



Northeast Indiana
Solid Waste
Management District

District News

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District Operations & Sustainability

Important Dates:

- District Board of Directors meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Ashley office complex.
- Household Problem Waste Program is open Fridays from 8:00 - noon to accept paint, oil, electronics and other items.

Recycling: Is a large part of our daily operations. The District recycles everything we can from traditional items like aluminum cans, printer cartridges and computers to non-traditional items like shoes, books and bulbs.

Office: Recycled content paper, pens and other products are used. Rain water is collected to water office plants.

Kitchen: Our kitchen is stocked with durable dishes and glassware, we even use cloth hand towels.

Bathroom: paper products are made with recycled content. All

cleaners are environmentally friendly.

Overall: Thermostats are turned back and lights are turned off outside of office hours. An inter-office email system is used rather than note writing and most correspondence is archived on the computer rather than printed. Our printer is defaulted to double-side everything when we do print. Even though we serve four-counties, we receive one hardcopy newspaper and read the others on-line. Watch for more discussion about sustainability and what it may mean to your operation.

Mission Statement

To assure uniform, efficient, cost-effective solid waste services are available to the citizens of the District.

It's Spring Clean-Up Time

Many cities and towns throughout the area are making plans for Spring Clean-up. Area residents have the opportunity to leave a variety of materials at the curb to be discarded during this time. But what about paint, cleaners, oil, electronics and other materials not accepted during the clean up.

If you know you have items the local solid waste service provider will not pick up, contact the Solid Waste District at 800-777-5462 for a detailed listing of materials they accept. Or, better yet, check out their website at www.niswmd.org. If you are going to gather your materials in the first place, you might as well make sure they can be discarded.

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Reduce-Reuse-Recycle-Rethink

For more information
go to the District's
website at
www.niswmd.org

Compost Sold Out

Compost supplies went fast once the weather turned warmer. The DeKalb and Steuben Compost Lots as well as the Ashley office facility will have more compost available later this summer. Watch for updates!



CLEAN Community Challenge

The Indiana Comprehensive Local Environmental Action Network (CLEAN) is a voluntary recognition program for local Indiana government. CLEAN helps communities take steps to plan, develop and implement a quality of life plan.

Who is Eligible?

All cities and towns

Why should you participate?

Improved ability to meet compliance requirements;

Increased efficiency, reduced costs and greater operational consistency;

Improved environmental awareness, involvement and competency throughout local government;

Better communication about environmental issues throughout the community; and

Better relationships with regulators.

What is the cost?

There is no fee to participate. Meeting the requirements will involve employee time during planning, development and implementation phases.

Who do I contact?

Contact a CLEAN program manager at 1-800-988-7901



Clear Stream Recycling Bins Available

The Solid Waste District would like to offer the use of the Clear Stream Recycling System to you; on loan to provide recycling at your events. All you need to do is contact Pam at the District office by phone 800-777-5462 or pdecamp@niswmd.org to schedule your event.

