

# BARAGA 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](mailto:alynott@recycle.com).

# ACCESS AND COLLECTION

## COUNTY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

No county run programs or services available in Baraga County.

## 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 that may be offered by a different entity other than the municipality and are noted in the tables.

### TRASH

L'Anse village is the only community in the county that provides its residents with access to contracted curbside collection trash services. However, county residents can access drop-off trash services through the local Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Solid Waste Facility.

### RECYCLING

No information obtained about Recycling programs.

### YARD WASTE

No information was obtained about Yard Waste programs.

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

County residents can drop-off hazardous waste items through the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Solid Waste Facility temporary events. These events collect materials such as televisions, computers, laptops, cell phones, printers, and electronics for varying fees.

### OTHER

No information obtained about Other programs.

## LIST OF ACTIVE HAULERS

- Waste Management

## CURBSIDE SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH COLLECTOR	RECYCLING COLLECTOR	YARD WASTE COLLECTOR	OTHER CURBSIDE SERVICES
Arvon township				
Baraga village (part)				
Covington township				
L'Anse village	Waste Management Inc.			
Baraga township				

L'Anse township				
Spurr township				
Zeba CDP				

## 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	Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Solid Waste Facility				Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Solid Waste Facility

## FACILITIES

### MATERIALS MANAGEMENT FACILITIES IN COUNTY

#### FACILITY SUMMARY TABLE

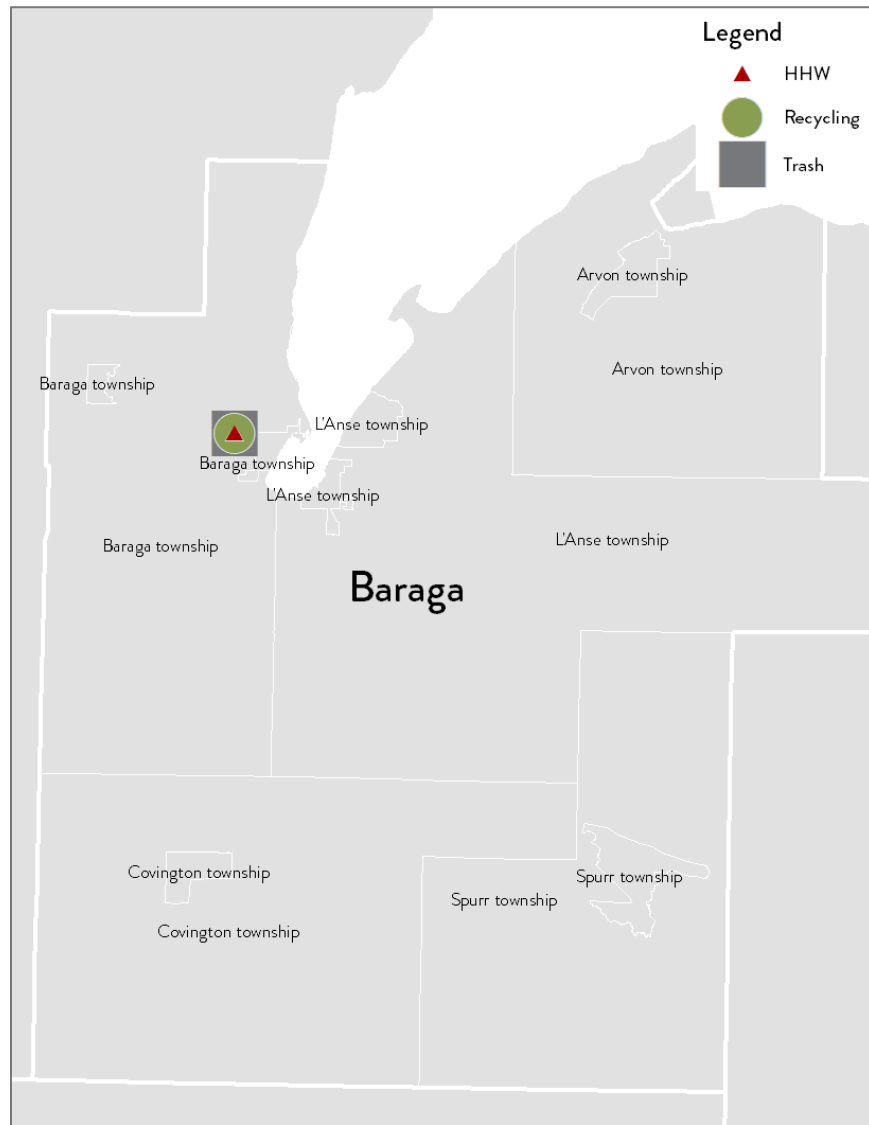
FACILITY TYPE	FACILITY NAME	FACILITY ADDRESS	CITY	PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY
Drop-off (B, WDC, C&D)	Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Solid Waste Facility	16278 Ojibwa Industrial Park Road	Baraga	Permanent Drop-off

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 obtained.

## COUNTY ORDINANCES

No county ordinances obtained.

## COUNTY FUNDING MECHANISMS

No funding mechanisms obtained.



# DATA

## REPORTED DATA

No reported data.

## RESIDENTIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

Municipality	Population	Total Waste Generation (Tons) <sup>1</sup>	Total Recyclable Diversion (Tons)	Total Organics Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Arvon township	336	141	0	13	129
Baraga township	1,448	609	0	55	554
Baraga village	2,073	872	0	79	793
Covington CDP	141	59	0	5	54
Covington township	269	113	0	10	103
L'Anse township	1,186	499	0	45	454
L'Anse village	2,091	880	0	80	800
Pelkie CDP	85	36	0	3	33
Skanee CDP	78	33	0	3	30
Spurr township	69	29	0	3	26
Three Lakes CDP	175	74	0	7	67
Zeba CDP	386	162	0	15	148
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,337</b>	<b>3,508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>3,190</b>

## COMMERCIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

County	Approximate Number of Employees	Total Waste Generation (Tons)	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Baraga	965	4,008	164	3,844

## TOTAL WASTE GENERATED PROJECTIONS

County	Total Waste Generation (Tons) <sup>1</sup>	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Baraga	7,516	482	7,034

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