



Florida Waste Haulers & Recyclers Coalition

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Via e-mail only

Ms. Mary Lou Tighe
Executive Director
Broward League of Cities

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RE: Broward County Solid Waste Task Force - **Solid Waste Working Group (SWWG)**

Dear Ms. Executive Director Tighe:

The strictly adhered to, two-minute time limit in the Public Comments portion of the SWWG meeting is just that, Comments. There are no provisions or time allotted for input, the opportunity to obtain specific information or ask questions and receive answers. Therefor The Florida Waste Haulers & Recyclers Collation Inc. (FWHRC), an Associate member of the League hereby submits the following questions to the SWWG prior to the meeting, so they can be answered during the meeting and that these questions be made part of the record. We request a workshop with industry participation so specific questions and concerns can be addressed to the SWWG.

- 1) The WTE position is that C&D, Yard Waste and Bulk will be the same as MSW. How are the rates for C& D, Yard Waste and Bulk determined for the renewal in July 2023?**
- 2) Does the renewal require C&D, Yard Waste and Bulk to be part of the agreement? What are the rates?**
- 3) Does the County have a contractual obligation to negotiate with Waste Management for any of the waste streams?**
- 4) Are their provisions for C&D, Yard Waste and Bulk to be directed to permitted Material Recovery Facilities in the County?**



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The following is copied from the Broward League of Cities.
Mission/History

The Broward League of Cities is a non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness and resolving issues facing Broward County's 31 cities and municipalities at the local, county and state level. The organization's dedicated committees conduct research and suggest policies for current topics affecting residents, including education, housing, economic concerns, and municipal services. The League's mission is as follows:

Identify and help resolve issues affecting municipalities within Broward County.
Promote municipal authority and represent the interests of municipalities and their residents.
Strive to increase public knowledge of municipal services, issues, concerns, accomplishments, and responsibilities. Provide leadership on issues of local, regional, state, and national concern.

The following is copied from County Statutory Obligations Per FS 403.706: Local Government Solid Waste Responsibilities in the Broward County Solid Waste and Recycling Update.

"The governing body of a county has the responsibility and power for the operation of solid waste disposal facilities to meet the needs of all incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county" Per FS 403.7032: Recycling • "By the year 2020, the long-term goal for the recycling efforts of state and local governmental entities, private companies and organizations, and the public is to recycle at least 75 percent of the municipal solid waste that would otherwise be disposed of in waste management facilities, landfills, or incineration facilities. However, any solid waste used to produce renewable energy shall count toward the long-term recycling goal as set forth in this part."

Additionally, Florida Recycling Statute and Rules:

Section 403.707F.S. (2021): This section contains the language requiring that to the extent that it is economically feasible, all construction and demolition debris must be processed prior to disposal, either at a permitted facility or at a permitted disposal facility.

Broward County declaration, in accordance with Section 403.707 F.S. (2021), that all C& C generated in Broward County must be processed at any of the licensed and DEP permitted recycling facilities would be integral, and aid in the completion of the Broward County's Solid Waste Management Plan. The Declaration is necessary, exemplary and shows excellent environmental stewardship while increasing the County's recycling percentage.



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One size fit's all is not applicable in Solid Waste Management.

Broward County is not Miami-Dade or Palm Beach or any of the other Sixty-seven Florida Counties. While using other counties policies and programs for educational purpose may be beneficial, the Broward County Plan must be formulated to ensure safety and be the most comprehensive program for the benefit of the citizens and business of Broward County.

Broward County's declaration to achieve the 75 % recycling goal will not be accomplished using Waste to Energy credits.

Broward county has an opportunity to lead the charge and set recycling standards for Florida. Broward county has twenty-five licensed solid waste disposal facilities.

Additionally, several of these facilities accept and recycle Construction & Demolition debris (C&D). C&D consistently makes up 30+ % of the solid waste stream calculated by weight or volume. The materials recovered from C&D debris and reused, or recycled into other products, include Crushed concrete and brick used in road construction, drainage Concrete, block, masonry, and other clean debris used as borrow pit fill. Concrete truck washout used to make onsite containing walls and bins Reusable building supplies such as lumber and whole bricks. Remanufacture of wood chips into engineered wood. Wood fuels used in co-generation plants and industrial boilers. Horticultural mulches made from natural woody material, Dyed, decorative mulches made from construction debris wood. Wood chips used as bulking agent in biosolids, compost, animal bedding. Planks and other dimensional lumber sawn from whole trees. Corrugated cardboard containers. Metals (steel, aluminum other non-ferrous) Processed C&D debris, Recovered Screened Material (RSM) for DEP approved uses as daily cover. When C&D processing is completed, there is a miniscule amount of waste to be landfilled

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(SEE ATTACHED ILLUSTRIVE CHARTS)

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