

KALKASKA 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

Kalkaska County provides recycling and household hazardous waste (HHW) services to residents. Drop-off recycling is available at three sites within the county. The County collects HHW through one event annually. In 2022, this event took place at Kalkaska Middle School.

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.

TRASH

Three communities in Kalkaska County hold contracts with local haulers for curbside trash collection for their residents. All county residents can utilize the GFL Environmental Kalkaska Transfer Station for drop-off trash services.

RECYCLING

There are currently no communities in the county that provide curbside recycling collection through contracted haulers. The county's residents are likely serviced by subscription haulers in an open market. All county residents can utilize the Kalkaska County Recycling drop-off program, which accepts paper, cardboard, glass, plastic bottles and jugs, metal cans and scrap.

YARD WASTE

County residents can utilize the GFL Environmental Kalkaska Transfer Station to drop-off common yard waste materials, including brush and leaves.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

The Kalkaska County Conservation District hosts household hazardous waste events for residents. These events accept materials such as automotive fluids, anti-freeze, mercury, alkaline batteries, paint, lawn chemicals, household cleaners, and fluorescent bulbs.

OTHER

No information obtained about Other programs.

LIST OF ACTIVE HAULERS

- American Waste
- Area Waste

CURBSIDE SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH COLLECTOR	RECYCLING COLLECTOR	YARD WASTE COLLECTOR	OTHER CURBSIDE SERVICES
Bear Lake CDP				
Blue Lake township	GFL Environmental			
Garfield township				
Kalkaska village				
Manistee Lake CDP (part)				
Manistee Lake CDP (part)				
Oliver township				
Orange township				
Rapid City CDP				
Rapid River township	Area Waste			
Bear Lake township				
Boardman township				
Clearwater township				
Coldsprings township	GFL Environmental			
Excelsior township				
Kalkaska township				
South Boardman CDP				
Springfield 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
Bear Lake CDP	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Blue Lake township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Garfield township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Kalkaska village	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Manistee Lake CDP (part)	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
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Oliver township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Orange township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Rapid City CDP	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District

Rapid River township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Bear Lake township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Boardman township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Clearwater township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Coldsprings township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Excelsior township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Kalkaska township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
South Boardman CDP	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District
Springfield township	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center	Kalkaska County Recycling	GFL Environmental Kalkaska Disposal Center		Kalkaska Conservation District

FACILITIES

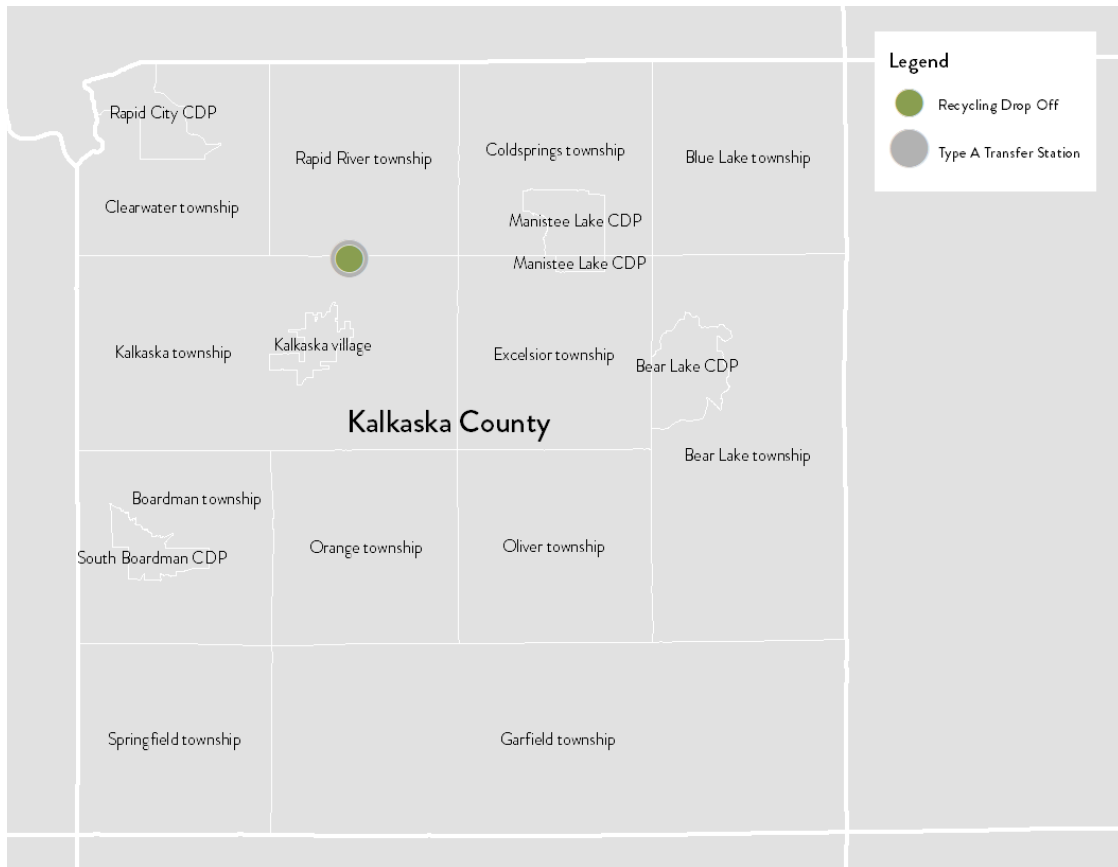
MATERIALS MANAGEMENT FACILITIES IN COUNTY

FACILITY SUMMARY TABLE

FACILITY TYPE	FACILITY NAME	FACILITY ADDRESS	CITY	PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY
Drop-off (B, T, NT, C&D)	GFL Kalkaska Transfer Station	3947 US-131	Kalkaska	Permanent Drop-off
Drop-off (B, C&D)	Northern A-1 Waste Transfer Station	3947 US Highway 131 N	Kalkaska	Permanent Drop-off
Transfer Station – Type A	Northern A-1 Waste Transfer Station	3947 Us Highway 131 N	Kalkaska	

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



POLICY

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES

No municipal ordinances were obtained.

MUNICIPAL FUNDING MECHANISMS

Municipality	Waste Collection	Recycling Collection	Organics Collection	Bulky Item Collection
Coldsprings township	Legislatively Authorized Millages			
Bear Lake CDP		Legislatively Authorized Millages		

COUNTY ORDINANCES

No county ordinances 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)
Bear Lake CDP	371	168	12	14	142
Bear Lake township	294	133	10	11	112
Blue Lake township	462	209	15	18	177
Boardman township	901	408	29	34	345
Clearwater township	1,023	464	33	39	391
Coldsprings township	1,111	504	36	42	425
Excelsior township	820	372	27	31	314
Garfield township	808	366	26	31	309
Kalkaska township	2,626	1,190	85	100	1,005
Kalkaska village	2,230	1,011	72	85	853
Manistee Lake CDP	432	196	14	16	165
Manistee Lake CDP	95	43	3	4	36
Oliver township	304	138	10	12	116
Orange township	1,472	667	48	56	563
Rapid City CDP	1,495	678	49	57	572
Rapid River township	1,527	692	50	58	584
South Boardman CDP	489	222	16	19	187
Springfield township	1,265	573	41	48	484

COMMERCIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

County	Approximate Number of Employees	Total Waste Generation (Tons)	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Kalkaska	2,169	8,604	369	8,235

TOTAL WASTE GENERATED PROJECTIONS

County	Total Waste Generation (Tons) <small>Bookmark not defined.</small>	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Kalkaska	16,637	1,620	15,017

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