

# Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

## Regular Meeting Agenda

**Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 1:00pm**

Location: Lewis County Solid Waste Conference Room 1411 South Tower Avenue, Centralia  
(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 February 11, 2026, meeting to be approved
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:** Additional member(s) needed to reach the minimum requirement of nine
- VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**
  - A. New Business:
    - Ritchie Bros auction
    - Plan update
  - B. Reports/Updates:
    - SWAC – Terry Harris, Chair
    - WSU Extension – Jason Adams
    - Lemay/Waste Connections – Tom Rupert, District Manager/Ed Morlan, Lemay Site 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:** August 12, 2026, from 1pm – 3pm
- X. **ADJOURNMENT:**

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

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

Wednesday, April 08, 2026, at 1:00 pm

Please see below.

**ONLINE:** Attend the meeting via Zoom at  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81532346086?pwd=C5VmMEZ6j4FAHg91wmBvTFs0roW2Ky.1>  
The passcode is 931364.

**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

Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 1:00 pm Regular Meeting

Location: Lewis County Solid Waste, 1411 S. Tower Ave., Centralia, WA 98532  
In-Person Meeting with ZOOM option.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Terry Harris at 1:03 pm.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** *Members in attendance.*

Member Name	Representation	Attend.	Non- Member Name	Representation
Terry Harris	SWAC Chair	EA	Rocky Lyon	LCSW Manager
Jason Adams	SWAC Vice-Chair	P-Zoom	Karen Hirte	LCSW Administrative Assistant
Max Vogt	Centralia City Council	P	Christina Kullberg	Department of Ecology
Ed Morlan	Waste Management Industry	EA		
Tom Rupert	Waste Management Industry	P		
Robert Spahr	Chehalis City Council	EA		
Sam Schellenger	City of Mossyrock Council	P		
Attendance recorded for members.				
P=Present; EA=Excused Absence; UA=Unexcused Absence				

- III. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:** A quorum was present with four of the seven 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:** “I move that we approve the December 10, 2025, minutes.” Motion made by Tom Rupert and seconded by Max Vogt. Motion passes four to zero.
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
- VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:** Mr. Schellenger has joined the SWAC as a member of the City of Mossyrock’s City Council. Max Vogt has reached out to the new City of Centralia council member, Ray Chapman-Wilson, to encourage membership as well. Jason Adams will be in Morton on March 14, 2026, for a Repair Fair, and will take SWAC information with him to spread the word.
- VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**
  - A. **New Business:** None.
  - B. **Reports/Updates:**
    - SWAC – Terry Harris – Chair – None.
    - WSU Extension – Jason Adams.
      - There is a new volunteer that is interested in litter clean-up and the Adopt-A-Road program.
      - They had 280 trees dropped off for their tree recycling program this year. This is almost 40 more trees than last year. There were 33 lights and 24 wreaths and garlands dropped off as well. There was not as much shredding as last year, so they may increase the amount individuals can bring in.

- We are working with Facilities on utilizing a space at the Fairgrounds for the MRC's and Tool Bucket Library.
- LeMay/Waste Connections – Tom Rupert, LeMay Enterprises, Inc.
  - Residential Commingle diverted just over 6,500 tons of recycling from the Lewis County waste stream throughout 2025.
- Department of Ecology – Christina Kullberg, Grants and Planning.
  - Ecology's Organics team will be hosting another round of summits this spring. These are all-day, in-person opportunities for solid waste staff and other service providers to connect with Ecology and collaborate on the collection of organics and implementing organics management laws. The summits will be held on April 30, 2026, in Lacey.
  - Ecology's Food Center is doing a "Use Food Well Peer Network" meeting on March 31, 2026.
  - Recycling Reform Act (RRA) - organizations that manage residential packaging and paper products for the purposes of recycling should register with Ecology. They had their first Recycling Reform Act Advisory Council kickoff meeting in early February. Please let Christina know if you would like more information on this.
  - Ecology released a study on a Recycling Refund Program. For more information, please contact Christina.
  - Product Care Recycling (PCA) ceased their administrative operations of the LightRecycle Washington Program. Ecology is looking for someone to take over the administration of this program.
- Lewis County Solid Waste – Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.
  - Community Litter Program Report – Year-End 2025.
    - The Lewis County Litter Crew Supervisor spent 289 hours with the Crew spending 578 hours cleaning up 187 road miles and 13,690 pounds of litter. Total costs for supplies, vehicle and cell phone for the year were \$26,103.
    - For illegal dumpsites, the crew cleaned up 53,370 pounds of litter.
    - Volunteers spent 629 hours cleaning up 4,140 pounds of litter and 693 bags.
  - Transfer Station Tonnage – Year-End 2025.
    - Tonnage for year-end in Centralia was 83,003 tons. Morton finished the year with 9,644 tons and the combined year-end total was 92,647.
  - We went to Ritchie Bros. Auction and sold three of our trailers, an old loader, and three older yard-goats we had. We did well and will put six more trailers in the next auction and see how those go.
  - We are talking to GreenSheen about doing a paint recycling event in April and another one in the fall.
  - Department of Ecology has reached out, and we will be doing a tire recycling event sometime soon.
  - There will be a joint hearing on March 3, 2026, with the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) and the Disposal District to adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan.

