

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

Regular Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, August 12, 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 June 10, 2026, meeting to be approved
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:** Two new members
- VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**
 - A. New Business:
 - Budget sub-committee
 - Tonnage and customer trends
 - 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:** October 14, 2026, 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 12, 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, June 10, 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 1:09 pm.

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

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

III. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:** A quorum was present with six 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:** Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board of the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), will advertise the vacancies through their office.

VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

A. **New Business:**

- Ritchie Bros Auction.
 - We started out with 21 trailers and have been taking them to Ritchie Bros Auction to sell. So far, we have sold 15 of the trailers with the remaining six trailers going to auction in July.
- Plan update.
 - The plan has passed its final reviews with Department of Ecology and has been adopted.

B. **Reports/Updates:**

- SWAC – Terry Harris – Chair – None.

- WSU Extension – Jason Adams.
 - The Repair Fair at the senior center was not well attended. There was an 83% repair rate for that fair but there were only 12 items brought in to repair. The Repair Fair at Chehalis Outfitters in May was more of a success. There were 77 items brought in and 66 of them were fixed, making it an 88% repair rate. There were almost 2.5 tons of paper shredded at the fair as well.
 - Working on a recycling presentation for the county.
- LeMay/Waste Connections – Ed Morlan, LeMay Enterprises, Inc.
 - Residential Commingle diverted 1,119.93 tons of recycling from the Lewis County waste stream in the first quarter of 2026. During the second quarter, so far, they have collected 718.21 tons.
- Department of Ecology – Christina Kullberg, Grants and Planning.
 - There will be a Waste Not Washington School Awards webinar held on July 23, 2026, from 10:00-11:13 am. The application process has changed, and the webinar will provide insights into these changes.
 - The Solid Waste Information Meeting (SWIM) is hosted by the Department of Ecology and operates as a broad information sharing network. The SWIM meetings are open to the public and the next meeting will be held on July 15, 2026.
 - The Mercury Lamp Recyclers Association (MLRA) will take over administration of the LightRecycle Washington program starting June 1, 2026.
- Lewis County Solid Waste – Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.
 - Community Litter Program Report – April.
 - The Lewis County Litter Crew Supervisor spent 52 hours with the crew spending 104 hours cleaning up 27 road miles and 2,000 pounds of litter. Total costs for supplies, vehicle and cell phone were \$2,316.
 - For illegal dumpsites, the supervisor spent 45 hours with the crew spending 89 hours cleaning 13 dumpsites. This resulted in 5,820 pounds of litter collected and \$1,169 in dump fees.
 - Contracted Litter Crew through Express totaled \$9,037. Intersections and Interchanges through City of Centralia was 69 hours spent cleaning 385 pounds of litter costing \$1,624.
 - Centralia reported 13 volunteers spending 62 hours cleaning up 30 bags of litter. Chehalis reported eight volunteers cleaning up 15 bags and one shopping card. Gifford Pinchot Trash Force reported 37 volunteers cleaning up 16 miles, ½ ton plus two dumpsters of litter, and \$81 in fees. Two other volunteers from Lewis County reported cleaning up 12 bags of litter.
 - Transfer Station Tonnage – April.
 - Tonnage for Centralia has been down most of the year apart from March where there were large projects cleaned up. Total tonnage for the year so far is 30,029.

VIII. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:**

- A. Larger (past) tonnage report.
- B. Budget sub-committee.

IX. **NEXT MEETING:** August 12, 2026, from 1pm – 3pm. Location: 1411 S. Tower Ave., Centralia.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 1:53 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 June 2026

Lewis County Litter Crew

Supervisor Hours		24
Crew Hours		48
Road Miles		13
Weight (Pounds)		800
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	20
Total Disposal Fees	\$	100
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$	2,674
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$	1,110

Illegal Dumpsites

Supervisor Hours		63
Crew Hours		125
Dumpsites Cleaned		16
Weight (Pounds)		6,980
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	920
Total Disposal Fees	\$	1,357

Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside

Crew Hours		-
Road Miles		-
Weight (Pounds)		-
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	1,460

