



Joining Members: Are you ready for April 2018 and the next generation of MSW processing and recycling in Hampden?

Ten things to do in preparation for changes in Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) management on April 1, 2018

1. Ensure your hauler knows where to take the MSW you receive and transfer or arrange to have collected and transferred. (I-95 Exit 180, turn south onto Coldbrook Road for about one-half of a mile and turn onto Fiberight Access Road at 348 Coldbrook Road)
2. Be familiar with requirements of your Joinder Agreement regarding MSW delivery practices, requirements (what is Acceptable Waste v Unacceptable Waste) and schedules and ensure your hauler is familiar with them.
3. Ensure that haulers, businesses and institutions are familiar with any local flow control regulations directing MSW to be delivered to the new Hampden facility.
4. Encourage businesses and institutions in your community to direct MSW they generate to the new Hampden facility consistent with your community's Estimated Delivery Amount.
5. Clarify, amend or replace MSW collection and hauling contracts consistent with the above.
6. Amend or replace solid waste licensing procedures, rules or ordinances to be consistent with the above.
7. Communicate local changes! If you plan significant changes for MSW or recyclables collection, transfer and hauling, let the MRC know.
8. Prepare now to take advantage of single stream recyclables processing in Hampden. If you arrange for the collection and transfer of or arrange for the receipt and transfer of single-sort recyclables separately from your MSW, manage your contracts to ensure you can direct the collected material to the Fiberight facility as of April 1, 2018.
9. Watch those hard-to-manage wastes! Our new arrangements allow for MSW to be delivered to the new facility consistent with historical practice. If you need help managing materials that cannot be accepted, let the MRC know. As we gain operational experience with the new facility, be open to exploring whether certain items, such as tires, glass, and textiles can be managed more efficiently than being delivered to the new facility.
10. If you are an Equity Charter Municipality, exercise your option to sell your position in the PERC partnership and get the paperwork to the MRC before December 8, 2017.

If you have questions about any of the above, or anything not listed above, contact Greg Lounder, Executive Director of the MRC, at (207) 664-1700 or glounder@mrcmaine.org.