

# MARQUETTE 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 are available in Marquette County. However, the Marquette County Solid Waste Authority provides drop-off recycling, drop-off organics collection, and drop-off household hazardous waste collection.

## 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

Most of the county's population has access to curbside trash collection through contracted haulers. Michigamme Township provides this service through municipal collection. The remainder of the county is most likely served by the open market where residents make their own arrangements for trash collection, also known as subscription services. Drop-off trash services are available through the Marquette County Landfill and several community-run or privately-run transfer stations.

## RECYCLING

Many communities that provide curbside trash collection through contracted haulers also provide residents with access to curbside recycling services through the same haulers. The entire county's population has access to drop-off recycling services through the county's Recycle 906 Program. Through this program, residents can recycle paper, cardboard, plastic bottles and jugs, and metal cans. Other community-specific or privately-run recycling drop-off programs are available throughout the county.

## YARD WASTE

Common yard waste materials, such as brush and leaves, can be collected curbside in the City of Ishpeming. All county residents can drop-off yard waste through the solid waste authority's composting program.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

The county's residents can drop-off Household Hazardous Waste through the county's Recycle 906 program. Materials accepted through this program include automotive fluids, motor oil, anti-freeze, mercury, batteries, oil-based paint, lawn chemicals, household cleaners, pharmaceuticals, sharps, and propane tanks.

## OTHER

No information obtained about Other programs.

## LIST OF ACTIVE HAULERS

- Waste Management
- GFL Environmental
- North County Disposal
- Municipal

## CURBSIDE SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH COLLECTOR	RECYCLING COLLECTOR	YARD WASTE COLLECTOR	OTHER CURBSIDE SERVICES
Big Bay CDP				
Champion township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Ely township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Ewing township	GFL Environmental			
Gwinn CDP				
Harvey CDP	Waste Management Inc.	Waste Management Inc.		
Ishpeming city	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal	City of Ishpeming	
K. I. Sawyer CDP				
Marquette city	Waste Management	Waste Management		
Michigamme CDP	Michigamme Township	Michigamme Township		
Negaunee city	GFL Environmental	GFL Environmental		
Negaunee township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Palmer CDP	GFL Environmental	GFL Environmental		
Chocolay charter township	Waste Management Inc.	Waste Management Inc.		
Forsyth township				
Humboldt township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Ishpeming township	GFL Environmental ; Ishpeming Twp	GFL Environmental		
Marquette charter township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Michigamme township	Michigamme Township	Michigamme Township		
Powell township				
Republic township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		

Richmond township	North Country Disposal			
Tilden township	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
West Branch township	GFL Environmental			
Republic CDP	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Sands township	Sands Township/DPW			
Skandia township				
Trowbridge Park CDP	North Country Disposal	North Country Disposal		
Turin township	Bryan Lancour			
Wells township	North Country Disposal			
West Ishpeming 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
Big Bay CDP	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Champion township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Ely township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Ewing township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Gwinn CDP	Forsyth Township Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906  Forsyth Township Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Harvey CDP	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	

	Marquette County Landfill				
Ishpeming city	West End Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
K. I. Sawyer CDP	Forsyth Township Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906  Forsyth Township Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Marquette city	Waste Management Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program City of Marquette Compost	Recycle 906	
Michigamme CDP	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Negaunee city	Refuse Drop Off Site  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Negaunee township	Monthly drop off Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Palmer CDP	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Chocoley charter township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Forsyth township	Forsyth Township Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Forsyth Township Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	

Humboldt township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Ishpeming township	West End Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Marquette charter township	Marquette Township Residential Garbage Customers Drop Off Site (North Country Transfer Station)  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 North Country Disposal Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program North Country Transfer Station	Recycle 906	
Michigamme township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Michigamme Twp Hall	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Powell township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Powell Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Republic township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Richmond township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Richmond Township Hall	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Tilden township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
West Branch township	Skandia/West Branch Twp Transfer station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Skandia/West Branch Recycling Center	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Republic CDP	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	



Sands township	Sands Twp Transfer Station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Sands Township Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Skandia township	Skandia/West Branch Twp Transfer station  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906 Skandia/West Branch Transfer Station	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Trowbridge Park CDP	Marquette Township Residential Garbage Customers Drop Off Site  Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Turin township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
Wells township	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	
West Ishpeming CDP	Marquette County Landfill	MCSWMA Recycle 906	MCSWMA Composting Program	Recycle 906	

