

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

Regular Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 1:00pm

Location: Lewis County Public Works, second floor conference room, 57 W. Main Street, Chehalis
(ZOOM option available)

I. **CALL TO ORDER:**

II. **ROLL CALL:** Members in attendance (In person and with ZOOM)

III. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:** Majority of members required to qualify for quorum

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the regular June 11, 2025, meeting to be approved

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:** Additional member(s) needed to reach the minimum requirement of nine

A. Packwood Business Meeting

VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

A. New Business:

- SWAC budget sub-committee
- Lewis County Solid Waste Management Plan

B. Reports/Updates:

- SWAC – Terry Harris, Chair
- WSU Extension – Jason Adams
- Lemay/Waste Connections – Tom Rupert, District Manager
- Department of Ecology – Christina Kullberg, Grants and Planning
- Lewis County Solid Waste – Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager
 - Community Litter Report as presented at Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD)
 - Tonnage Report as presented at SWDD

VIII. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:**

IX. **NEXT MEETING:** October 8, 2025, from 1pm – 3pm

X. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Please note that SWAC meetings are open for
In-person or Zoom attendance.**

**ZOOM Instructions for
LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Please see below.

ONLINE: Attend the meeting via Zoom at
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87544336007?pwd=3j3z9arjmgBHtLHSP2Qf3aOGZzPteR.1>
The passcode is 814853.

BY PHONE: To attend by phone, call 888-475-4499.
The meeting ID is 875 4433 6007 and the passcode is 814853.

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) – Minutes

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In-Person Meeting with ZOOM option.

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Terry Harris at 1:02 pm.

II. **ROLL CALL:** *Members in attendance.*

Member Name	Representation	Attend.	Non- Member Name	Representation
Terry Harris	SWAC Chair	P	Rocky Lyon	LCSW Manager
Shawn O'Neill	City of Napavine Mayor	UA	Karen Hirte	LCSW Administrative Assistant
Jason Adams	SWAC Vice-Chair	P-Zoom	Tina Correia	LC Public Works Deputy Director
Ed Morlan	Waste Management Industry	EA	Christina Kullberg (Zoom)	Department of Ecology
Tom Rupert	Waste Management Industry	EA	Lynn Ford	Master Recycler Composters
Robert Spahr	Chehalis City Council	P		
Max Vogt	Centralia City Council	P-Zoom		
Attendance recorded for members.				
P=Present; EA=Excused Absence; UA=Unexcused Absence				

III. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:** A quorum was present with four of the eight members in attendance. RCW 70A.205.110 requires a minimum of nine members. The committee is aware of the membership requirements and working on member recruitment.

IV. **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** "Motion." Motion made by Robert Spahr and seconded by Max Vogt to approve the April 9, 2025, minutes. Motion Carried.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Lynn Ford with Master Recycler Composters (MRC) came to speak about the MRC Tool Bucket Library, which is now open. The purpose of the Tool Library is to learn about tools before you purchase them, or if you don't have the funds to purchase the tools to use, you can borrow them from the Tool Library. They have partnered with other organizations such as the Clothing and Textile Advisors and Hub City Bike Shop to help with their repair fairs. Max Vogt helped sponsor the first repair fair in April 2023 and is a continuing support for the MRCs. For more information on the Tool Bucket Library, their website is www.mrctoolbucketlibrary.org.

VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:**

- Additional member(s) needed to reach the minimum requirement of nine. Rieva Lester, with the Board of County Commissioners' office, has sent out a press release for SWAC membership interest. Rocky Lyon will visit the East End to make some inquiries with local businesses there.

VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

A. **New Business:** None.

B. **Reports/Updates:**

- SWAC – Jason Adams – Vice Chair.
 - The last Repair and Sustainability Fair diverted 583 pounds from the landfill. 63 individuals brought 86 items and 62 knives and tools for sharpening.
 - The lunchtime Learning Series has started again. It is on Zoom from 12-1 pm and they are looking for presenters.
- LeMay/Waste Connections – Tom Rupert, LeMay Enterprises, Inc. – None.
- Department of Ecology – Christina Kullberg, Grants and Planning.
 - The Washington State Public Works Board opened a new funding cycle for local planning and construction projects. Applications are due August 8, 2025. Cities, counties, special purpose, districts, and quasi municipal organizations are eligible to apply.
 - Governor Ferguson signed the Recycling Reform Act on May 17, 2025. This makes Washington State the seventh state to enact an extended producer responsibility program for consumer packaging. For any questions, please go to recyclingreform@ecy.wa.gov.
 - For those who are interested in organics, Ecology is updating its Organics Material Management Regulations in chapter 173-350 WAC, Solid Waste Handling Standards. This addresses contamination of food waste, feed stocks, and finished products at organic waste handling facilities. They will be holding a public meeting on Monday, June 30, 2025, from 1-3 pm.
- Lewis County Solid Waste – Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.
 - Community Litter Program Report – April 2025.
 - The Lewis County Litter Crew spent 153 hours cleaning up 38 road miles, 2,160 pounds of garbage resulting in \$50 in other item fees, and \$253 in total disposal fees. Public Works helped do some clean-ups with \$40 in fees. The supplies, vehicle and cell phone fees were \$2,272.
 - The Lewis County Litter Crew also spent 68 hours cleaning up six illegal dumpsites and just under 2,200 pounds. Total disposal fees, including other items, were \$350.
 - The Contracted Litter Crew reported \$4,823 in labor fees for Express Personnel contract workers to help Brett.
 - The Interchanges and Intersections through the City of Centralia cleaned up 76 pounds of litter in 64 hours. \$65 in other items and total labor and disposal fees were \$1,443.
 - Centralia volunteers had 33 volunteers spend 47 hours cleaning up 59 bags of litter. Chehalis volunteers cleaned up under Chamber Way and along National Avenue. Three volunteers reported ten hours and cleaned up four bags of litter. The Trash Force Volunteers spent 30 hours and cleaned up 2.02 tons on Skate Creek Rd.
 - Transfer Station Tonnage – April 2025.
 - Tonnage for the month of April was up 259 tons in Centralia from last year at 7,452 tons and down 64 tons in Morton at 857 tons. Total tonnage for 2025 so far is 29,327 tons.
 - The Winlock recycling event was a success. They opened 30 minutes early and recycled over 50 appliances. 75 vehicles came to recycle items. There will be another recycling event in Pe Ell on June 14, 2025, from 10-2 pm. There will also be shredding available.
 - We are closed Thursday, June 19, 2025, for Juneteenth.

VIII. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:**

- The Plan draft should be available for review and adoption. We will send the Plan out to the members as soon as we have it.

IX. **NEXT MEETING:** August 13, 2025, from 1pm – 3pm. Location: 57 W. Main Street, Chehalis.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 1:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Hirte".

Karen Hirte
Lewis County Solid Waste Administrative Assistant

Solid Waste Utility

Community Litter Cleanup Program Summary

For the Month of June 2025

Lewis County Litter Crew

Supervisor Hours		44
Crew Hours		88
Road Miles		28
Weight (Pounds)		1,460
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	60
Total Disposal Fees	\$	160
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$	218
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$	2,075

Illegal Dumpsites

Supervisor Hours		28
Crew Hours		55
Dumpsites Cleaned		7
Weight (Pounds)		2,360
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	140
Total Disposal Fees	\$	221

Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside

Crew Hours		-
Road Miles		-
Weight (Pounds)		-
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	4,947

Interchanges and Intersections

Hours		226
Weight (Pounds)		5,710
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	265
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	27,459

Volunteer Litter Clean-up

Hours		43
Weight (Pounds)		-
Bags Collected		32
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Disposal Fees	\$	-

Totals may not foot due to rounding.

COMMUNITY LITTER CLEANUP PROGRAM 2025

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	YTD Totals
Lewis County Litter Crew													
Supervisor Hours Litter	-	-	18	53	44	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	158
Crew Hours	-	-	35	105	88	88	-	-	-	-	-	-	316
Road Miles	-	-	12	38	27	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	105
Road side disposal weight	-	-	1,080	2,160	1,660	1,460	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,360
Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 69	\$ 253	\$ 235	\$ 160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 717
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,243	\$ 2,272	\$ 2,001	\$ 2,075	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,591
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ 40	\$ -	\$ 218	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 278
Illegal Dumpsites													
Supervisor Hours	55	51	48	23	30	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	233
Crew Hours	110	101	95	45	59	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	465
Dumpsites Cleaned	14	12	12	6	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	58
Pounds	5,160	5,040	4,300	2,160	2,340	2,360	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,360
Disposal Fees	\$ 961	\$ 1,324	\$ 1,005	\$ 350	\$ 1,278	\$ 221	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside													
Team Hours	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Road Miles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ 4,232	\$ 5,311	\$ 4,857	\$ 4,823	\$ 5,445	\$ 4,947	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,615
Interchanges and Intersections													
Hours	56	46	21	64	221	226	-	-	-	-	-	-	634
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	600	520	240	76	6,260	5,710	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,406
Pounds of Recycling Picked Up	30	-	15	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ 1,255	\$ 1,051	\$ 474	\$ 1,443	\$ 23,539	\$ 27,459	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,220
Interchanges cleaned:													
Volunteer Litter Clean-up Work													
Hours	60	48	41	87	59	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	338
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	4,040	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,040
Bags Collected	80	50	76	63	44	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	345
Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Centralia Volunteers: nine volunteers, 43 hours, picked up 24 bags of litter

Chehalis Volunteers: None reported

Lewis County Volunteers: Trash Force Volunteers picked up eight bags of litter

Totals may not foot due to rounding.

