



TO: Columbia County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) members, Alternates, Staff and City Ex-Officio Representatives

From: Jake Anderson, Solid Waste Program Coordinator

RE: Columbia County Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday February 6, 2025, virtual and in person at Healy Hall Public Works Department 1054 Oregon St, St Helens starting at 10:00am

Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

Microsoft Teams Meeting
Meeting ID: 274 497 769 014
Passcode: LasFW2

Agenda

Welcome

Approve November Minutes

Update on Solid Waste Department

- 1. Board Members**
 - a. One position open for At-Large member.**
- 2. Sharps container exchange program started Oct 2016** and expanded to five Fire Districts in April 2021. We collect registrant sheets at the transfer station and remote fire stations as well as full sharps containers.
 - a. Registrant Data**
 - b. Sharps Purchased**
 - c. Advertising sharps program**
- 3. Dumpstoppers** – The program is a collaborative effort involving Land Development Services, Solid Waste, and Community Justice work crew to clean up dumpsites (~\$1,000/month). The tipping fees are ~ \$2,000/year. Dave Carlberg records the cases and investigates dumpsites as the Columbia County Code Compliance Specialist.

4. **Private Property Cleanups**
 - a. **26623 Cannon Road Summary**
5. **Transfer Station**
 - a. **Transfer station repairs and upgrades**
 - b. **Upcoming repairs and maintenance**
6. **Columbia County's Pilot Diversion Program**
 - a. **Shipping containers and New Employee**
 - b. **Focus: Fast Moving Items**
 - c. **Program Hours and Policies**
 - d. **Updates**
7. **Columbia County Transfer Station tonnage since 2016 – present**
8. **Update on HHW collection program**
 - a. **2025 HHW Schedule:**
 - Transfer Station: March, June, August, November
 - Remote: April Vernonia, May Rainier, October Clatskanie
 - b. **HHW Changes and Updates**
 - c. **2024 HHW Costs & Participation**
9. **Recycling/Waste Reduction Education & OTR Reports**
10. **RMA/EPR Updates**
11. **Updated DCR**
 - a. **REMINDER:** 2024 Detailed Cost Reports due by April 14th using the updated report.

Next SWAC meeting will be the Rate Review on Thursday May 1, 2025. The closed session is from 10:30am to 12:00pm. The open session is from 10 am to 10:30am virtually and at Healy Hall, Public Works Department 1054 Oregon St, St Helens, OR.