Interchanges and Intersections

Hours		98
Weight (Pounds)		3,010
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	70
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	8,694

Volunteer Litter Clean-up

Hours		72
Weight (Pounds)		-
Bags Collected		65

Adopt-A-Road

Hours		-
Road Miles		-
Bags Collected		-
Pounds of Litter Picked Up		-
Disposal Fees	\$	-

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
Lewis County Litter Crew													
Supervisor Hours Litter	11	24	31	52	31	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	172
Crew Hours	21	48	62	104	61	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	344
Road Miles	7	17	16	27	14	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	93
Road side disposal weight	720	980	1,100	2,000	860	800	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,460
Disposal Fees	\$ 114	\$ 79	\$ 100	\$ 193	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 686
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$ 1,279	\$ 2,172	\$ 1,774	\$ 2,316	\$ 2,729	\$ 2,674	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,944
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ 1,110	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,130
Illegal Dumpsites													
Supervisor Hours	65	31	69	45	29	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	301
Crew Hours	130	62	138	89	57	125	-	-	-	-	-	-	601
Dumpsites Cleaned	14	7	17	13	8	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	75
Pounds	9,700	2,820	9,100	5,820	3,080	6,980	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,500
Disposal Fees	\$ 2,031	\$ 239	\$ 1,592	\$ 1,169	\$ 989	\$ 1,357	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,377
Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside													
Team Hours	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Road Miles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ 5,896	\$ 5,189	\$ 4,681	\$ 9,037	\$ 3,989	\$ 1,460	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,252
Interchanges and Intersections													
Hours	-	130	69	69	64	98	-	-	-	-	-	-	430
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	502	455	385	335	3,010	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,687
Pounds of Recycling Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ 3,060	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,507	\$ 8,694	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,509
Volunteer Litter Clean-up Work													
Hours	18	41	36	62	50	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	279
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	40	-	-	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	540
Bags Collected	42	56	76	57	64	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	360
Disposal Fees	\$ 20	\$ 30	\$ 100	\$ 81	\$ -	\$ 40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 271
Adopt-A-Road													
Hours	-	-	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Road Miles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bags Collected	-	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120
Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20

Centralia Volunteers: 18 volunteers spent 70 hours cleaning up 35 bags of litter.

Chehalis Volunteers: Chehalis Clean Team reported two volunteers cleaning up three bags of litter.

Lewis County Volunteers: Gifford Pinchot Trash Force- two volunteers cleaned up 12 bags of litter, three chairs and five buckets of human waste.
One volunteer cleaned up 13 bags of litter
One volunteer spent two hours picking up two bags of litter over 11 miles.

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.

