

#### KITSAP COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### Kitsap County Public Works Annex 8600 SW Imperial WAY, Bremerton, WA Also, Virtually Via Zoom

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 - 4:00 PM

#### **AGENDA**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

CORRESPONDENCE

#### **KCPW**

- Chris Piercy Review of the 2024 SWAC Work Plan
- Caitlin Newman and Steve Brown Review of Enforcement and Clean Kitsap activities for the SHWMP

**ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION** 

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 



## SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC) MEETING MINUTES December 6, 2023

<u>Those Present</u>: Regional/Cities: City of Bainbridge Island – Diane Landry, City of Bremerton – Melinda Monroe, City of Port Orchard – Stephanie Bailey, City of Poulsbo – Shannon Wood, North Kitsap – Douglas Chamberlain, Central Kitsap – Krisha Begalla, Industry: Waste Management – Brian Lloyd, Bainbridge Disposal – Heather Church; Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe – Josh Carter

KCPW SWD: Chris Piercy, Caitlin, Newman, Barbara Bricker, Tamara Krueger

KPHD: Steve Brown

Ecology: Audrey Taber

Guests: Mary Shanks and Katie Jerald from Herrera Consulting

<u>Those Absent</u>: Agriculture: Erika Anderson; South Kitsap – Eric Lenius; Commercial: Bill Rich; Organics: Jeff West; NAVFAC – Christina Duggar; Suquamish Tribe – Shane Crowell

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda approved as presented with the addition of SWAC officer elections for the 2024 year.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

November 1, 2023, minutes approved as presented.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence

#### **KCPW**

Caitlin Newman from Solid Waste Division and Steve Brown from Kitsap Public Health District reviewed Chapter 13, Regulation and Enforcement of the Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan (SHWMP). Presentation attached.

Caitlin talked about removing items that do not pertain to the regulation part of chapter 13 (page 2 of presentation). These will be moved to other chapters. She also talked about items that need to be added to chapter 13, including: development design standards for solid waste collection, group collection sites, non-permitted hauler enforcement and the sign code (for temporary signs posted alongside the road).

Steve Brown discussed Kitsap Public Health Districts role in enforcement of solid waste issues. KPHD has a Kitsap Nuisance Abatement Team funded by tipping fees (\$2.49 per ton). Nuisance abatement activities are conducted by City and County Code Compliance agencies.

Elections held for 2024 SWAC officers. Motions made and unanimously approved to reelect Stephanie Bailey as Chairperson and Eric Linius as Vice Chairperson.

Chris Piercy Presented the 2024 SWAC Work Plan – Motion made and approved to accept the 2024 Work Plan with the meeting location address amended to 8600 SW Imperial Way, Bremerton, WA. and for Chris to amend the wording of tier 2 - section 2.

#### **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

Chris Piercy – Chris introduced Audrey Taber from the Department of Ecology. There will be two new Solid Waste Division staff members, one each for the Clean Kitsap and Education & Outreach teams. Chris also extended congratulations and a warm thank you to Stephanie Bailey for her twenty years as a SWAC representative.

Caitlin Newman – She is in negotiations with vendors for upcoming collection events.

Diane Landry – City of Bainbridge received a grant from Ecology for the purchase of kitchen compost buckets for compost education and outreach.

Audrey Taber – Application period open! NextCycle Washington is seeking applicants for its accelerator program for both upstream and downstream projects that help the circular economy and associated environmental and equity goals. Eligible applicants: businesses, universities, non-profits, community-based organizations, or tribal governments. Application help session Jan. 11. Deadline: January 26, 2024. More info: https://www.nextcyclewashington.com/circular-accelerator

Thinking of presenting at the spring WSRA conference? Pitch your idea by Friday, Dec. 8th: https://form.jotform.com/232754997423064 Registration for the conference will open in January. The conference is scheduled for May 14-17, 2024, in Vancouver, WA.

