

# Council report

Meeting date:	August 3, 2021
Title:	West Grey Landfill Operations Update
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## Recommendation

That council receive the West Grey Landfill Operations Update for information.

### Executive summary

The following report outlines the operational changes planned for September 1, 2021, including the hours of operation, staffing, new recycling programs and revised tipping fees.

## Background and discussion

Council may recall that during budget deliberations, there was discussion regarding potential operational efficiencies and increases in revenue at the three solid waste facilities in West Grey. Below is a table that summarizes the changes planned for September 1, 2021.

Item	Existing Operation	Proposed Operation
Tipping Fees	\$5 minimum charge for accessing all landfills	\$10 minimum charge for accessing all landfills
Hours of Operation	Bentinck Landfill Wednesday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Bentinck Landfill Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
	Durham Landfill Thursday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Durham Landfill Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday - closed
	Normanby Landfill Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Normanby Landfill Sunday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Film Plastics Recycling	Service not offered at existing landfills	Trash Taxi will set up film plastic recycling bins at the Bentinck and Durham Landfills. There will be no landfill fees for this service.
Expanded Polystyrene Recycling Service	Service not offered at existing landfills	Second Wind Recycling will provide the municipality with a densifying and removal service of all post-consumer packaging EPS delivered to the recycling depot, and ensures it is recycled by a registered recycler. A one year pilot project will allow both parties to assess the cost-benefit balance and identify best practices.

## Legal and legislated requirements

Environmental Compliance Approval Number A261301 (Bentinck) Environmental Compliance Approval Number A262104 (Normanby) Environmental Compliance Approval Number A260202 (Durham)

## Financial and resource implications

There will be an operating expense of approximately \$10,000 that will be absorbed in the existing 2021 operating budget to facilitate the expanded polystyrene recycling and plastic service and film plastics recycling service. For the period of September to December 2021, the projected increase for revenue due to the tipping fee increase is approximately \$18,000, and the revised operational efficiency savings is estimated at \$8,000. Below is a summary of original budget compared to revised estimates.



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**Original Budget** 

**Revised Estimate** 

Expanded film plastics, polystyrene Increased landfill revenues Operating efficiencies\* 10,000 (26,500) start July 1 (20,000) start July 1 10,000 (18,000) start Sept 1 (8,000) start Sept 1

\* Budget was not reduced by potential operating efficiencies.

## Staffing implications

None

### Consultation

CAO Director of Finance Industry Vendors Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks

#### Attachments

None

#### Next steps

Pending council approval, staff will promote and educate the public about the upcoming landfill operational changes, and implement the proposed operational changes on September 1, 2021.

Respectfully submitted:

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