



Disposal Concurrences

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What are disposal concurrences?

Given the unprecedented global market conditions, some recycling processors have struggled to find markets for mixed paper and plastics, causing a backup of materials throughout the collection and processing system. Some communities – especially those in rural parts of the state – have been disproportionately affected due the added expense of transporting materials to processors in other parts of the state. In such circumstances when it costs more to recycle a material than it does to dispose of it in a landfill, disposal of previously-recycled material can happen under Oregon law.

The Department of Environmental Quality, working closely with representatives from the recycling industry and local governments, has developed a short-term stopgap solution, called a disposal concurrence, to help alleviate the backup of materials. When all options to find markets for recyclable commodities have been exhausted, DEQ concurs that landfilling these materials on a temporary basis is an unfortunate, but needed option at this time.

Disposal concurrences overview

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Number of concurrences since Sept. 1

2%

Percent of all materials collected for recycling that have been disposed of since Sept. 1*

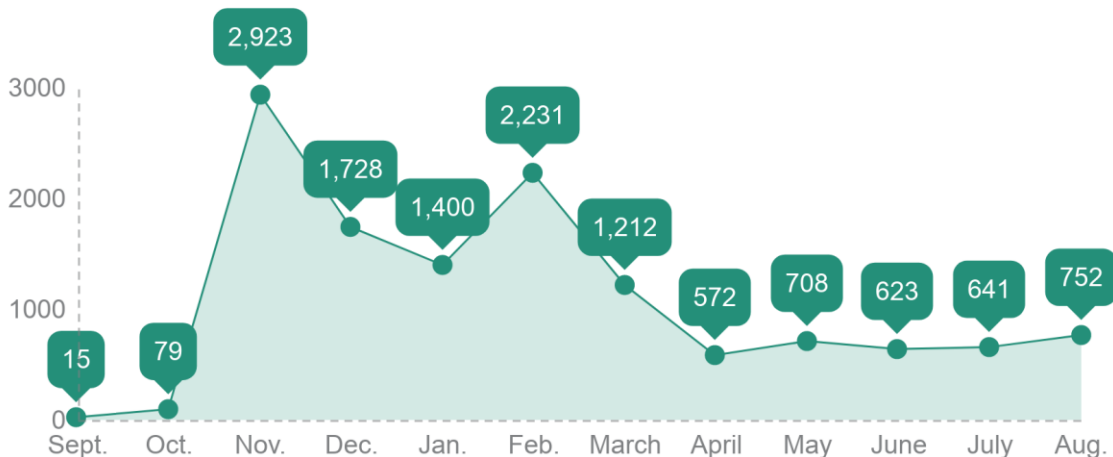
12,883

Total tonnage disposed from Sept.1 to July 31



*Percentage calculated using monthly averages from 2016

Total tons disposed of by month



Concurrences that have resulted in disposal

Organization	Date†	Materials Type	Status	Material Source Areas	Amount Disposed to Date (tons)
Central Coast Disposal	9/27/2017	Residential commingled	Inactive	Florence	14.75
Hood River Recycle and Transfer Station	10/19/2017	Residential commingled	Ongoing	Hood River County	945.75
The Dalles Transfer Station	10/19/2017	Residential commingled	Ongoing	Wasco County, Sherman County, Gilliam County	706.47
Baker Sanitary Service	10/26/2017	Residential and depot mixed paper and plastics	Ongoing	Baker City, Baker County	55.72
Southern Oregon Sanitation, Inc.	10/27/2017	Residential commingled	Ongoing	Grants Pass, Cave Junction, Rogue River, Gold Hill, Eagle Point, Shady Cove, Butte Falls, Jackson County, Josephine County	2552.74
Pioneer Recycling Services	10/31/2017	Aseptic containers and cartons	Inactive	Entire State of Oregon	97
Republic Services - Grants Pass	11/1/2017	Residential commingled	Ongoing	Grants Pass, Josephine County	587.1
Rogue Materials Recovery	11/2/2017	Residential commingled	Inactive	Medford, Central Point, Jacksonville, Phoenix, Jackson County	2,370.34
Klamath County Solid Waste Division	11/3/2017	Depot-collected: Comingled, scrap paper, corrugated cardboard, rigid plastic and #3-#7 plastic	Inactive	Klamath County	20.52
Waste Pro	11/7/2017	Residential commingled	Inactive	La Grande, Island City	28
Rogue Disposal & Recycling	11/7/2017	Residential commingled	Inactive	Medford, Central Point, Jacksonville, Phoenix, Jackson County	3,396.08
International Paper	1/22/2018	#3-#7 and film plastic	Inactive	Eugene	70.49
Garten	2/12/2018	Mixed waste paper, rigid plastics and #3-#7	Inactive	Aurora, Aumsville, Dallas, Detroit, Donald, Eugene, Gates, Gervais, Hubbard, Independence, Idanha, Jefferson, Keizer, Mill City, Monmouth, Mt. Angel, Newport, Salem,	1,316.07

				Silverton, Scotts Mills, Stayton, Sublimity, St. Paul, Turner, Waldport, Woodburn	
Prineville Disposal	2/14/2018	Residential commingled	Ongoing	Prineville, Crook County	512.76
Waste Connections (Vancouver WA)	2/15/2018	Scrap paper	Inactive	City of Portland, Lane County, Coos County, Columbia County, Clackamas County	24.2
Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc.	2/27/2018	Residential commingled, depot	Inactive	City of Newport and Lincoln County, including the UGB, and unincorporated areas around Newport	34.01
Pendleton Sanitary Service Inc.	3/6/2018	Residential and commercial commingled	Ongoing	City of Pendleton and Umatilla County	0.53
Dahl Disposal	3/17/18	Residential, commercial, depot	Inactive	Lincoln County, Yachats, Waldport, Siletz and Toledo	13.54
Twelve-Mile Disposal	4/10/18	Residential commingled	Ongoing	Unincorporated East Multnomah County	48.80
Northstar Recycling	4/25/18	Mixed agricultural plastic	Inactive	Mt. Angle and Marion County	6.07
CARTM	6/22/18	#3-7 Plastic	Inactive	Manzanita	6.2
Sweet Home Sanitation	7/2/18	Mixed commingled recyclables	Ongoing	Halsey, Brownsville	32.45
South Umpqua Disposal	7/5/18	Mixed commingled recyclables	Inactive	Myrtle Creek, Riddle, Canyonville, Days Creek	14.04

†Date is the date DEQ granted concurrence and does not reflect disposal dates.

Concurrences that have not resulted in disposal

DEQ has concurred on requests for disposal for the following businesses; however, the request has not been exercised to date.

- Willamette Resources Inc.
- Roseburg Disposal Co.
- North Lincoln Sanitary