

ALCONA COUNTY

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

OVERVIEW

Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has shifted their focus from disposal as the primary effort towards a circular economy where all waste materials find their highest and best use. Michigan took its first steps towards materials management a few years ago by securing funding to support an economy that reuses and recycles resources. An important component of that funding is for Solid Waste Management Planning – also referred to as Materials Management Planning. Materials management plans form the foundation of the changes the state is preparing to make.

To support this new era of materials management and future planning activities, EGLE initiated a massive data collection project to document and inventory the current state of materials management systems in all municipalities within Michigan's 83 counties. The primary objective of the Michigan Materials Management Infrastructure and Program project, also known as Mega Data, is to provide the baseline of data necessary for counties to develop future materials management plans and provide a roadmap for materials management moving forward. The data collected through the project would also be applied to the Benchmark Recycling Standard analysis developed by EGLE to help understand access to recycling services in the state, where gaps exist, and where EGLE may focus their support to improve access and infrastructure in the state.

EGLE contracted with Resource Recycling Systems (RRS) to support this large undertaking to gather, compile and analyze information from across the state.

PURPOSE OF THE COUNTY PROFILE

The County Profile was developed for two purposes. First, the profiles provided the opportunity to summarize all the information collected for all 83 counties and their municipalities to date as a project milestone. Second, despite the extensive research and information collection, RRS acknowledges that the information presented here may be incomplete. The County Profiles offered the opportunity for each county to review, edit and add to their county's profile information before finalizing as a deliverable for the Mega Data project. Later in the process, EGLE added the review of the County Profile as a requirement of the Materials Management County Engagement Grants (MMCE).

COUNTY PROFILE DEVELOPMENT

The County Profiles contain information that reflects research and outreach to understand programs and services available at the county and municipal levels. The information summarized here corresponds to information required in the state's Solid Waste Management Plan format and will assist counties and designated planning agencies with plan development. This profile focuses on residential programs and services. The information for the Profiles was collected from the following sources:

- Approved Solid Waste Management Plans
- EGLE's Waste Data System (WDS)
- EGLE's Recycle Search tool
- EGLE's Recycling Specialist staff
- Interviews with County program coordinators and designated planning agents
- County Run Measurement Program Survey via ReTRAC
- Municipal Measurement Program Survey via ReTRAC
- Information obtained through Freedom of Information Act requests
- Direct outreach through phone calls, emails, and letters to all target audiences and related groups or organizations with access to target audiences

- Web research
- Participation by Counties in the MMCE Grant Program

DISCLAIMER

This information presented here was gathered and compiled over several years by RRS on behalf of EGLE for the Mega Data project. The profile was originally developed as a tool to summarize information collected and engage counties in review of the information for finalization. The profile is not intended for use as a reference guide for residents or purposes other than to provide counties with information to support future materials management planning. Information, programs, and services can change frequently and therefore information presented here may be out of date. If information has been omitted or requires update, please contact RRS at alynott@recycle.com.

ACCESS AND COLLECTION

COUNTY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

No county run programs or services available in Alcona County. There is a monthly recycling drop-off available in the county provided by Recycle Alcona, a non-profit organization made up of volunteers. Recycle Alcona also coordinates a county clean-up day once per year that accepts tires, car batteries, propane tanks, dried paint, scrap metal, and shingles (fees apply).

MUNICIPAL PROGRAM AND SERVICES OVERVIEW

Programs and services offered or provided by municipalities for their residents are summarized by material type and then in two tables. One table features curbside services, and the other table features drop-off services. Programs and services are offered by a different entity other than the municipality and are noted in the tables.

TRASH

No information was found about trash.

RECYCLING

There is a monthly recycling drop-off available in the county provided by Recycle Alcona, a non-profit organization made up of volunteers. The program accepts cardboard, boxboard, newspaper, mixed office paper/junk mail, magazines, catalogs, phone books, plastic containers #1-#7, aluminum and tin, glass bottles and jars.

YARD WASTE

No information was found about yard waste.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

No information was obtained about Household Hazardous Waste programs in the county. Recycle Alcona directs residents to Alpena's Resource Recovery Facility and Transfer Station for handling of computers, monitors, keyboards, printers, televisions, radios, and VCRs.

OTHER

Recycle Alcona also coordinates a county clean-up day once per year that accepts tires, car batteries, propane tanks, dried paint, scrap metal, and shingles (fees apply). The last observed collection day was in 2021.

LIST OF ACTIVE HAULERS

- Sunrise Disposal
- Waste Management

CURBSIDE SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

No curbside programs found.

