



Clinton County Source



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Wayne Township Landfill Wins National Award



Each year the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) provides its members with the opportunity to apply for excellence awards in several categories. In April 2005 the Authority applied for the Solid Waste Management Systems Excellence Award. The applications are judged on environmental compliance, program efficiency, effectiveness and innovation. This was the first time that the Authority has applied for the excellence award and received the Bronze Award for the category. The national awards were presented at a special luncheon at SWANA's annual waste conference (WASTECON) held in September, in Austin, Texas. Several Authority board members and staff attended the conference to accept the award.

What Is That Mist?

The Wayne Township Landfill employs the use of what we call an "odor curtain" to assist with deodorizing the air that is blown across SR 220 from the landfill. The system uses a scented, odor neutralizing agent which is mixed with water and pumped through a 1000' line along the highway.

The system is connected to a wind sensor. So when the wind is blowing towards the highway the "odor curtain" is operating and when the wind is blowing in a different direction the "odor curtain" is inactive. During operation, the spray or mist could be construed as smoke.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event



Our 3rd Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event was held in August 2005 and was an incredible success. The two day event was open to all Clinton County residents free of charge thanks, in part, to our generous corporate sponsors. Over 270 households participated in the collection event and over 35,000 pounds of HHW was collected. We also collected over 400 gallons of used motor oil and 2,000 pounds of vehicle batteries. Just as a reminder, used motor oil and vehicle batteries can be dropped off at our recycling center anytime during normal working hours.



Recycling Means Business In PA

The economic benefits brought to Pennsylvania through recycling have been significant, through job creation and retention, new and expanded businesses, and spin-off economic activity.

Recent studies by both the Northeast Recycling Council (NERC) and the National Recycling Coalition have documented and detailed those benefits. In Pennsylvania alone, NERC's study counted more than:

- 3,000 recycling businesses
- 81,000 people employed in the recycling industry
- \$2.9 billion in payroll
- \$18.4 billion in annual sales
- \$305 million in tax receipts



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Message from the General Manager

It's hard to believe that fall is here and the year is almost gone. I would like to take this opportunity to give everyone a quick update on what is happening at the Solid Waste Authority.

The Authority employs 37 people, and everyone wears many hats. Some of these jobs are very dangerous if employees are not given the proper training and education. We have worked over seven months (214 days) without a "lost time" accident. Our Safety Committee meets at least once a month to review and recommend training and improvements in our working practices. We have had great results from this group.

Over the past few months you may have read about our involvement with the regional sewer issues. We decided to offer our assistance with the regional holding tank project as an incubator for a regional approach to the county's future sewer needs. Working individually, we can not progress at the pace that we can if we work together. Funding for this project is coming from our Landfill Expansion Fund. We decided to use these funds, fully realizing that without new growth in our county, the long-term plans of the Solid Waste Authority would be greatly altered, if not eliminated, and there may be no need for expansion. We hope that ultimately this project will provide benefits to every county resident; and, considering the progress that the committee has already made, it definitely will.

Just recently, we received approval to increase our daily and quarterly maximum tonnage limits to 1500 and 1200 tons respectively. This gives us the ability to handle spikes in daily volume without creating severe scheduling problems for our customers. It will also allow us to better handle large clean-up projects when they occur in our communities. In the past, we have missed out on many large volume projects because our daily maximum limit was too low.

Our latest survey results show approximately 12 years of capacity remaining. By operating the Authority efficiently for the next several years, we should be well prepared financially to start re-development of the old north-side landfill.

These are just a few things that support the services we provide to ensure that we will be able to continue to provide for the area's future waste needs. We look forward to serving our customers and doing everything we can to utilize the resources we manage to the maximum potential and to make your experience with us a pleasant one.

Thanks for a great year. We wish everyone in the community a safe and happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

*Jay Alexander
General Manager*

Wayne Township Landfill holds 5th Annual John B. Hoy, Jr. Memorial Charity Golf Tournament

With the fall season also comes the annual charity golf tournament hosted by the Wayne Township Landfill, which is owned and operated by the Clinton County Solid Waste Authority. The tournament was named in memory of John B. Hoy, Jr. who was a long time member of the Clinton County Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors, and was instrumental in making the tournament a reality.

