fortunately, composting is not the only way to reduce food waste. The Allegany County Solid Waste Management Board hopes to partner with the Western Maryland Food bank and Western Maryland Food Council to write letters to restaurants and markets encouraging them to divert items to the food bank to feed people. We also hope target large institutional cafeterias to consider purchasing a Rocket Composter, like the one in the Frostburg State University Cafeteria, to compost their food waste on site. In addition, as part of the County's overall source reduction outreach, we are encouraging residents to buy less food and eat leftovers to reduce food waste and save money.

Offering More Recycling Materials

Allegheny County want to provide outlets for the following items for public disposal, cooking oil, propane tanks, plastic film, and polypropylene containers (#5). These items are often requested and other Maryland Counties offer outlets. Any assistance MDE can provide would be

Western County Yard Waste Recycling Site

One of the key recommendations in the introduction of the SWMP is to establish a Yard Waste Recycling Site in western Allegheny County. The County operates a Yard Waste Recycling Site east of Cumberland and would like to provide a similar site near Frostburg. Currently the County is finding a location for the site, and hope to have it operational in a year.

I hope that this letter will satisfy the requirements of the Progress Report. If you have any questions or require additional information, do not hesitate to contact me, 301-876-9563 or swigfield@alleganygov.org, or Paul Kahl, Director of Public Works, 301-777-5933x211.

Sincerely,



Siera Wigfield
Recycling Coordinator
Allegheny County Public Works

Cc: Paul Kahl, Director of Public Works
Solid Waste Management Board

Attachments:
2017 Household Hazardous Waste Event Infographic Summary
2018 Tire Event Infographic Summary
2017 Reuse Directory

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STREET

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Re: Funding Request for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event in Fall 2019

Dear __:

Allegany County Solid Waste Management Board is requesting your support to hold the biennial Household Hazardous Waste Event for the residents of Allegany County.

Household Hazardous Waste or HHW is any material or chemical that is toxic, flammable, corrosive, explosive, or reactive. Allegany County residents will have the opportunity to safely dispose of pesticides, oil-based paints, mercury thermometers, old gasoline, cleaning products, insecticides, propane tanks, florescent light bulbs, and other hazardous materials. When improperly tossed in the trash, dumped down a drain, or illegally discarded elsewhere, these waste products pollute our water supplies, compromise our drinking water, and threaten public health. **The HHW event is often the only safe way to dispose of these items locally, so the need to hold HHW regular collection events is very important.**

During the 2017 Household Hazardous Waste Event 16,600 pounds of HHW which were properly disposed at no cost to the residents. Paint recycling was also offered, for a fee of \$2 per container.

We estimate that a one-day HHW collection event in 2019 will cost about \$20,000. While we expect the County Commissioners to contribute the bulk of the required funding, the SWMB realizes this is a significant amount of money and has begun applying for grant funding and partnerships to help defray the cost.

The Allegany County Solid Waste Management Board respectfully requests your (municipality/company/organization) (include an allowance in your FY 2020 budget to pledge an amount/pledge an amount) to help fund the HHW event in the Fall of 2019. Contributors will be recognized in event promotions and follow-ups. A detailed accounting of cost will be provided to all contributors, and funds will be invoiced in accordance with the percentage they represent of the total funds received.

Thank you for consideration of this important request. Please feel free to contact Siera Wigfield, Recycling Coordinator 301-876-9563 or swigfield@alleganygov.org with your pledge, any questions, or suggestions you may have.

Sincerely,

Steven Guinn, Chair
Allegany County Solid Waste Management Board

cc: Brandon S. Butler, County Administrator
Paul F. Kahl, P.E. Director of Public Works
Allegany County SWM Board Members