

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE THREE-YEAR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
UPDATE

Resolution No. 30/2010-2011

WHEREAS North Carolina statutorily requires each County and Municipality to update its ten year solid waste plan every three years, and

WHEREAS Orange County and its municipalities have historically cooperated closely on solid waste management including plan development, and

WHEREAS the plan to be adopted reaffirms the goal of 61% waste reduction per capita originally established in 1997 and reaffirmed in 2000, 2003 and 2008 (for 2006 submittal), and

WHEREAS the Board of Orange County Commissioners has created a representative solid waste management plan work group that has worked for five years on the comprehensive, integrated long term plan, and

WHEREAS the Orange County Solid Waste Department, the Work Group and the Solid Waste Advisory Board have developed a draft interim plan for consideration by the Town, and

WHEREAS plan development has included representatives from the Town and the Town's interests have thereby been represented in plan development, and

WHEREAS, the Town has reviewed and considered the plan and offered its recommendations and revisions to be incorporated into the plan document to be submitted to the State for review after consideration by the Board of Orange County Commissioners, and

WHEREAS, this plan submittal is a living document and recognizes that the County's overall integrated solid waste management plan will continue to evolve, and

WHEREAS the current submittal is about 15 months overdue from the original plan update due date of June 30, 2009,

THEREFORE NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Carrboro adopts and recommends this solid waste management plan update pending adoption by the Board of Orange County Commissioners.

This is the 12th of October, 2010.

**Town of Carrboro
Planning Department**



MEMORANDUM

Date: October 7, 2010
 To: Board of Aldermen
 From: Environmental Advisory Board (EAB)
 Through: Randy Dodd, Environmental Planner
 Subject: Solid Waste Management Plan review comments

The EAB provides the following review comments for the solid waste management plan.


The EAB recommends the Board of Alderman ensure continued support for a responsible resource management plan and funding for the Solid Waste Program. With the closure of the landfill the long-term financial stability of our county's solid waste management is in question. How we manage our waste/resources impacts jobs, our economy, and our ability to do our part to mitigate climate change.

The EAB encourages the Board to support site selection for a transfer station. We need to recover as much as possible rather than ship more waste to another community, which will create significant cost in the long run.

The EAB recommends the Board of Aldermen consider franchise agreements with private haulers/service providers to improve efficiency. We need to invest in the shift to single stream collection, capture more recyclables from the commercial sector, and do a better job of diverting food waste and other organics from the landfill.

Communities with the highest diversion rates (e.g., San Francisco, CA) have switched to single stream recycling, have strongly supported commercial recycling, and have wide spread organics collection programs.

VOTE: AYES (4) Arnsberger, Barger, Stidham, Butler; NOES (0); ABSENT (3) Mullen, Gilser, Weller

 10/7/10
 Matthew Arnsberger Acting, Chair Date