# FACILITIES

## MATERIALS MANAGEMENT FACILITIES IN COUNTY

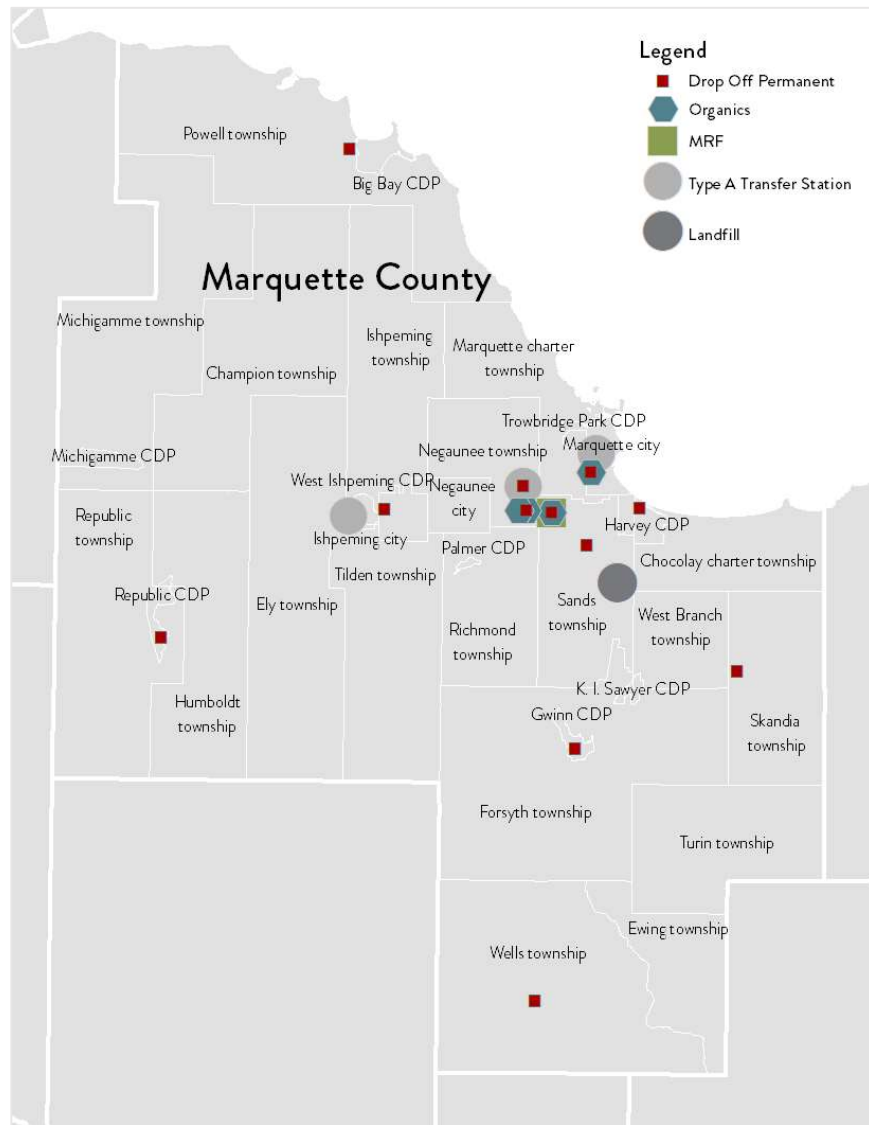
FACILITY SUMMARY TABLE

FACILITY TYPE	FACILITY NAME	FACILITY ADDRESS	CITY	PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY
<b>Compost (Yard Waste)</b>	City of Marquette Compost Site	1415 Pioneer Road	Marquette	
<b>Compost (Yard Waste)</b>	City of Negaunee Compost Site	300 County Road 480	Negaunee	
<b>Compost (Yard Waste &amp; Other)</b>	Marquette County Landfill	600 County Road NP	Marquette	
<b>Drop-off (O)</b>	City of Ishpeming Compost Site	700 Sunset Dr	Ishpeming	
<b>Drop-off (O)</b>	City of Marquette Compost Site	1415 Pioneer Road	Marquette	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (O)</b>	City of Negaunee Compost Site	300 County Road 480	Negaunee	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (WDC)</b>	Comprenew at Goodwill of Northern Wisconsin & Upper Michigan	3125 US 41	Marquette	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (B, NT, C&amp;D, O)</b>	Forsyth Township Transfer & Recycling Center	180 West Depot Road	Forsyth Township	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (WDC, B, T, NT, C&amp;D, O)</b>	Marquette County Landfill	600 County Road NP	Marquette	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (WDC, B, T, C&amp;D, O)</b>	North Country Transfer Station	83 Eagle Mills Road	Negaunee	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (WDC, B, T, NT)</b>	Powell Township Transfer Station			Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (NT)</b>	Republic Township Transfer Station	8850 Willow Drive	Republic	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (WDC, B, T, C&amp;D)</b>	Sands Township Transfer Station			Permanent Drop-off

