

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

Regular Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 14, 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 August 12, 2026, meeting to be approved
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:** None
- VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**
 - A. New Business:
 - 2027 budget presentation
 - Tire recycle event
 - Paint recycle event
 - 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:** December 9, 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, October 14, 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, August 12, 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	EA	Rocky Lyon	LCSW Manager
Jason Adams	SWAC Vice-Chair	P-Zoom	Karen Hirte	LCSW Administrative Assistant
Max Vogt	Centralia Citizen	P-Zoom	Christina Kullberg	Department of Ecology
Ed Morlan	Waste Management Industry	P	Andy Oien	Centralia Public Works Director
Tom Rupert	Waste Management Industry	EA	Tim Mullin	Department of Ecology
Robert Spahr	Chehalis City Council	P		
Sam Schellenger	City of Mossyrock Council	UA		
David Antilla	Business Manager	P-Zoom		
Ray Chapman-Wilson	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 six of the nine members in attendance.

IV. **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** “Do we have a motion to approve the minutes?” “So moved.” Motion made by Robert Spahr and seconded by Ed Morlan.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

VI. **SWAC MEMBERS:** RCW 70A.205.110 requires a minimum of nine members. Two new members have joined to meet the required membership numbers. Ray Chapman-Wilson, City of Centralia Councilman, and David Antilla, business manager/citizen, of Ethel.

VII. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

A. **New Business:**

- Budget sub-committee.
 - Each year, during budget season, we put together a budget sub-committee for the SWAC to weigh in on the next year’s budget. Bob Spahr will be an alternate. Jason Adams will serve on the committee. We will reach out to Terry Harris and Tom Rupert to ask them to serve on the committee as well.
- Tonnage and customer trends.
 - It was requested at the last meeting that we present a tonnage report that shows more than the two years we generally show at meetings. Kristen Buckman submitted a 15-year report showing the tonnage trends and customer count trends. Discounting Covid years of 2021 and 2022, the tonnage has increased steadily by around two percent per year. Aside from the Covid years, the customer count has remained steady.

B. Reports/Updates:

- SWAC – Terry Harris – Chair – None.

- WSU Extension – Jason Adams.
 - The Master Recycler Composters had their second annual rummage and tool sale.
 - The first Upcycle Art Contest had 11 entries. This was a contest where you can take random items and turn it into art.
 - There will be a Repair and Sustainability Fair on October 10, 2026

- LeMay/Waste Connections – Ed Morlan, LeMay Enterprises, Inc.
 - Residential Commingled diverted 1,102.64 tons from the waste stream for the second quarter. OCC route trucks diverted 299.42 tons, and the OCC roll-off trucks diverted 285.55 tons. So far in 2026, 4,000.54 total tons have been diverted.

- Department of Ecology – Christina Kullberg, Grants and Planning.
 - Ecology is hosting a public rulemaking meeting on August 18, 2026, for chapter 173-316 WAC.
 - The national Food Waste Prevention Week is September 28-October 4, 2026.
 - The Waste Not Washington School Awards applications are being accepted now through October 31, 2026.
 - There is a new Climate Smart Farm Equipment Grant available which helps farmers purchase equipment that reduces agricultural greenhouse gas emissions while improving soil health, air and water quality, and operational resilience. Applications will be open September 4-October 19, 2026.
 - On July 1, 2026, Ecology received a proposed battery stewardship plan from the Battery Network. Ecology invites the public to review and comment on the proposed plan from July 23-August 24, 2026.
 - Christina introduced Tim Mullin. He is new to the Department of Ecology's SW region.

- Lewis County Solid Waste – Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.
 - Community Litter Program Report – June.
 - The Lewis County Litter Crew Supervisor spent 24 hours with the crew spending 48 hours cleaning up 13 road miles.
 - There were 16 illegal dumpsites, which produced just under 7,000 pounds of litter.
 - Intersections and Interchanges through City of Centralia and Cabbros Cleaning Service cleaned up 3,010 pounds of litter and total costs were \$8,694.
 - Jason and Melanie are working on creating an ad in the newspaper to recognize the volunteers that have spent their time cleaning up litter.
 - Transfer Station Tonnage – June.
 - The month of June showed 257 more tons in Centralia and 72 more tons in Morton compared to last year's tonnage. Total tonnage for the year so far is 46,982 tons.
 - We are working on the budget. We will be purchasing new equipment in 2027. There is a tire recycling event and a Paint Care recycling event in September for Lewis County residents only.