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH COLLECTOR	RECYCLING COLLECTOR	YARD WASTE COLLECTOR	OTHER CURBSIDE SERVICES
Curtis township				
Greenbush township				
Harrisville city				
Harrisville township				
Haynes township				
Hubbard Lake CDP (part)				
Hubbard Lake CDP (part)				
Hubbard Lake CDP (part)				
Lincoln village (part)				
Lincoln village (part)				
Lost Lake Woods CDP				
Mikado township				
Millen township				
Mitchell township				
Alcona township				
Caledonia township				
Gustin township				
Hawes township				

DROP-OFF SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH DROP-OFF SERVICES (PERMANENT)	RECYCLING DROP-OFF SERVICES (PERMANENT)	YARD WASTE OR OTHER ORGANICS DROP-OFF (PERMANENT)	OTHER PERMANENT DROP-OFF SERVICES	TEMPORARY DROP-OFF SERVICES
All Municipalities		Recycle Alcona Inc.			Alcona County Clean Up

FACILITIES

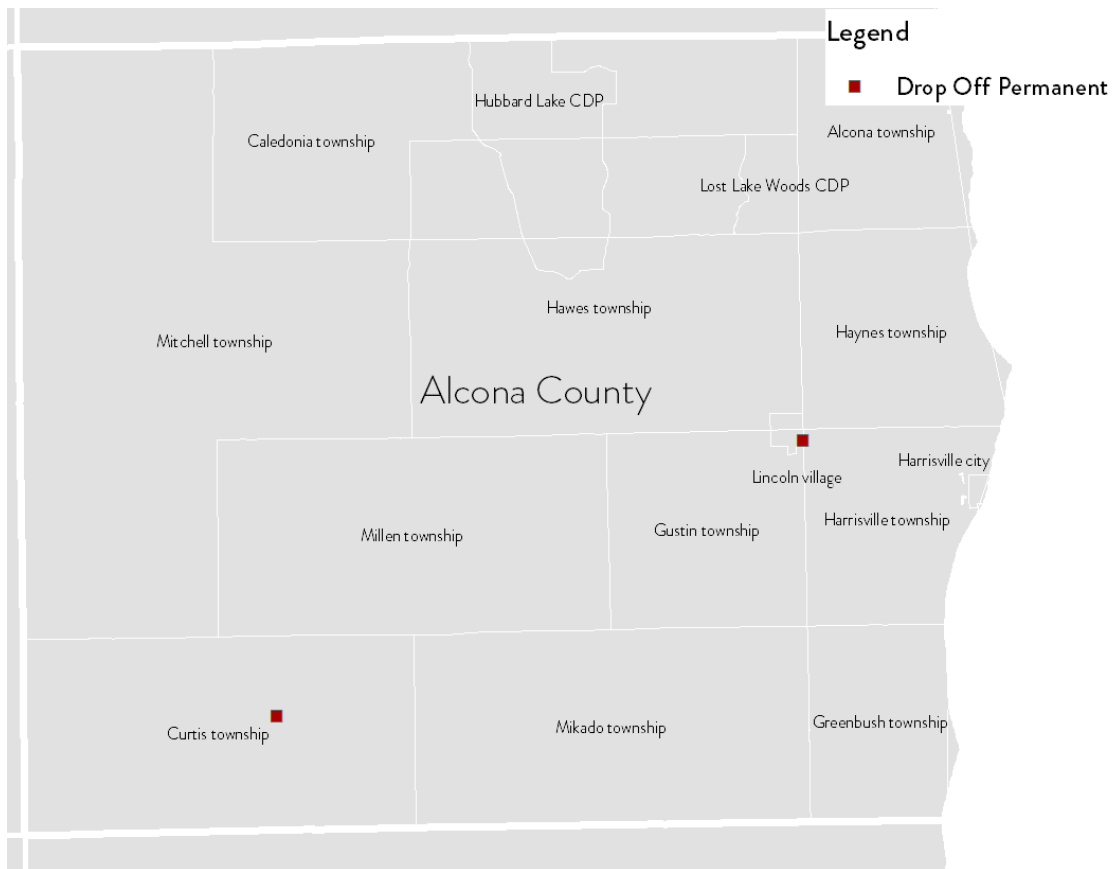
MATERIALS MANAGEMENT FACILITIES IN COUNTY

