

Full of Scrap Newsletter

Your source for recycling & waste reduction news in the Northeast (and beyond).

NRRA HIGHLIGHTS



Roadside Signs: Can I Recycle THAT?

New Hampshire is known for the political engagement of its residents, with a first-in-the-nation Primary and the third-largest legislative body in the world - the New Hampshire House of Representatives boasting 400 members! This means that every-other year New Hampshire roadways fill with corrugated plastic signs sharing all political affiliations. (Even Bigfoot got in on the action this year!)

But what happens to all that plastic after the election is over? We've got the answers (and they may surprise you!)

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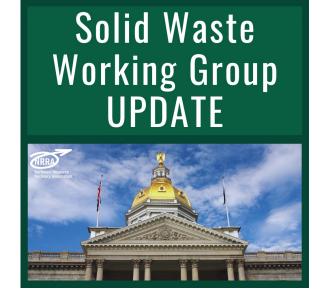
Solid Waste Working Group Issues First Report

The NH Solid Waste Working Group (SWWG), which was established to assist NHDES with planning for New Hampshire's solid waste future, has issued their initial report.

The report focuses on nine priorities - or Focus Areas - for the upcoming year, as well as recommendations to adopt

legislation to advance the Focus Areas.

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Energy Savings: A Grant Helped Upgrade NRRA's Lighting

As a recycling nonprofit that helps municipalities manage their own recycling programs, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association ("NRRA") values conserving both natural and financial resources. Thanks to a grant from the Madelaine G. von Weber Trust, NRRA was able to do just that at its headquarters.

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* I M P O R T A N T * WINTER UPDATE!



Keep Those Containers, Trailers, and Rolloffs Clear of Snow & Debris!

It's winter in New England and that means snow, freezing rain and ice. As a reminder to all of our marketing members, please remember to keep all of your dumpsters, containers, trailers and roll-offs covered and the roofs (tops) clear of snow, ice and debris.

Many of our Vendors <u>deduct money</u> from your revenues if there is snow, ice and water in with your

recyclable materials. Other vendors charge extra fees for debris weighing down your MSW/Trash containers. Furthermore, due to Jessica's Law, it is illegal for haulers to transport any container with snow/ice on it and it is, in many cases, a liability for our haulers and vendors to attempt to clean off any container, trailer, etc., which is located on

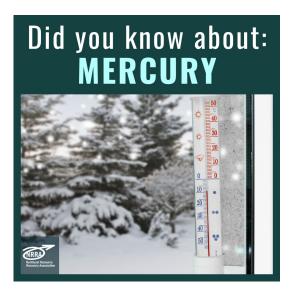
municipal owned property. If a hauler arrives to find a container covered in snow/ice or blocked in by it, they will refuse to move it and are within their rights to charge a "truck not used" fee. Please be mindful of this during these winter months. Thank you!



Rolloff Container Covers

Markets require that recyclables are kept dry in order to assure the lowest cost or highest revenue for loose aluminum cans, cardboard, commingled containers, glass, mixed paper and steel cans. Check out NRRA's information sheet on rolloff container covers for some options.

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Did you know...Mercury

Did you know that NH has several laws to eliminate mercury-containing products from the solid waste stream? As of January 1, 2008, it is required that owners and operators of solid waste landfills, transfer stations, and incinerators post signage at the facility providing notice of the prohibition against the disposal of mercury-added products.

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WEBSITE SPOTLIGHTS





The 6th R: Cultivating a Culture of Repair

Repair Café events are an empowering response to throw-away society, re-creating a culture that values reuse and repair over disposal. This recorded webinar will explore the Repair Café model, lessons learned, community partnerships, nuts and bolts of hosting a repair event, and the broader context of the right to repair movement. (Webinar is worth .75 NHDES credits)

December Pricing Update

NRRA provides a monthly Pricing Update as well as other pricing lists, which are available to voting municipal members only.

To request access, create a user new username and password on our website.

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WHAT WE'RE READING & OTHER NEWS

[WEBINAR 1 of 2] Gypsum Wallboard: Problems, Recommendations, and the Current State of Recycling (NERC & NEWMOA)

[WEBINAR 2 of 2] Gypsum Wallboard: Opportunities to Increase Recycling (NERC & NEWMOA)

[ARTICLE] Solid Waste group targets food waste, PFAS in carpet (Laconia Daily Sun)

[ARTICLE] In an economy obsessed with growth, we must find a way to reduce consumption

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- December 14, 2022 NRRA Office CLOSED EARLY for Holiday Luncheon
- December 26, 2022 NRRA Office CLOSED for Christmas Holiday
- January 2, 2023 NRRA Office CLOSED for the New Year
- January 16, 2023 NRRA Office CLOSED for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Visit our **Events Calendar** online so you won't miss a thing!

CLASSIFIEDS

Help Wanted: Transfer Station Lead Attendant (PT) - Bristol, NH

Help Wanted: Transfer Station Attendant (FT) - Rye, NH

Help Wanted: Certified Transfer Station Attendant (FT) - Thornton, NH

Visit our website to view all job postings

SAVE THE DATE

NRRA ANNUAL RECYCLING CONFERENCE



NRRA is excited to announce the dates for the 2023 Annual Recycling Conference & Expo to be on May 22nd and 23rd. Join hundreds of attendees, exhibitors, speakers and sponsors to discuss the tools and skills necessary to build thriving municipal recycling and waste reduction programs in your community.

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