



MEMORANDUM

Date: June 2, 2015

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "CHH", is written over the printed name "C.H. Huckelberry".

Re: **Status Report on Solid Waste Transition to Services Provided by Tucson Recycling and Waste Services**

The attached May 28, 2015 memorandum from the Director of Environmental Quality discusses the status of the transition of solid waste services to private contractor Tucson Recycling and Waste Services and the services provided. This marks the second anniversary of this transition of these services to a private operator.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact me.

CHH/anc

Attachment

c: John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works
Ursula Nelson, Director, Department of Environmental Quality



PIMA COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 28, 2015

TO: C. H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

FROM: Ursula Nelson
Director, PDEQ

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RE: Solid Waste Anniversary Update

Two years have passed since the transition of our solid waste services to a private contractor, Tucson Recycling and Waste Services (TRWS). This memo presents information regarding solid waste activities and operations over the past year.

On June 2, 2013, TRWS began operating the County's solid waste facilities under contract to the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ). TRWS is required to provide equal or better services to the residents of Pima County. TRWS continues to meet that requirement and to demonstrate responsiveness and dedication to providing excellent customer service. PDEQ solid waste staff continue to maintain oversight of the contract, maintenance of County structures, and are responsible for all environmental compliance activities as well as management of facilities not operated by TRWS and for all activities at historic solid waste facilities in the County.

Services Currently Provided

TRWS continues to operate all of the County's facilities with the exception of the Tangerine Landfill which is near capacity and currently not accepting waste from the public. The Pima County Waste Tire Collection Facility, formerly operated by TRWS at the Tangerine Landfill, is now operated by Crumb Rubber Manufacturing (CRM) at the Ina Road site. In accordance with the fee schedule approved by the Board, TRWS will increase most fees at the landfills and transfer stations on July 1, 2015 (see attached ordinance).

Ajo Landfill

TRWS operates the County's landfill in Ajo, AZ. TRWS continues to accept waste tires for collection by the County's waste tire recycler, CRM. TRWS continues to accept recycling in Ajo. This is a service provided by TRWS that was not previously available when the County operated the landfill. With the beginning of their contract two years ago, and as approved by the Board, TRWS implemented landfill fees for the first time at this facility. There is also a reduced

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economic hardship fee and approximately 70 residents are paying the reduced fee. Although residents at all other Pima County locations must complete the low-income demonstration through the County's Community Services Department, residents in Ajo may self-certify to receive the low income discount.

Sahuarita Landfill

The Sahuarita Landfill continues to operate consistent with previous County operations. The landfill will be nearing capacity before the end of the year and will cease to accept municipal waste from the public at that time. However, TRWS will construct and operate a transfer station at the site of the landfill to continue accepting municipal waste and recycling without interruption.

Ryan Field Transfer Station

TRWS continues to operate the transfer station consistent with previous County operations. There are no plans for any changes at the facility.

Catalina Transfer Station

TRWS continues to accept commercial and residential municipal waste, green waste and recycling.

Tangerine Landfill

The Tangerine Landfill has nearly reached its capacity and is no longer accepting municipal waste from the public. The remaining capacity is reserved for future use by the County. PDEQ and TRWS are evaluating possible haul routes from the Marana Regional Landfill to the Tangerine Landfill in order to develop the most cost effective route to transport final cover material for eventual closure of the landfill. TRWS has repaired all the exterior side slopes and erosion damage from last year's rainfall. TRWS performed this service at no additional cost to Pima County.

Ina Road Landfill

The Ina Road Landfill previously accepted construction and demolition (C&D) waste but was closed July 1, 2010 due to limited revenue generated at the site. TRWS, at their own expense, regraded and repaired an eroded side slope immediately adjacent to The Loop. They repaired all erosion damage and pulled the 2:1 slopes back to a much more manageable 3:1 slope.

Waste Tire Program

The County's waste tire program is operated by CRM at the Ina Road facility. The waste tire program is funded by an allocation from the State based on a fee added to the sale of new tires and distributed based on the number of registered motor vehicles in Pima County (not from the general fund). These funds are restricted for use on the tire program.

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Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

Although the County is no longer participating with the City of Tucson in the HHW program, TRWS is still accepting all of the material historically collected at the solid waste sites. TRWS has committed to maintaining the ABOP (antifreeze, batteries, oil, paint) sites at all landfills and transfer stations and has expanded to also accept used cooking oil. TRWS was able to include this service at no additional cost to the County or to people using the facility.

Summary

Private operations of the County's solid waste facilities continue to proceed very smoothly. Services have either remained the same or expanded. TRWS has been very responsive in addressing any needs and issues to improve customer service and operations. The remaining solid waste staff members manage the TRWS contract and provide oversight, as well as ensuring regulatory environmental compliance at all County-owned facilities and managing the County's historic solid waste sites.

We are available to discuss this issue further at your convenience.

UKN/vb

Attachments: SW Ordinance (fee increases)

cc: John M. Bernal, Deputy County Administrator
Dave Eaker, Deputy Director for SW, PDEQ
Richard Grimaldi, Deputy Director for EQ, PDEQ

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ORDINANCE NUMBER 2013-35

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; REPEALING THE EXISTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR PIMA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE FACILITIES AND ADOPTING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE FOR PIMA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE FACILITIES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 2 of Pima County Ordinance Number 2010-41 is repealed.

