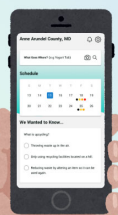


Millersville Landfill & Resource Recovery Facility Community Newsletter

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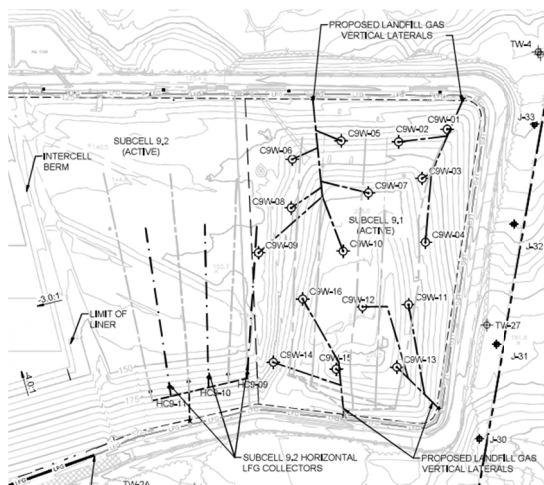
Making a difference, together

This Community Newsletter was prepared by Anne Arundel County, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Waste Management Services.

Its purpose is to provide information about current and future operations at the Millersville Landfill & Resource Recovery Facility, and related activities that may interest our neighbors.

Cell 9 Landfill Gas Collection System Expansion

The County recently initiated a project to expand the landfill gas collection and conveyance system (LGCCS) within the Cell 9 disposal area at the Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility (MLFRRF). See proposed items highlighted in black within the below figure.



Vertical landfill gas extraction wells are a component of the permanent LGCCS for the capture and beneficial use at the Landfill Gas to Energy (LFGE) facility located on the MLFRRF campus. Ten (10) of the proposed sixteen (16) vertical extraction wells to be lo-

cated within Subcell 9.1 were installed by March 2025. The remaining six (6) vertical extraction wells will be installed in October 2025, once waste placement in that area is completed.



Vertical landfill gas extraction well

Temporary horizontal landfill gas collectors are installed in phases as part of the on-going landfilling operation because it is easier to work around the horizontal collectors during waste placement operations. Three (3) horizontal collectors were installed in Subcell 9.2 in March 2025 to provide additional landfill gas collection capacity.

Oyster Recovery Partnership

This past March, the Department of Public Works assisted with the removal of derelict fishing gear from our local waterways. The Oyster Recovery Partnership (ORP) and the Bureau of Watershed Protection and Restoration led this project. Local watermen removed abandoned crab pots, nets, fishing line, and other gear that poses hazards to navigation, traps and kills marine life, and interferes with watermen's work. The project was funded by a grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.



Image courtesy of Oyster Recovery Partnership

The Bureau of Waste Management Services provided dumpsters for collected items at the Discovery Village Boat Ramp in Shadyside, Maryland where nearly 4 tons of derelict fishing equipment was collected over a 5 day period. We were able to recycle 90 percent of this material. This partnership has removed over 30,000 derelict crab pots and other debris from the Chesapeake Bay since 2012.



Image courtesy of Oyster Recovery Partnership



DID YOU KNOW?

1. The Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility has been in operation since 1975 for exclusive use by residents and businesses of Anne Arundel County. It is the only active municipal waste landfill in the County.

2. The County operates three residential drop-off Recycling Centers located in the northern (Glen Burnie), central (Severn) and southern (Deale) parts of the County. These centers are available to County residents for convenient drop-off of recyclables and trash.

3. You can recycle durable medical equipment at the Central Recycling Center, including wheel chairs, scooters, walkers, canes, crutches, beds, and similar items. These are reconditioned by the Maryland Department of Aging and redistributed to Marylanders in need.

4. Sandstone excavated during construction of Millersville Landfill's Cell 9 disposal area is "repurposed" by using the stone in watershed and stream restoration projects throughout the County. The natural stone makes an ideal material for building dams, weirs, step pools and slope protection devices.

5. In the first three months of 2025, County residents dropped off 2,200 gallons of used cooking oil at the Recycling Centers.

6. Did you know that you can view live cameras of the Millersville Landfill and Northern, Central, and Southern Recycling Centers to show the line of vehicles that are waiting at each facility. To learn more, please visit, www.aacounty.org/public-works/waste-management/know-you-go

7. At the Bureau's spring paper shred event held on April 6 2025, we shredded 24,000 pounds of paper—that is equivalent to the weight of a male elephant!

8. Latex paint is not considered a hazardous item, and residents can drop off latex paint at their closest Recycling Center year-round— no need to wait for a Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off event! Soon Maryland will have a take back program for unwanted paint!

Preventing Fires at Recycling Facilities

We're seeing a concerning national trend; an increased frequency of fires in collection trucks and at recycling facilities. Such fires are not only costly due to the equipment and infrastructure damage they cause, fires also pose a significant safety risk to solid waste workers, firefighters, and the public.



AACO Fire Department in action, responding to fire at Recycling Center.

Earlier this year, Waste Management Recycle America, our processor for materials collected in our curbside recycling program, opened a brand new \$50 million sorting facility in nearby Elkridge, MD. Since January, this facility has experienced eight fires caused by materials that do not belong in recycling carts, containers or bins.