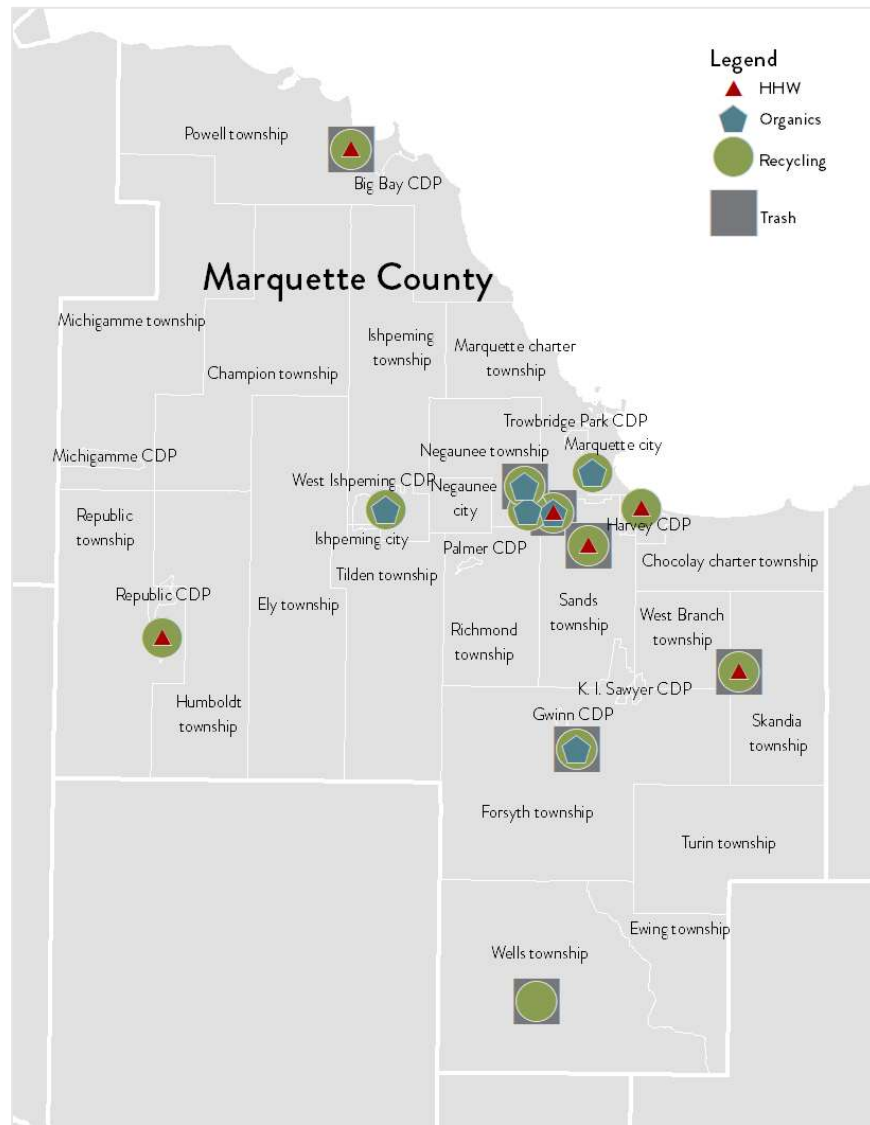
<b>Drop-off (WDC, B, T, NT, C&amp;D)</b>	Skandia & West Branch Transfer Facility			Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (B)</b>	Wells Township Type B Transfer Station	42904 County 426 M.5 Rd,	Arnold	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Transfer Station – Type A</b>	Marquette Transfer Station	910 W Baraga Ave	Marquette	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Transfer Station – Type A</b>	E R Disposal Inc Db a North Country Disposal	83 Eagle Mills Road	Negaunee	
<b>Transfer Station – Type A</b>	West End Transfer Station	2150 US 41 WEST	Ishpeming	
<b>MRF</b>	Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority	600 County Road NP	Marquette	
<b>Landfill</b>	Marquette County Landfill	600 County Road NP off 480	Marquette	