The plastic film directory is officially gone. This December 4, 2023 news report gives the details: Plastic recycling directory ends, citing lack of 'real commitment from industry' - ABC News (go.com) Many local governments refer folks to this directory (or its predecessor that closed this summer after ABC News' initial investigation). You may wish to check your practice.

Katie Jerald – Their making good progress on the Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan (SWMP). Caitlin will send her presentation to them.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 7, 2023

	Chapter 13 – Regulation and Enforcement (REG)	Projected Additional Cost to Agency	Funding Mechanism	Implementation Schedule	Lead Agency
1)	The Solid Waste Division will continue to work with other agencies to coordinate litter and illegal dumping reduction programs.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
2)	Continue to ensure prompt response to litter and illegal dumping complaints through the Clean Kitsap Program or its successor(s).	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD KPHD
3)	Continue to provide prompt response and enforcement of improper management of solid wastes on private property.	\$0	KPHD Funds	Ongoing	KPHD
4)	KPHD will continue to monitor the status of closed and abandoned landfills and review all proposals for development near (within 1,000 feet) or on abandoned landfill parcels.	\$0	KPHD Funds	Ongoing	KPHD
5)	Continue the community volunteer-based Adopt-a-Road program, and identify opportunities to grow the program and appeal to new audiences.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
6)	Continue to fund crews to clean up litter and illegal dumpsites from right-of-way and other public properties.	\$0	Tipping Fees Grants	Ongoing	SWD
7)	Continue to produce outreach materials, and provide on-site outreach at disposal facilities to increase awareness of covered load requirements, and continue to charge an uncovered load fee for any loads not in compliance with these regulations.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
8)	Continue to promote voluntary programs, which provide assistance and guidance in support of managing solid and hazardous waste in an environmentally sound manner and in compliance with applicable regulations.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
9)	Continue funding support for the KPHD Solid and Hazardous Waste Program through solid waste tipping fees at OVTS.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
10)	Continue to work with other agencies to evaluate efficient strategies for capturing and recycling junk vehicles, boats, and recreational vehicles.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
11)	Ensure that code enforcement and permitted solid waste facilities operate in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements.	\$0	KPHD Funds	Ongoing	KPHD
12)	Ensure that solid waste handling is conducted in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements.	\$0	KPHD Funds Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD KPHD
13)	Issue permits to covered Solid Waste Handling facilities as required by regulation.	\$0	Permit Fees	Ongoing	KPHD
14)	Examine the need for, and, if necessary, implement material ban or take-back ordinances to reduce the prevalence of commonly dumped, littered, and problematic items. Examples: plastic shopping bag ban, medical sharps take-back, and pharmaceutical take-back.	\$0	Tipping Fees	2018	SWD KPHD
15)	Continue to partner with the WA State Department of Transportation to encourage sponsorship of highway median cleanups along State Route 3 and State Route 16. In addition, continue to advocate for additional cleanup efforts along state highways by WA State Department of Ecology's Youth Corps crews.	\$0	Tipping Fees	Ongoing	SWD
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## Chapter 13: Regulation and Enforcement

12/6/2023 SWAC Presentation

Caitlin Newman cnewman@kitsap.gov

## **Move to New Chapter**

#### **Public Property Programs**

- 13.2.5 Clean Kitsap Program
- 13.2.11 Adopt a Road (now Spot)
- 13.2.10 Litter and Illegal Dumpsite Cleanup
- 13.2.15 Secure Load Regulation
- 13.2.6 Free Disposal Events
- NEW Disposal Vouchers KCC 9.16
- NEW Encampment Assistance