In past years the tournament has raised over \$17,000 for the Lock Haven Dialysis Unit, Millbrook Playhouse, Ross Library, the Clinton County Women's Center, The Second Mile Program, Project Coffeehouse and the American Cancer Society. This year's tournament raised \$7,000 which was donated to the Clinton County Shrine Club, to assist children from Clinton County being treated at their affiliated hospitals.

If you have questions about our tournament or would like more information about the organizations that we donate to, please contact Jay Alexander or Thresa Walker.



Brush and Yard Waste Reminder!!!

It is old news that the WTL accepts brush and yard waste (BYW) free of charge during our regular business hours. With the change of seasons and leaf fall soon on its way, comes more yard work. Therefore, the WTL would like to take this opportunity to recommend to everyone that instead of burning this material and creating air pollution, to bring it to the landfill where we will recycle the BYW and use it in our mulch production. This also includes Christmas Trees used during the holiday season. For more information on BYW please contact us.

REMINDERS

- **Mulch** – The Wayne Township Landfill continues to sell landscape mulch. Wayne Township Residents are allowed to receive up to 10 yards free with proof of residency.
- **Tours** – Tours of the landfill and recycling center are typically 1.5 to 2 hours long. If your group would like to schedule a tour please contact us at 570-769-6977 to make a reservation.

Commercial Recycling



The Authority's recycling program is growing again! We now have 32 and 68 gallon wheeled recycling carts to offer to county businesses. The carts have a hinged lid so they can be used inside or outside, and the large wheels make the carts easy to move when full.

The carts can be used to recycle aluminum & tin cans, glass bottles & jars, plastic bottles, newspaper, and office paper.

Please contact us at your earliest convenience to find out more about this very economical program.

Curbside Recycling

Have you considered the convenience of curbside recycling? The Solid Waste Authority will stop by your home every two (2) weeks and pick up your recyclables for a nominal annual fee of \$30 (\$2.50 per month). Recycling should help to reduce your garbage bill and minimize those trips to the county recycling drop-off sites. We have curbside collection programs in Flemington, Mill Hall, Avis, Woolrich, Dunnstown, Castanea, McElhattan, Beech Creek and Renovo. We are currently under contract with the City of Lock Haven to provide this service to all city residents. If you are a resident of the City, please call 893-5900 for details.



When you subscribe to this convenient service you will be given a box to place your recyclables in. You will also be given information on the materials we collect and directions on how to prepare the materials for recycling.

The materials we collect include:

- Aluminum & Tin Cans
- Clear/Brown/Green Glass Bottles & Jars
- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Junk Mail
- No. 1 & No. 2 Plastic Bottles.

All of the materials can be placed in the box as noted in the directions. It is that simple. Please feel free to call us with any questions you may have.

Clinton County Municipal Drop-Off Recycling Sites

CCSWA Recycling Center, McElhattan	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, MG, CB, OP, JM, P1 & P2, MO, BA		
Bald Eagle Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Beech Creek Borough Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Castanea Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2		
Chapman Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB, MG		
City of Lock Haven	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, MG, CB, OP, JM, P1 & P2		
Crawford Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Colebrook Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2		
Greene Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Kettle Creek State Park	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP		
Lamar Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2		
Leidy Township Building - Crossfork & Tamarack	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2		
Loganton Borough Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Logan Township Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Mill Hall Borough Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Pine Creek Township-Chatham Run & Harrisland	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Porter Township Community Building	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP		
Porter Township - Conservation District/Extension	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB, OP, MG, JM		
Swissdale United Methodist Church	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
Woodward Township Route 664	CG, BG, GG, A/S/T, NP, P1 & P2, CB		
CG - Clear Glass	A/S/T - Alum, Steel, Tin cans	MG - Magazines	OP - Office Paper
BG - Brown Glass	NP - Newspaper	CB - Corrugated Cardboard	JM - Junk Mail
GG - Green Glass	P1 & P2 - #1 and #2 Plastics Bottles	MO - Motor Oil	BA - Vehicle Batteries

Know of an Illegal Dumpsite?



PA CleanWays of Clinton County is continuing the effort to clean-up illegal dumpsites within our county. If you know of an area that you would consider one of these eyesores, our organization would like to hear from you. We would like to help you or your organization clean-up one of those sites.

Give us a call at 893-4123 to discuss how our organization may be able to help your clean-up wishes come true. CleanWays can help your group have a safe clean-up, getting rid of the trash at an acceptable facility in our area. If our work interests you and you would like to support our clean-up efforts by becoming a member, please also call the above number for membership information.

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