

**AMENDMENT TO IONIA COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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The Ionia County Solid Waste Management Plan (January 2001) is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

1. Import Authorization, (III-2 -III-4), is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - a. If a Licensed solid waste disposal area is currently operating within Ionia County, disposal of solid waste generated by any county in the State of Michigan is authorized by Ionia County. The authorized annual cap is 300,000 tons of solid waste from all counties combined. (III-2)
 - b. Delete Table I-A. (III-2 – III-3).
 - c. If a new solid waste disposal area is constructed and operating in the future in the County, then disposal of solid waste generated by any county in the State of Michigan is authorized by Ionia County. The authorized annual cap will be 300,000 tons of solid waste from all counties combined (III-4).
 - d. Delete Table I-B
2. Facility User Fee, (III-47 and August 13, 2004 transmittal letter p. 2), is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - a. In order to finance the implementation of Part 115 County Solid Waste Management Plan, Ionia County imposes a user fee upon all solid waste deposited and/or processed at facilities located within the County. Any previous County memorandum, contract, resolution or ordinance regarding a user fee or surcharge is repealed and voided. Unless a different user fee is agreed to through a “host community agreement” between Ionia County and a particular facility, the following user fee is established based on each ton deposited and/or processed in the facility:
 - (1). \$2.00 per ton of waste accepted for deposit and/or processed to be paid to Ionia County.
 - (2). \$1.00 per ton of waste accepted for deposit and/or processed to be paid to Orleans Township.
 - (3). \$0.25 per ton of waste accepted for deposit and/or processed to be paid to Otsico Township.
 - b. The County may enforce the user fee through a solid waste ordinance with civil and/or criminal sanctions if the fee is not collected and remitted, or through the terms of the host community agreement.
 - c. Each owner or operator must remit the user fee to Ionia County, Orleans Township and Otisco Township in accordance with this plan on a monthly basis. On a form selected by Ionia County, the facility owner or operator shall also provide monthly reports to Ionia County, Orleans Township and

Otsico Township identifying the gross amount of paid receipts and/or solid waste collected during the preceding month. Ionia County, Orleans Township and Otisco Township must receive all monthly reports and user fees no later than the 10th day of the succeeding month.

- c. In order to encourage the development of resource recovery facilities, user fees shall not be imposed on material that is recycled at resource recovery facilities.
 - d. Host Community Agreement: is defined as a written contract that is approved and signed by the owner of a “facility” as defined in Rule 103 of Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, administrative rules; and the Ionia County Board of Commissioners (“BOC”) after approval in a public meeting, by the BOC.
 - e. Delete all text on p. III-48.
3. Elected System, (III-51) is hereby amended to read as follows:
- a. **Local Responsibility for Plan Update Monitoring and Enforcement:** Ionia County Board of Commissioners and any designee appointed by the Ionia County Board of Commissioners, and the Ionia Conservation District as the Designated Planning Agency.
 - b. **Educational and Informational Programs:** Ionia Conservation District.
4. Special Conditions (D-7), is hereby amended to read as follows:
- a. Ionia County Solid Waste Export Condition:

Ionia County’s Solid Waste Management System includes Pitsch Sanitary Landfill, the Household Hazardous Waste Program, Recycling Drop-Offs, and public education programs.

Ionia County has listed the following counties which accept Ionia County waste on a reciprocating basis: Allegan, Barry, Kent, Clinton, Montcalm, Eaton, Gratiot, Ingham, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Clare, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Ottawa, Osceola, Saginaw, Shiawassee, St. Joseph, Van Buren, Wexford.
 - b. Ionia County Solid Waste Import Condition:

Ionia County’s Solid Waste Management Plan establishes limits on the amounts and origins of waste authorized for disposal in Ionia County, including a controlling overall maximum amount of 300,000 tons annually.

Ionia County will accept waste generated in any county located in the State of Michigan. According to the amendment to the Plan of 2024, this Plan authorizes solid waste for disposal from any county in the State of Michigan.