Section 2. The Fee Schedule for Pima County's Solid Waste Facilities (Landfills and Transfer Stations) is adopted as follows.

FEE SCHEDULE FOR LANDFILLS AND TRANSFER STATIONS

A. COMMERCIAL HAULERS

The fees for commercial haulers shall be prorated fractionally based on tonnage.

September 6, 2013	July 1, 2014	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2016	July 1, 2017
TANGERINE LANDFILL				
\$30/ton (minimum \$10)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SAHUARITA LANDFILL				
\$32.50/ton (minimum \$15)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AJO LANDFILL				
\$8/CY loose	\$8/CY loose	\$10/CY loose	\$11/CY loose	\$12/CY loose
\$12/CY Compacted	\$13/CY compacted	\$14/CY compacted	\$15/CY compacted	\$16/CY compacted
Green Waste Disposal				
\$10/Pick-up truck	\$10/Pick-up truck	\$11/Pick-up truck	\$12/Pick-up truck	\$13/Pick-up truck
\$20/Pick-up truck w/trailer	\$20/Pick-up truck w/trailer	\$22/Pick-up truck w/trailer	\$24/Pick-up truck w/trailer	\$25/Pick-up truck w/trailer
CATALINA TRANSFER STATION				
\$39/ton (minimum \$10)	\$40.95/ton (minimum \$15)	\$42.95/ton (minimum \$17.50)	\$45.10/ton (minimum \$20)	\$46.50/ton (minimum \$22.50)
SAHUARITA TRANSFER STATION				
N/A	\$40.95/ton (minimum \$15)	\$42.95/ton (minimum \$17.50)	\$45.10/ton (minimum \$20)	\$46.50/ton (minimum \$22.50)
INA ROAD LANDFILL (Construction Debris ONLY)				
Construction debris, loose or compacted; land clearing plant debris; clean landscaping green waste; and inert material			\$30/ton (minimum \$10)	

ALL SOLID WASTE FACILITIES	
Non-Standard Waste Fee	\$100/ton
Special Handling Fee	\$75/load
Evaluation Fee	\$150/evaluation
Uncovered Load Fee	\$20/load

B. RESIDENTIAL HAULERS

The fees for Residential haulers at, or above, one ton will be prorated fractionally based on tonnage.

September 6, 2013	July 1, 2014	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2016	July 1, 2017
TANGERINE LANDFILL				
\$10/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
\$30/ton	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SAHUARITA LANDFILL				
\$15/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
\$32.50/ton	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AJO LANDFILL				
\$5/truck	\$5/truck	\$6/truck	\$6/truck	\$7/truck
\$3/car	\$3/car	\$3/car	\$3/car	\$3/car
CATALINA TRANSFER STATION				
\$10/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$15/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$17.50/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$20/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$22.50/vehicle (less than 1 ton)
\$30/ton	\$35/ton	\$39/ton	\$41/ton	\$43/ton
RYAN FIELD TRANSFER STATION				
\$5/vehicle	\$7/vehicle	\$8/vehicle	\$9/vehicle	\$10/vehicle
SAHUARITA TRANSFER STATION				
N/A	\$15/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$17.50/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$20/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$22.50/vehicle (less than 1 ton)
N/A	\$35/ton	\$39/ton	\$41/ton	\$43/ton
INA ROAD LANDFILL (Construction Debris ONLY)				
Construction debris, loose or compacted; land clearing plant debris; clean landscaping green waste; and inert material			\$30/ton (minimum \$10)	
ALL SOLID WASTE FACILITIES				
Uncovered Load Fee	\$20/load			

C. WASTE TIRE COLLECTION

WASTE TIRE COLLECTION SITE	
Standard, on-road tires	\$30/ton (minimum \$15)
Non-Standard, off-road tires	\$150/ton (minimum \$30)
Tires with rims	\$75/load (in addition to tonnage fee)
Special Handling Fee	\$75/load (in addition to tonnage fee)

Section 3. This Ordinance is effective 31 days after the date of its adoption.

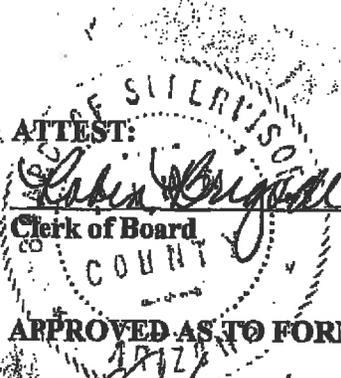
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona, this
6th day of August, 2013



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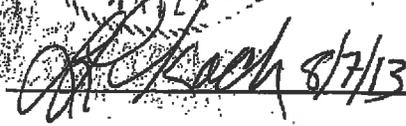
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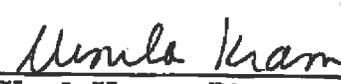
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Deputy County Attorney

REVIEWED BY:



Ursula Kramer, Director

Department of Environmental Quality