#### Private Property Assistance

• 13.2.8 Charity Disposal Assistance

## Litter: Adopt a Spot

#### 2023

• Volunteer Hours: +5,800

• Event Hours: 1,536

Shoulder Miles Adopted: 546

• Bags: 2,625

Value of Service: \$ 579,362 based on contractor rate



#### 2023

Shoulder Miles: 155

• Pounds: 13,652

• Cost: \$75,000

Cost/mile: \$483.87



On my morning walk, I met Dave on Clear Creek Rd in Poulsbo. He was picking up trash along the side and in the gulley. He works for Junk King Totem Logistics in Auburn. The company has been contracted by the county to clean up Clear Creek! I thanked him for his efforts. I walk on Clear Creek almost every day and the garbage alongside the road bothers me quite a bit. I myself have picked up a few garbage bags worth. Dave was friendly and helpful in explaining what Junk King Totem Logistics was doing! Looks like they are doing an awesome job!!



### **Litter:** Litter Work Crew

Monthly litter cleanup crew supervised by Clean Kitsap. Drug Court participants are sanctioned to the crew.

#### 2023

Events: 10

Participants: 27

Shoulder Miles: 35.2



# Litter Prevention: Secure Your Load

#### Secure Your Load for Safer Roads Campaign

- Unsecured load fee at transfer stations
- Law enforcement emphasis
- Tie-down giveaways
- Board proclamation

#### Fees August - October

• 685

#### Complaints / Appeals

18+



## **Illegal Dumping**

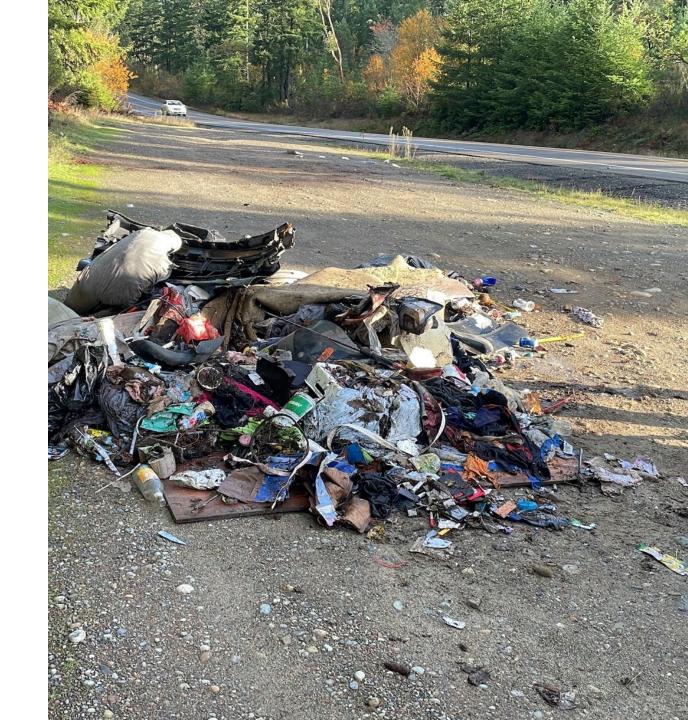
Public property only. SeeClickFix reports and Adopt a Spot volunteer reports. A joint effort of Clean Kitsap, Roads, Stormwater, Parks, and Human Services.

#### 2023

- 804 service requests
- Days to close: 0.9
- +13,000 lbs.