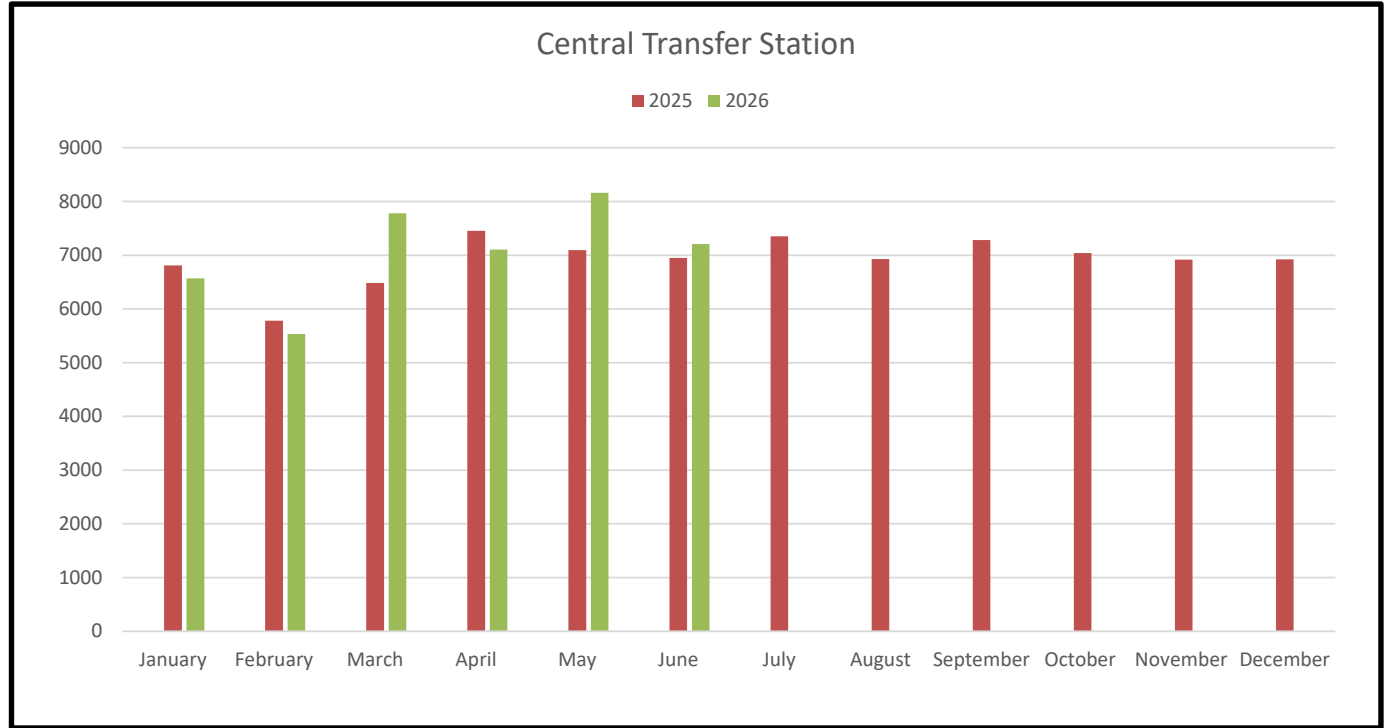
February 2026 Interchanges and Intersections from City of Centralia is January 2026 and February 2026 combined.

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
Big Hanaford Rd. MP 6	320	\$ 90	1
Jones Rd. MP 3	480	\$ 60	1
Toledo Salmon Crk. Rd. MP 4.5	880	\$ 50	1
Lincoln Creek Rd. MP 7	300	\$ -	1
Wells Rd. MP 1	500	\$ 80	1
Knowles Rd. MP 1.5	560	\$ -	1
Fred Plant Rd. MP .5	400	\$ 140	1
Big Hanaford Rd. MP 1	200	\$ 20	1
Centralia Alpha Rd. MP 2	760	\$ 200	1
Salzer Valley Rd. MP 2.5	680	\$ 80	1
N. Military Rd. MP 3	200	\$ 60	1
Johnson Rd. MP 2	320	\$ 40	1
Boistfort Rd. MP 1	440	\$ -	1
Hobson Rd. MP 1	240	\$ -	1
Centralia Alpha Rd. MP 4	400	\$ 80	1
Loop Rd. MP .5	300	\$ 20	1
TOTAL:	6980	\$ 920	16

LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE TONNAGE REPORT

Month	Central Transfer Station		
	2025	2026	Difference
January	6,810	6,569	(241)
February	5,781	5,534	(247)
March	6,482	7,779	1,297
April	7,452	7,107	(345)
May	7,093	8,158	1,065
June	6,948	7,205	257
July	7,352	-	
August	6,928	-	
September	7,280	-	
October	7,038	-	
November	6,918	-	
December	6,923	-	
Total Tonnage	83,003	42,352	



Month	East Lewis County		
	2025	2026	Difference
January	737	681	(56)
February	493	637	144
March	715	889	174
April	857	833	(24)
May	840	715	(125)
June	804	876	72
July	1,005	-	
August	1,045	-	
September	963	-	
October	843	-	
November	581	-	
December	760	-	
Total Tonnage	9,644	4,631	

2026 Total
7,250
6,171
8,668
7,940
8,873
8,081
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
46,982

2026 Estimated Tonnage: 93,500

Actual Tonnage/ Estimated Tonnage 50%