Anne Arundel County offers programs for management of materials that require

special handling. These include:

- Household hazardous waste drop off events for unused household chemicals, oil based paints and stains, gasoline, rechargeable batteries and battery packs, and other waste items requiring special handling and disposal;
- Electronics recycling for laptops, backup power supplies, and other peripherals; and
- Collection of used motor oil and anti-freeze.

We conduct outreach to educate our residents on "What Goes Where" - www.aacounty.org/what-goes-where— for both our curbside collection program and at our Recycling Centers or Millersville Landfill.



AACO Fire Department in action, responding to collection vehicle fire.

Litter Control

Litter issues often arise due to windy weather conditions. To help maintain a clean and welcoming environment, our team conducts daily litter pickups across our facilities. You can also play a part in keeping our communities and roadsides beautiful.

Here are a few helpful tips to prevent litter at the curb and throughout your neighborhood:

- ◇ Help keep your yard and street tidy by securing loose papers and other lightweight items inside your recycling cart to prevent them from blowing away before collection day.
- ◇ If you use a round, open-top recycling container, place heavier items on top to help keep lighter materials in place, and be sure not to overfill past the rim.
- ◇ Bag all household trash securely, tie or seal the bags completely, and place them in a sturdy container with handles and a tight fitting lid.



Litter on the ground at the curbside

For additional information about our curbside collection services, please visit <https://www.aacounty.org/services/recycling-trash>.

DPW Info & Upcoming Events

The Department of Public Works is excited to continue to support the County Executive's 2025 River Days Festivals. These fun, family friendly festivals include activities for all ages, and feature boat rides at each of the waterfront locations. Stop by the Bureau of Waste Management Services table at each event for fun recycling swag, brochures, and a chance to test your recycling knowledge with a fun activity!

The Bureau of Waste Management Services will participate in all four scheduled events:

- ♦ May 17th – Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, Edgewater
- ♦ June 14th – Annapolis Maritime Museum Park, Annapolis
- ♦ July 26th – Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis
- ♦ September 13th – Fort Smallwood Park, Pasadena

For more festival information please visit: www.aacounty.org/riverdays



HHW Events

In 2024, the County paid over \$365,000 to dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW) received from residents. Although proper disposal of

HHW is important, it is even more important to avoid purchasing hazardous items and substitute them with non-hazardous alternatives. The more you use safe alternatives, the less we spend on disposal of HHW. County residents can help reduce HHW with these simple steps:

Purchase Less: Buy only the amount you need, even if a larger container offers a price discount.

Use it up: Use up all of the products you have before you buy any more.

Most products do not expire. Once empty, discard the container with regular trash.

Give it away: Find someone or any charity that can use your excess material.

Simplify: Use multi-purpose cleaners rather than having a full collection of specialized products.

Use safer alternatives: Buy less-toxic alternatives. Avoid the ones with the words "poison" or "danger" on the label. These safer items can be found in your local grocery store.

For a list of safe alternatives, please visit www.aacounty.org/household-hazardous-waste-drop-off



Department of Public Works
Household Hazardous Waste
Drop-off Day Schedule

Hours: 8:00AM - 2:00PM

DATE	LOCATION
March 29, 2025	All events will be held at the Heritage Office Complex 2662 Riva Road Annapolis, MD 21401
April 26, 2025	
May 31, 2025	
June 21, 2025	
September 13, 2025	
October 25, 2025	



WARNING!



These Items are **NOT ACCEPTED**
Curbside or at any County Facility



Rechargeable
Batteries



Gasoline and
other Fuels



Coals and Ashes



Chemicals, Poisons,
and Liquids



Oil-Based Paint

Visit www.call2recycle.org/locator/ for year round rechargeable battery recycling options near you. For details regarding the other items and more, go to: www.aacounty.org/household-hazardous-waste-drop-off for Household Hazardous Waste program details.



2025 Holiday Collection Schedule



Holidays	Landfill & Recycling Centers	Curbside Collection
Memorial Day	MAY 26 (Mon) Closed	Monday collections occur Tuesday Tuesday collections occur Wednesday
Juneteenth	JUNE 19 (Thur) Closed	Normal collections will occur
Independence Day	JULY 4 (Fri) Closed	Friday collections occur Saturday
Labor Day	SEP 1 (Mon) Closed	Monday collections occur Tuesday Tuesday collections occur Wednesday



Department of Public Works

Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility
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Operating Hours

The current operating schedule for the Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility is:

Monday – Saturday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Check our website www.aacounty.org/departments/public-works/waste-management for dates that our facility is closed.

Please feel free to contact us at any time. We want to hear from you, especially if you have a concern.

Stephen Krajcsik – Operations Administrator
Michael Porath – Disposal & Maintenance Manager
Rich Bowen – Recycling & Waste Reduction Manager
Anita Grayson-Evans – Community Services Manager

Please refer any questions or comments to these individuals at 410-222-6108 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Outside of business hours, for emergencies call 410-222-8400 and for inquiries please contact us using 311 by visiting our website or using the 311 app.