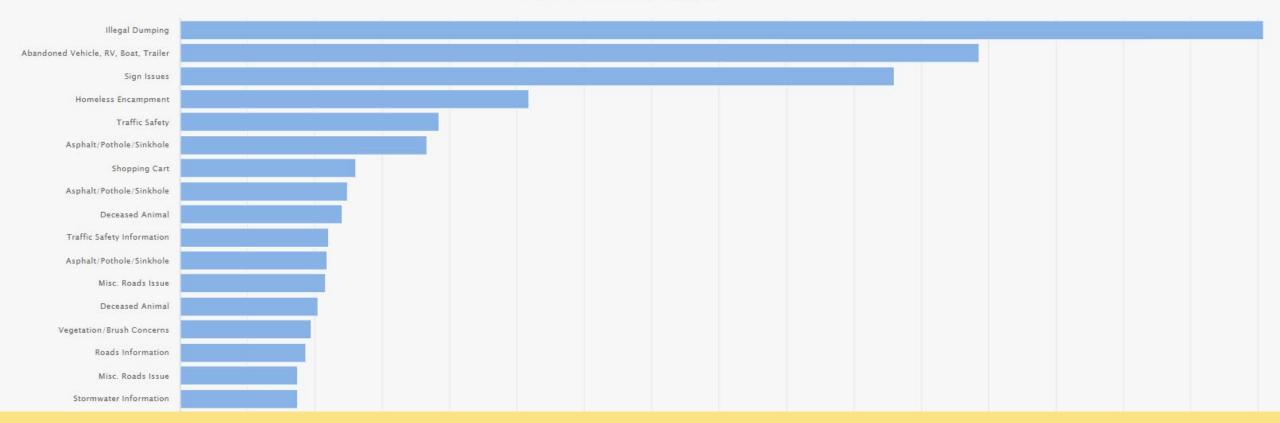
#### 2022

• 739 service requests



## SeeClickFix 2023





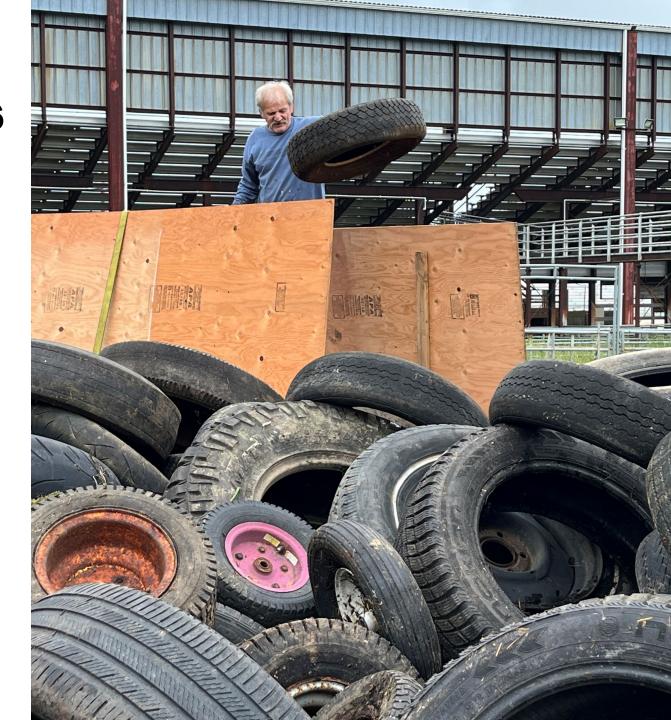
## **Free Disposal Events**

#### 2023

- 71.79 tons tires
- 11.35 tons scrap metal
- 532 customers

#### 2024

Ecology does not have funding for a 2024 event,
 which typically costs around \$30,000



## **NEW - Charity Disposal Rates**

#### Kitsap County Code 9.16

Discounted disposal rates to qualifying charities who self-haul to OVTS:

- Nonprofit
- Primary business is processing donated goods for resale
- Proceeds finance human services programs

50% discount up to first 100 tons annually

## **NEW - Disposal Vouchers**

#### Kitsap County Code 9.16

Dump vouchers for municipalities and nonprofits for qualifying activities:

- Public land cleanup
- Private land open to free recreation (limit two per year)
- Conservation land acquisition cleanup (limit one)

## **NEW - Encampment**

• Solid Waste is a member of the Kitsap County Homeless Encampment Action Response and Transitions (HEART) Team

# Missing Programs

## City/Tribes Program

- Waste collection events
- Voluntary cleanup assistance
- Litter volunteer programs
- Illegal dumpsite and litter cleanup
- Encampment response
- Etc.



