



Delaware-Knox-Marion-Morrow Solid Waste Management District Solid Waste Management Plan Summary

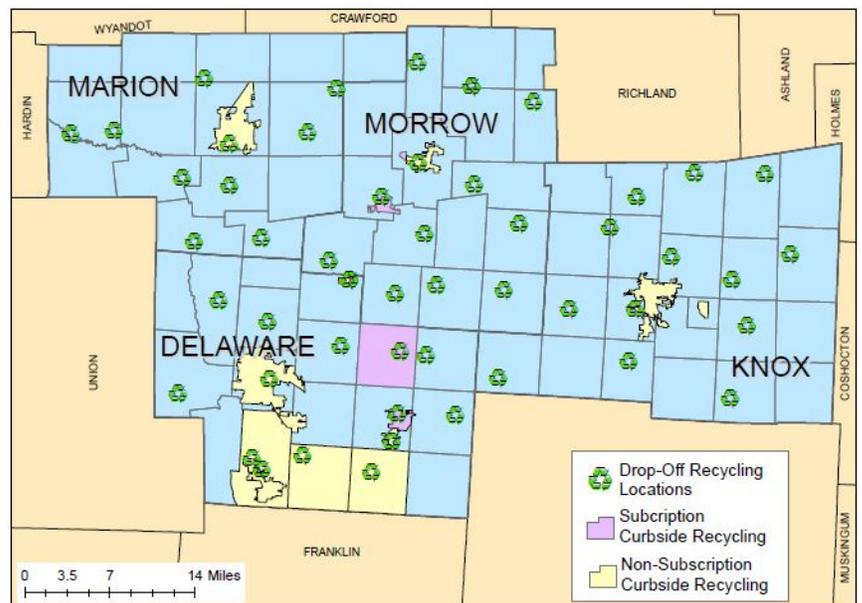
Introduction

The Delaware-Knox-Marion-Morrow Joint Solid Waste Management District (District) will submit its updated Solid Waste Management Plan to all cities, villages and townships in Delaware, Knox, Marion, and Morrow counties for approval. This approval process, also known as ratification, is the final step before the District seeks final approval from Ohio EPA to implement this new Plan.

The following executive summary of the solid waste plan has been created for the elected officials within the four counties to demonstrate how the District's solid waste plan benefits each community. The District offers a wide variety of programs and initiatives that offer real value to its counties and communities.

Recycling Programs

Within the District there are numerous recycling collection programs designed to divert as much solid waste from landfills as possible: The programs include:



- 20 Curbside Recycling Programs – **8,712 tons recycled**
- 55 Drop-off Recycling Programs – **3,483 tons recycled**
- 10 Yard Waste Management Program – **16,308 tons composted**
- Scrap Tire Recycling – **2,648 tons recycled**
- Commercial/Industrial Recycling – **153,837 tons recycled**
- Private Recyclers, Scrap Yards, and End-Use – **66,090 tons recycled**

Other Programs Offered

- Curbside Recycling Program
- Drop-Off Recycling Program
- Yard Waste Management Program
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Management Program
- Scrap Tire Collection Program
- Lead Acid Battery Collection Program
- School Recycling Program
- Education and Awareness Program
- Commercial Technical Assistance
- Industrial Technical Assistance
- Waste Audit Manual
- Data Collection and Database of Recycling Processors
- Natural Disaster Management Program
- General Plan Implementation



Solid Waste Disposal Capacity

This demonstration is one of the fundamental requirements of the solid waste plan. The District conducted a regional capacity analysis that has demonstrated that there is enough disposal capacity for all of the solid waste generated by residents and businesses for the entire planning period.

Goals

The District meets or exceeds all of the State Solid Waste Management Plan goals as required by Ohio EPA. The District has demonstrated that over 90% of each county has access to recycling such as curbside and drop-off programs.

Residential/Commercial/Industrial Grant Programs

- Ohio EPA Market Development Grants
- Ohio EPA Community Development Grants
- Recycling Program Grants*
- Health Department Grants – Solid Waste Inspections & Monitoring

*Grants will be offered to curbside recycling communities to improve their performance and access to residents.



Financing the Plan

The District primarily funds Plan programs and current operations through contract fees, recycling revenue, reimbursements, and miscellaneous sources. As of December 12, 2018, a contract fee of \$6.00 per ton was charged to all solid waste facilities that were designated by the District to receive District solid waste. This contract fee has remained unchanged since September 30, 2008. Contract fees are anticipated to remain unchanged during the first five years of the plan. The contract fee has the potential to increase to \$7.00 per ton in 2026 then remain flat for the remainder of the planning period (2032). This fee increase will be discussed during the next plan update in five years.

Your Community's Responsibility



Each community in Delaware, Knox, Marion, & Morrow County will be asked to approve the solid waste plan in 2019. The process requires each community to:

- Review a copy of the plan
- Act on the plan within 90 days (**December 12, 2018 –March 11, 2019**) and
- Submit a copy of the resolution or legislation to the District.

Failure to act on the plan is considered by the State of Ohio to be a negative vote.

What if the Plan is Not Ratified?

If local ratification does not occur, the Director of Ohio EPA is required, by state statute, to prepare a plan for the District and order the District to implement the state's plan. This could negatively affect the District because local control of our plan would be relinquished to Ohio EPA.

The plan you will vote on was developed through a local planning process and contains the recommendations, programs and initiatives from the District's Policy Committee. These programs and initiatives will provide for a cost effective and environmentally safe solid waste system for the District and will expand recycling opportunities and increase recycling participation. The District urges communities to learn more about this plan in order to make an informed decision.

For more information, contact the District at (740) 393-4600 or visit online at www.dkmm.org

The link below is where you will find the entire solid waste plan and all appendices under "2019 - 2033 DKMM Draft Plan":

<https://www.dkmm.org/dkmm-plan>