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

Municipality	Policy type	Requirement
Ishpeming city	Ordinance	Hauler licensing, can with lid or plastic bags for waste, solid waste container size, collection and disposition of refuse,
Ishpeming township	Ordinance	Hauler licensing, collection and disposition of refuse
Marquette city	Ordinance	Hauler licensing and utility billing, solid waste container size, collection and disposition of refuse
Marquette charter township	Ordinance	Hauler licensing, collection and disposition of refuse
Negaunee city	Ordinance	Collection and disposition of refuse, solid waste container size, cans or bags for waste
Negaunee township	Ordinance	Hauler licensing, collection and disposition of refuse, user fees
Republic township	Ordinance	Collection and disposition of refuse, can or cart for waste, user fees,

## MUNICIPAL FUNDING MECHANISMS

Municipality	Waste Collection	Recycling Collection	Organics Collection	Bulky Item Collection
Chocolay charter township	Supplemental Fees, Hauler Licensing Fees			
Ely township	Legislatively Authorized Millage			
Forsyth township	Adopted Fees, Hauler Licensing Fees			
Humboldt township	Legislatively Authorized Millage			
Ishpeming city	Hauler Licensing Fees			
Ishpeming township	Hauler Licensing Fees			
Marquette city	Municipal Utility/Service Fee, Hauler Licensing Fees			
Marquette charter township	Hauler Surcharges, Hauler Licensing Fees			

<b>Negaunee city</b>	Municipal Utility/Service Fee			
<b>Negaunee township</b>	Hauler Licensing Fees			
<b>Powell township</b>	Legislatively Authorized Millage			
<b>Sands township</b>	Legislatively Authorized Millage			
<b>Tilden township</b>	Legislatively Authorized Millage			

**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) <sup>1</sup>	Total Recyclable Diversion (Tons)	Total Organics Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Big Bay CDP	555	252	18	21	212
Champion township	239	101	0	9	91
Chocolay charter township	3,424	1,627	186	131	1,310
Ely township	2,101	894	10	80	804
Ewing township	175	79	6	7	67
Forsyth township	2,453	1,112	80	94	939
Gwinn CDP	1,741	789	56	66	666
Harvey CDP	1,136	540	62	43	435
Harvey CDP	2,501	1,052	0	95	957
Humboldt township	460	194	0	18	176
Ishpeming city	6,433	3,056	350	245	2,462
Ishpeming township	846	402	46	32	324
K. I. Sawyer CDP	1,981	898	64	76	758
K. I. Sawyer CDP	826	374	27	31	316
Marquette charter township	1,717	904	182	65	657
Marquette city	20,631	9,487	806	786	7,894
Michigamme CDP	215	97	7	8	82
Michigamme township	47	20	0	2	18
Negaunee city	4,537	2,156	247	173	1,736
Negaunee township	3,104	1,431	125	118	1,188
Palmer CDP	394	197	31	15	151
Powell township	353	149	0	13	135
Republic CDP	539	256	29	21	206
Republic township	446	212	24	17	171
Richmond township	544	247	18	21	208
Sands township	1,292	544	0	49	494
Skandia township	891	375	0	34	341
Tilden township	839	380	27	32	321
Trowbridge Park CDP	2,190	1,041	119	83	838
Turin township	160	73	5	6	61
Wells township	192	87	6	7	73
West Branch township	651	295	21	25	249
West Ishpeming CDP	2,668	1,209	87	102	1,021
West Ishpeming CDP	122	55	4	5	47

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



<b>TOTAL</b>	66,403	30,585	2,643	2,530	25,408
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**COMMERCIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS**

County	Approximate Number of Employees	Total Waste Generation (Tons)	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
<b>Marquette</b>	15,352	33,342	2,613	30,730

**TOTAL WASTE GENERATED PROJECTIONS**

County	Total Waste Generation (Tons)	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
<b>Marquette</b>	63,924	7,786	56,138