## **New Enforcement Items**

#### **Development Design Standards for Solid Waste**

- Title 17.420.030 Design Standards. Solid Waste. The development must comply with the guidelines set forth in the Kitsap County Comprehensive Solid Waste Plan.
- Accessible roads, set-backs for containers, design of commercial/multifamily properties, solid waste enclosures

**Group Collection Sites** 

Non-Permitted Hauler Enforcement

Sign Code

## **Enforcement Responsibilities**

#### Kitsap Public Health District

- Solid Waste Regulation
- Hauling, Facility, Landfill Permits
- Complaints
- Voluntary Cleanup Assistance

#### Kitsap County Sheriff's Office

Abandoned Vehicle and Vessels

#### Kitsap Dept. of Community Development

KNAT Nuisance Abatement

#### Dept. of Ecology

Recycling transporter registry

#### **Puget Sound Clean Air Agency**

Air Quality

#### Cities/Tribes

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#### **Utilities and Transportation Commission**

Regulates waste hauling

## **Group Collection Sites**

Steve Brown Solid & Hazardous Waste Program Manager





## What are Group Collection Sites?



#### **Defined as:**

Easements or public areas that are permitted to be used for the purpose of solid waste collection.

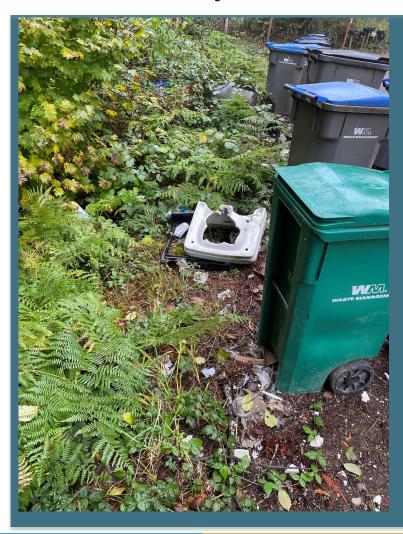
They are not intended for permanent storage of garbage or recyclable receptacles.

## **Group Collection Sites around Kitsap**





## **Group Collection Site Problems**



- 1. Illegal dumping
- 2. Litter or spillage at point of collection
- 3. Aesthetics
- 4. Abandoned cans

## Who Creates Group Collection Sites?



#### Why?

WM creates GCS when roads are deemed as unsuitable or unsafe for the garbage trucks and the people that drive them.

Ex: no turn-around space



## Who Regulates Group Collection Sites?



KPHD's Solid & Hazardous Waste program.

#### **Regulatory Authority:**

Kitsap County Board of Health Ordinance 2010-1 "Solid Waste Regulations," Section 300(2)(b)(vii):

"Containers of solid waste may be placed in the utility easements or corridors for the purpose of collection by a permitted route collection truck, not for storage of wastes."

## **Enforcement & Corrective Action**



345 6th Street, Suite 300 Bremerton, WA 98337 360-728-2235

#### NOTICE AND ORDER TO CORRECT A VIOLATION

{Current Date}

{Property Owners} {Address} {City, State, Zip}

RE: GARBAGE AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS STORED ON LINDVOG RD AND BERRY ST, KINSGTON WA

#### Dear Current Residents:

The Kitsap Public Health District has been contacted to assist with the nuisance that has been created at the intersection of Lindvog Road and Berry Street by the inappropriate Garbage and Recycling container management. Easements or public areas that are permitted to be used for the purpose of solid waste collection are not intended for permanent storage of garbage or trash and recyclable receptacles. They must be put out the night before or the day of pickup and removed within 24 hours of pickup. Once emptied by Waste Management, the containers need to be returned to your residence until the next collection day.

Besides the obvious visual nuisance that storing multiple containers in a remote location causes for the owners of the properties immediately adjacent to these areas, there are other reasons this practice is not allowed. First, these unattended groups of containers become magnets for illegal dumping. Second, when the trash in these containers is eventually spilled out, either by accident or by the animals, it causes a public nuisance and health risk.