Note:

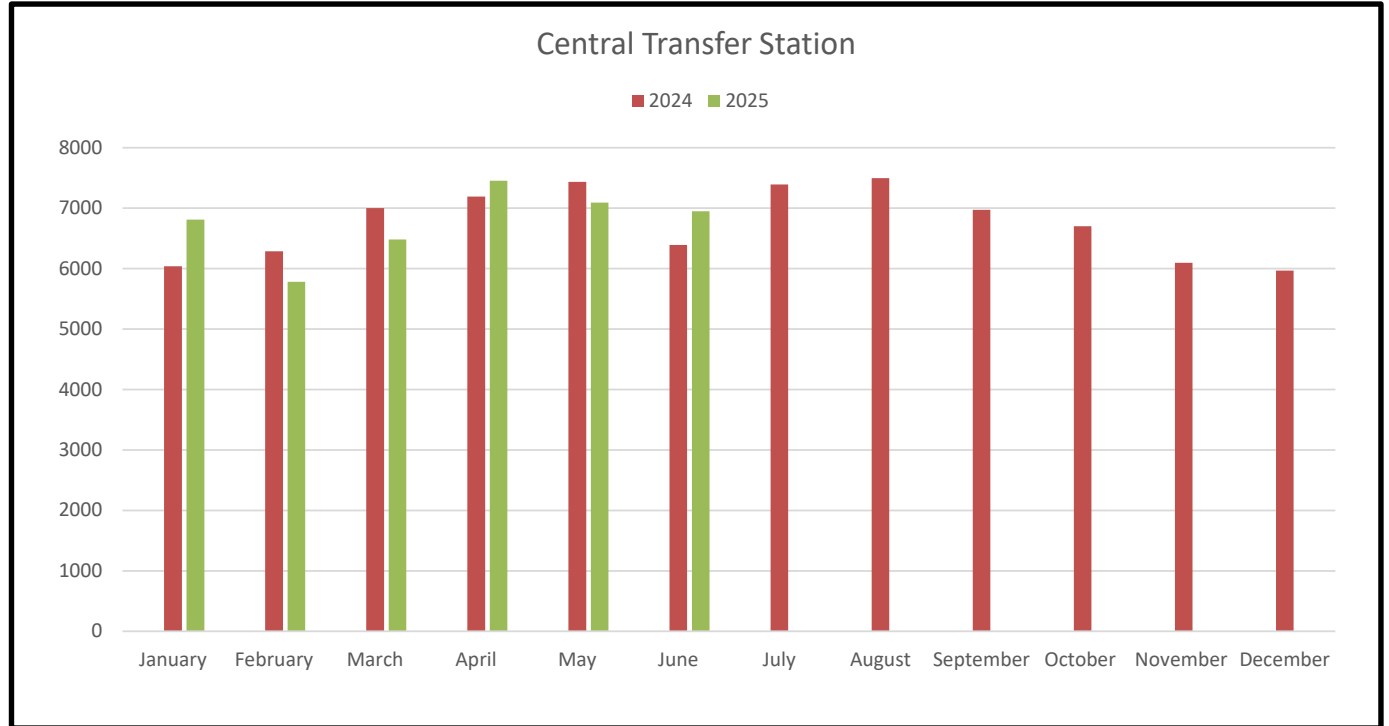
February Interchanges and Intersections labor fees had an additional \$7.80 due to a revised January invoice.

June Interchanges and Intersections included a late invoice from May for eight hours, 370 pounds and \$2160 in fees.

Illegal Dumpsites cleaned				
Road & Mile Post	Pounds	Other	Other Fees	# of Sites
Cope Rd. MP .5	400	-	\$ 10	1
Camus Rd. MP 1	260	-	\$ -	1
Centralia Alpha Rd. MP 3	100	-	\$ 80	1
Frost Rd. MP 2.5	480	-	\$ 20	1
King Rd. MP 5	480	-	\$ -	1
Teitzel Rd. MP 1	260	-	\$ -	1
Burchett Rd. MP 1.5	380	-	\$ 30	1
	2,360		\$ 140	7

LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE TONNAGE REPORT

Month	Central Transfer Station		
	2024	2025	Difference
January	6,037	6,810	773
February	6,288	5,781	(507)
March	6,999	6,482	(517)
April	7,193	7,452	259
May	7,435	7,093	(342)
June	6,390	6,948	558
July	7,392		
August	7,496		
September	6,974		
October	6,701		
November	6,098		
December	5,969		
Total Tonnage	80,973	40,564	



Month	East Lewis County		
	2024	2025	Difference
January	553	737	184
February	824	493	(331)
March	771	715	(56)
April	921	857	(64)
May	811	840	29
June	913	804	(109)
July	907		
August	1,022		
September	930		
October	835		
November	607		
December	645		
Total Tonnage	9,738	4,447	

2025 Total
7,547
6,274
7,198
8,309
7,933
7,752
-
-
-
-
-
-
45,011

2025 Estimated Tonnage: 90,000

Actual Tonnage/Estimated Tonnage 50%