VIII. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:** None.

IX. **NEXT MEETING:** April 8, 2026, from 1pm – 3pm. Location: 1411 S. Tower Ave., Centralia.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 1:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen Hirte*

Karen Hirte  
Lewis County Solid Waste Administrative Assistant Sr.

**Solid Waste Utility  
Community Litter Cleanup Program Summary  
For the Month of April 2026**

**Lewis County Litter Crew**

Supervisor Hours		52
Crew Hours		104
Road Miles		27
Weight (Pounds)		2,000
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	10
Total Disposal Fees	\$	193
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$	2,316
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$	20

**Illegal Dumpsites**

Supervisor Hours		45
Crew Hours		89
Dumpsites Cleaned		13
Weight (Pounds)		5,820
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	315
Total Disposal Fees	\$	1,169

**Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside**

Crew Hours		-
Road Miles		-
Weight (Pounds)		-
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	9,037

**Interchanges and Intersections**

Hours		69
Weight (Pounds)		385
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	1,624

**Volunteer Litter Clean-up**

Hours		62
Weight (Pounds)		500
Bags Collected		57

**Adopt-A-Road**

Hours		7
Road Miles		-
Bags Collected		6
Pounds of Litter Picked Up		120
Disposal Fees	\$	20

*Totals may not foot due to rounding.*

**COMMUNITY LITTER CLEANUP PROGRAM 2026**

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	YTD Totals
<b>Lewis County Litter Crew</b>													
Supervisor Hours Litter	11	24	31	52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	118
Crew Hours	21	48	62	104	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	235
Road Miles	7	17	16	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66
Road side disposal weight	720	980	1,100	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,800
Disposal Fees	\$ 114	\$ 79	\$ 100	\$ 193	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 486
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$ 1,279	\$ 2,172	\$ 1,774	\$ 2,316	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,541
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20
<b>Illegal Dumpsites</b>													
Supervisor Hours	65	31	69	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	210
Crew Hours	130	62	138	89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	419
Dumpsites Cleaned	14	7	17	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
Pounds	9,700	2,820	9,100	5,820	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,440
Disposal Fees	\$ 2,031	\$ 239	\$ 1,592	\$ 1,169	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,031
<b>Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside</b>													
Team Hours	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Road Miles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ 5,896	\$ 5,189	\$ 4,681	\$ 9,037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,803
<b>Interchanges and Intersections</b>													
Hours	-	130	69	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	268
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	502	455	385	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,342
Pounds of Recycling Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ 3,060	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,624	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,309
<b>Volunteer Litter Clean-up Work</b>													
Hours	18	41	36	62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	157
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	40	-	-	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	540
Bags Collected	42	56	76	57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	231
Disposal Fees	\$ 20	\$ 30	\$ 100	\$ 81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 231
<b>Adopt-A-Road</b>													
Hours	-	-	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Road Miles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bags Collected	-	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120
Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20

- Centralia Volunteers:** 13 volunteers spent 62 hours cleaning up 30 bags of litter.
- Chehalis Volunteers:** Eight volunteers cleaned up 15 bags of litter and one shopping cart.
- Lewis County Volunteers:** Gifford Pinchot Trash Force- 37 volunteers cleaned up 16 miles, 1/2 ton plus two dumpsters of litter and \$81 in fees.  
Two volunteers cleaned up 12 bags of litter.

**Totals may not foot due to rounding.**

**Note:**  
The invoice for January 2026 Interchanges and Intersections from City of Centralia did not arrive on time for the 02/17/2026 meeting.  
February 2026 Interchanges and Intersections from City of Centralia is January 2026 and February 2026 combined.  
April Contracted Litter Crew- Roadside includes an invoice from March 2026 that didn't arrive until 05/06/2026.

Illegal Dump Cleanup			
Road & Mile Post	Pounds	Other Fees	# of Sites
Pleasant Valley Rd. MP 2	360	\$ 50	1
Big Hanaford Rd. MP .5	560	\$ -	2
Pleasant Valley Rd. MP 1	760	\$ 130	1
Berry Rd. MP 1	150	\$ -	1
Bishop Rd. MP 2	550	\$ -	1
Larmon Rd. MP 2	420	\$ -	1
Ives Rd. MP 1	200	\$ -	1
Centralia Alpha Rd. MP 3	260	\$ 20	1
Larmon Rd. MP 1	1500	\$ 55	1
Meier Rd. MP .5	280	\$ -	1
Brown Rd W. MP 1.5	580	\$ 60	1
Dodge Rd. MP .5	200	\$ -	1
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>5820</b>	<b>\$ 315</b>	<b>13</b>

