

# The Waste Not

#### **OUR VISION**

To provide Brown County municipal commercial and industrial customers cost-effective and sustainable solid waste management systems with the focus on resource recovery primarily through recycling, repurposing and energy recovery

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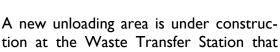
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## For Your Safety

Effective August 1st, 2016 safety vests or high visibility apparel will be required to be worn by anyone entering the Waste or Recycling Transfer Station tip floors.

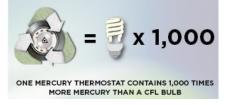
If you have a safety vest or other high visibility apparel please wear it when you bring material to the transfer stations. If you need a vest, safety vests will be sold at the Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Transfer Station for \$5.00 per vest.





will include several dumpsters for residential drop-offs. This area will only be available for small residential loads of no more than 600 lbs. or one furniture item. Our priority is to keep everyone safe while on our property. This new unloading area will alleviate the need for small residential loads to enter the tip floor.





Did you know?... To properly dispose of your mercury thermostats bring them to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility on Thursdays from noon - 6:00 pm and Saturdays from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.

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#### **Recycling Hours**

The Recycling Transfer Station is a facility where recycling that is picked up from residential and commercial areas is brought. For the convenience of Brown County residents excess recycling can be dropped off through a small garage door outlined in yellow facing Broadway. The facility is open Monday - Friday, 7:30 am - 4:00 pm and is closed holidays and weekends. Recyclables are not accepted outside of normal business hours. In the past few months there has been an influx of illegal drop-offs. Material that is left outside of the recycling building can fly into the street and onto neighboring properties. Please be respectful and recycle excess material during open hours only.

According to Brown County Code, Chapter 12.04:

- (b) I. Unacceptable materials. No person shall throw, deposit, place, or dump any unacceptable materials at any of the Brown County Drop-off Recycling Centers. 2. Recyclables. No person shall throw, deposit, place, or dump recyclables on the ground at any of the Brown County Drop-off Recycling Centers.
- (d) Enforcement. Any violation of any provision of this section of the County Code by any person, firm, association, corporation or agent, employee or officer, shall be unlawful. Upon finding that a violation exists, the violator shall forfeit to the county not less than \$200 nor more than \$400 together with the taxable cost to such action.



### Wood Waste Recycling



A wood waste recycling program has been set up at the Waste Transfer Station. Wood waste that can be accepted for recycling includes; dimensional lumber (2"x4", 2"x6") etc., plywood, pallets, untreated decking and fencing.

Loads that will **NOT** be accepted for recycling include; painted wood, green treated lumber, stained wood, creosote containing wood (railroad ties), garbage (insulation, drywall, plastic shingles, etc.) **Any wood with nails longer than 4 inches will not be accepted.** 

Wood waste recycling is a voluntary program. In 2017, the rate for recycling wood waste is expected to decrease providing an incentive to recycle this material.

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### **Electronic Ticketing**

Brown County Port & Resource Recovery will be transitioning to an electronic scale ticket email software beginning late this summer. This program will email your scale ticket immediately after it is generated to a customer-provided email address.

You will be able to check or verify your scale ticket before you receive your monthly Invoice/Statement.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Sheri at (920) 492-4951 or email mcallister\_st@co.brown.wi.us.



#### What happens to... Paint?



Paint is one of the most common items that are accepted at Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facilities. What happens to paint at the Brown County HHW facility? Well, there are two types of paint: latex which uses a water base solvent, and alkaloid or oil-based paint which uses a flammable petroleum based solvent. When <u>dried</u>, since it is non-hazardous, latex paint can be landfilled; however, <u>liquid</u> latex paint is a commodity that can be recycled. Latex paint collected at the Brown County HHW is shipped to Amazon Paint in Minnesota where most of it is recycled

into new paint. Brown County is one of only a few programs that accept latex paint, though we do charge a fee. Oil based paint is a flammable hazardous waste that never really dries but forms a 'skin' at the surface of the can. Oil based paint is combined in 55 gallon drums, shipped to a hazardous waste contractor where the paint and other flammable liquids are used to create a fuel for cement kilns. Brown County Resource Recovery: creating resources from waste (paint)!

### **Customer Appreciation Days**



Waste Transfer Station - 3734 W. Mason St. Tuesday, September 13th, 2016 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Recycling Transfer Station - 2561 S. Broadway Wednesday, September 14th, 2016 10:00 am—2:00 pm



We appreciate your business! Thank you!

### Safety Tip—Poison Prevention Tips

Each year more than 2 million poisonings are reported to the 57 poison control centers across the county. More than 90% of these poisonings occur in or around the home. The majority of non-fatal poisonings occur in children younger than six years old. And, poisonings are one of the leading causes of death among adults.

Waste and Recycling industry employees may be faced with poison hazards or be in the presence of someone that has been poisoned. Identifying the poison may not be possible.

What To Do If A Poisoning Occurs?

- · Remain calm
- Call 911
  - Remain on the phone and try to have this information ready:
    - A. The victim's age and weight
    - B. The container or bottle of the poison if available
    - C. The time of the poison exposure
    - D. The address where the poisoning occurred
- Follow the instructions from the emergency operator or poison control center



If you would like more information Dose of Reality is a great resource, http://doseofrealitywi.gov/.



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If you are interested in reading more about a resource recovery topic online or in our newsletter let us know! We would love to hear from you. Email us at

bc\_resource\_recovery@co.brown.wi.us with your idea and we will post it or include it in our next newsletter.





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