

Solid Waste Management Plan: TAC Meeting #3

1/29/26



Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Public Survey Results
3. Community Workshop Results
4. Review Draft Goals
5. Discuss Implementation Planning
6. Next Steps
 - Complete Worksheet - Draft Implementation Plans
 - Next Meeting: March 12th at 10:30 am
7. Adjourn

Public Survey

- **Waste Collection Satisfaction:** 58% of residents agree or strongly agree that they are satisfied with current collection and drop-off services.
- **Recycling Satisfaction:** 44% express satisfaction. Satisfaction drops significantly due to lack of trust in whether materials are actually recycled and uncertainty about what is accepted.
- **Composting Satisfaction:** Only 17% are satisfied. This is the largest gap in service, with many residents expressing a high motivation to compost but a lack of convenient options.

View survey results: <https://arcg.is/1THn5z1>

Public Survey

Category	Mentions	Key Sentiments
Composting Access	81	High demand for curbside composting or more frequent drop-off points for food scraps.
Curbside Expansion	53	Strong desire for curbside recycling to be a standard service rather than a private/extra-fee option.
Education & Clarity	133	Residents are confused by conflicting labels; they want clearer instructions and simpler accepted items lists.
Convenience Centers	71	Requests for more localized convenience centers to reduce long drive times (especially in rural areas).
Trust & Transparency	93	A significant number of residents hesitate to recycle because they don't believe it actually gets recycled.

Charlottesville

- Apartment Challenges: Residents in multi-family housing reported that property managers often do not provide recycling, leading to high cardboard waste in trash dumpsters and general inaccessibility
- Composting: Many asked for more accessible composting opportunities, such as curbside composting in urban areas. Several requests for "mandatory" curbside composting to divert food waste from landfills entirely.
- Additional disposal opportunities for electronics, hazardous waste, and bulky items
- Engagement: Better information about what can be recycled and education in schools

Albemarle

- **Location Gaps:** Significant feedback regarding the distance to the Ivy and McIntire centers. Residents in Crozet, Whitehall, and Barracks Road specifically requested localized drop-off points.
- **Apartment Challenges:** Residents in multi-family housing reported that property managers often do not provide recycling, leading to high cardboard waste in trash dumpsters and inaccessibility
- **Opportunities for Composting:** One respondent mentioned, “I would love better opportunities for composting. I know we have black bear and panorama, but I don't use them because it's an extra cost on top of what I already pay for trash and recycle. It would be nice to have something where the bill is combined and cheaper.”

Fluvanna

- Better Data and Information: Residents are looking for reassurance materials are actually recycled, and for clearer communication on accepted materials
- Increased Collection Sites: High demand for collection areas near Routes 616 and 600, near Food Lion, and at pleasant grove, and overall better access to trash and recycling facilities in the county. Many residents noted the distance to travel to manage waste was prohibitive.
- Composting Service: Requests for a composting service to manage yard waste and/or provide composting to HOAs and the Lake community
- Additional opportunities for hazardous waste disposal

Greene

- Strong desire to expand the Greene County facility to accept glass and plastics, noting that they currently drive to Albemarle to drop these off. Requests for “clear labeling of the kind of material that will be received and more possibilities to receive materials to recycle.”
- Residents expressed frustration that they must pay for dumping while perceiving neighboring counties as free or lower-cost. Another mentioned that more consistent hours at the facility would be helpful.

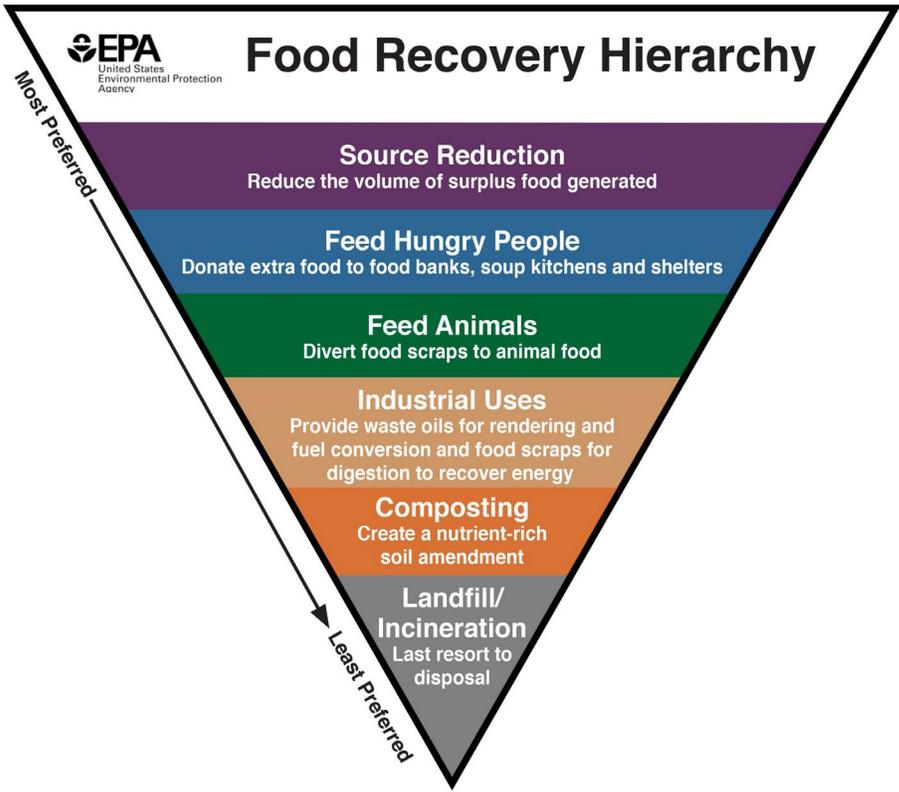
Feedback from the Community Workshop

- Virtual on Zoom
- January 22nd at 6:30
- Key Feedback
 - Accountability and Better Data
 - Consider Waste to Energy Options
 - Strategic Goals and Objectives
 - Producer Responsibility
 - Local Infrastructure Demands

SWMP Regulatory Requirements

- VA Regulatory Requirement to update SWMP
 - Adopt new 20-year plan by October 7, 2026
- SWMP Requirements - outlined in 9VAC-130-120 & 9VAC-130-125
 - Basic Planning Elements
 - Objectives for the 20-yr planning period
 - Discuss plan implementation and tracking
 - Facility names, capacity, and lifespan
 - Provision strategy for necessary funds and resources
 - Public education and information strategy
 - Consider public-private partnerships and private sector participation in execution
 - Maintain a 25% recycling rate

Waste Management Hierarchy



Next Steps

- a. Complete Worksheet - Draft Implementation Plans
- b. Next Meeting: March 12th at 10:30 am
 - APP Presentation

Planning Schedule

Technical Advisory Committee Meetings

Five meetings to coordinate the update with local staff and stakeholders

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Public Engagement
Survey, Virtual Workshop, Public Comment, Public Hearing, Local Presentations

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Draft & Finalize Plan
Present to TAC, open public comment period, incorporate feedback

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Sep – Jul 26

Sep – Oct 25

Oct 25 – Sep 26

Dec – Feb 26

Mar - Jul

Sep - Oct

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Data Collection & Analysis
Current & future waste generation projections

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Implementation Planning
Determine goals, objectives, and implementation schedule

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Adoption
Public hearing, present to TJPDC, localities, and submit to DEQ

Planning Resources

Available on the TJPDC SWP Website under TAC Meeting Materials