The Kitsap County Board of Health Ordinance 2010-1 "Solid Waste Regulations" are clear on this subject.

- Section 300(2)(b)(v) On-site Storage, collection, and transportation standards States: "The owner, operator or occupant of any premises, business establishment or industry shall store all recyclable materials so as not to produce unsafe or unsanitary conditions. And;
- Section 300(2)(b)(vii) Onsite Storage, Collection and Transportation Standards states:
   "Containers of solid waste may be placed in the utility easements or corridors for the purpose of collection by a permitted route collection truck, not for storage of wastes."

The area was inspected by a Health District inspector on {Insert Date, and Time}. Containers associated with your address were observed to be stored in this area in violation of the above referenced Regulations.

kitsappublichealth.org



{Date Of NOCV} Page 2

The Health District hereby gives you notice to correct this violation within [1] days of receiving this notice by doing the following:

- Remove both garbage and recycling containers from the collection location on Lindvog at Berry Street and store them at your property.
- Containers are to be removed from the pick-up point weekly. Maximum storage time not to exceed 24 hours.
- Ensure that both recycling and garbage containers have a legible address on the front of the container. Containers not properly labeled are subject to removal from the collection location.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDER WILL RESULT IN THE ISSUANCE OF A CIVIL INFRACTION NOTICE TO YOU. THE CIVIL INFRACTION NOTICE MAY RESULT IN A FINE OF UP TO \$513.00 PER VIOLATION PER DAY TO BE ASSESSED TO YOU.

Please note that pursuant to Section 950 of the Solid Waste Regulations any person aggrieved by the contents of a notice and order to correct violation issued under this regulation may submit a completed written application for an appeal to the Health Officer. The request for an appeal must be submitted in writing, on Health District forms, be accompanied by the <u>applicable fee</u> (\$450), and within 10 (business) days of the action appealed.

Your cooperation is both appreciated and required. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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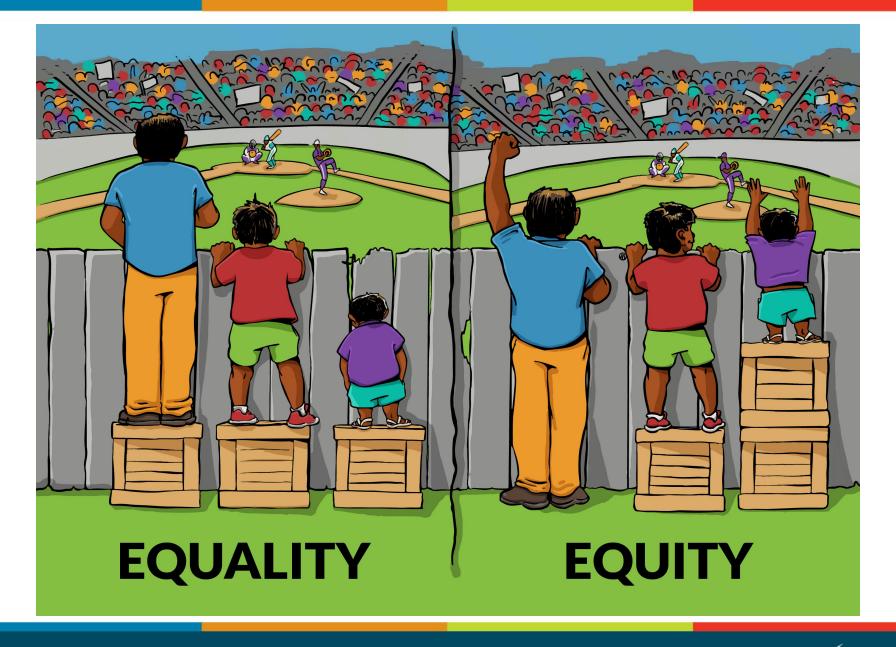
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## **Questions or Comments?**