FACILITY SUMMARY TABLE

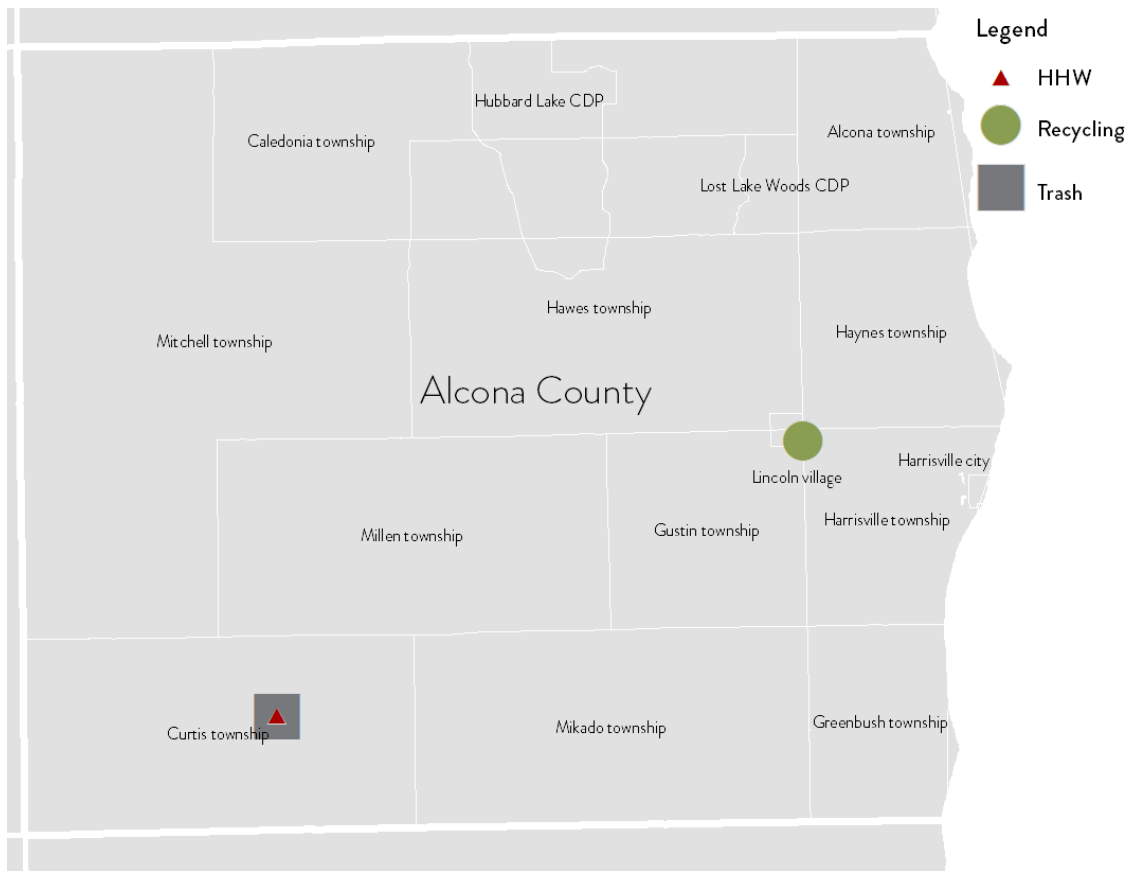
FACILITY TYPE	FACILITY NAME	FACILITY ADDRESS	CITY	PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY (FOR DROP-OFF ONLY)
Drop-off (NT, T)	Recycle Alcona County - Alcona Recreation Site	854 Barlow St.	Lincoln	Permanent Drop-off
Drop-off (B, WDC)	Jakes Transfer Station	5091 Bamfield Rd.	Glennie	Permanent Drop-off

Drop-off Facility Types: B = Transfer Station Type B; C&D = Construction & Demolition; NT = Source-Separated Recycling Drop-off Non-Traditional; T = Source-Separated Recycling Traditional; O = Organics; WDC = Waste Diversion Center

FACILITY SUMMARY MAP



FACILITY BY MATERIAL TYPE



POLICY

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES

No municipal ordinances were obtained.

MUNICIPAL FUNDING MECHANISMS

No funding mechanisms were obtained.

COUNTY ORDINANCES

No county ordinances were obtained.

COUNTY FUNDING MECHANISMS

No county funding mechanisms were obtained.

DATA

REPORTED DATA

No reported data.

RESIDENTIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

Municipality	Population	Total Waste Generation (Tons) ¹	Total Recyclable Diversion (Tons)	Total Organics Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Alcona township	412	187	13	16	158
Caledonia township	457	207	15	17	175
Curtis township	1,297	588	42	49	496
Greenbush township	1,309	593	42	50	501
Gustin township	719	326	23	27	275
Harrisville city	507	230	16	19	194
Harrisville township	1,383	627	45	53	529
Hawes township	610	276	20	23	233
Haynes township	661	300	21	25	253
Hubbard Lake CDP	532	241	17	20	204
Hubbard Lake CDP	182	82	6	7	70
Hubbard Lake CDP	172	78	6	7	66
Lincoln village	154	70	5	6	59
Lincoln village	121	55	4	5	46
Lost Lake Woods CDP	386	175	13	15	148
Mikado township	866	392	28	33	331
Millen township	328	149	11	13	126
Mitchell township	300	136	10	11	115
TOTAL	10,396	4,712	337	396	3,979

COMMERCIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

County	Approximate Number of Employees	Total Waste Generation (Tons)	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Alcona	872	1,469	148	1,321

TOTAL WASTE GENERATED PROJECTIONS

County	Total Waste Generation (Tons) ¹	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Alcona	6,181	882	5,299

¹ Due to rounding, total waste generation tonnages may not equal the sum of the total diversion and disposal tonnages.