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

IX. **NEXT MEETING:** October 14, 2026, from 1pm – 3pm. Location: 1411 S. Tower Ave., Centralia.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 2:01 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 August 2026

Lewis County Litter Crew

Supervisor Hours		36
Crew Hours		72
Road Miles		23
Weight (Pounds)		1,080
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Disposal Fees	\$	122
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$	2,492
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$	-

Illegal Dumpsites

Supervisor Hours		57
Crew Hours		113
Dumpsites Cleaned		16
Weight (Pounds)		6,660
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	490
Total Disposal Fees	\$	922

Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside

Crew Hours		64
Road Miles		-
Weight (Pounds)		2,720
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	21,710

Interchanges and Intersections

Hours		69
Weight (Pounds)		163
Other Item Fees (TV, Tires and Appliances)	\$	-
Total Labor and Disposal Fees	\$	1,624

Volunteer Litter Clean-up

Hours		53
Weight (Pounds)		-
Bags Collected		87

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	12	36	-	-	-	-	220
Crew Hours	21	48	62	104	61	48	24	72	-	-	-	-	440
Road Miles	7	17	16	27	14	13	8	23	-	-	-	-	124
Road side disposal weight	720	980	1,100	2,000	860	800	260	1,080	-	-	-	-	7,800
Disposal Fees	\$ 114	\$ 79	\$ 100	\$ 193	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 40	\$ 122	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 848
Supplies, Vehicle, Cell Phone	\$ 1,279	\$ 2,172	\$ 1,774	\$ 2,316	\$ 2,729	\$ 2,674	\$ 2,188	\$ 2,492	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,625
Public Works Roads Clean-Up	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ 1,110	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,150
Illegal Dumpsites													
Supervisor Hours	65	31	69	45	29	63	42	57	-	-	-	-	399
Crew Hours	130	62	138	89	57	125	84	113	-	-	-	-	798
Dumpsites Cleaned	14	7	17	13	8	16	11	16	-	-	-	-	102
Pounds	9,700	2,820	9,100	5,820	3,080	6,980	3,940	6,660	-	-	-	-	48,100
Disposal Fees	\$ 2,031	\$ 239	\$ 1,592	\$ 1,169	\$ 989	\$ 1,357	\$ 568	\$ 922	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,867
Lewis County Contracted Litter Crew: Roadside													
Team Hours	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	-	-	-	-	64
Road Miles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,720	-	-	-	-	2,720
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ 5,896	\$ 5,189	\$ 4,681	\$ 9,037	\$ 3,989	\$ 1,460	\$ 7,122	\$ 21,710	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,084
Interchanges and Intersections													
Hours	-	130	69	69	64	98	149	69	-	-	-	-	648
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	-	502	455	385	335	3,010	4,669	163	-	-	-	-	9,519
Pounds of Recycling Picked Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labor and Disposal Fees	\$ -	\$ 3,060	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,507	\$ 8,694	\$ 1,922	\$ 1,624	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,055
Volunteer Litter Clean-up Work													
Hours	18	41	36	62	50	72	109	53	-	-	-	-	441
Pounds of Litter Picked Up	40	-	-	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	540
Bags Collected	42	56	76	57	64	65	52	87	-	-	-	-	499
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:	16 volunteers spent 37 hours cleaning up 46 bags of litter. One volunteer spent five hours cleaning up five bags of litter.
Chehalis Volunteers:	Chehalis Clean Team reported five volunteers cleaning up three bags of litter. One volunteer spent 5.25 hours cleaning eight miles and picking up three bags of litter.
Lewis County Volunteers:	Gifford Pinchot Trash Force- eight volunteers cleaned up 26 bags of litter, and one volunteer spent three hours cleaning up three bags. One volunteer spent three hours cleaning up one bag of litter.

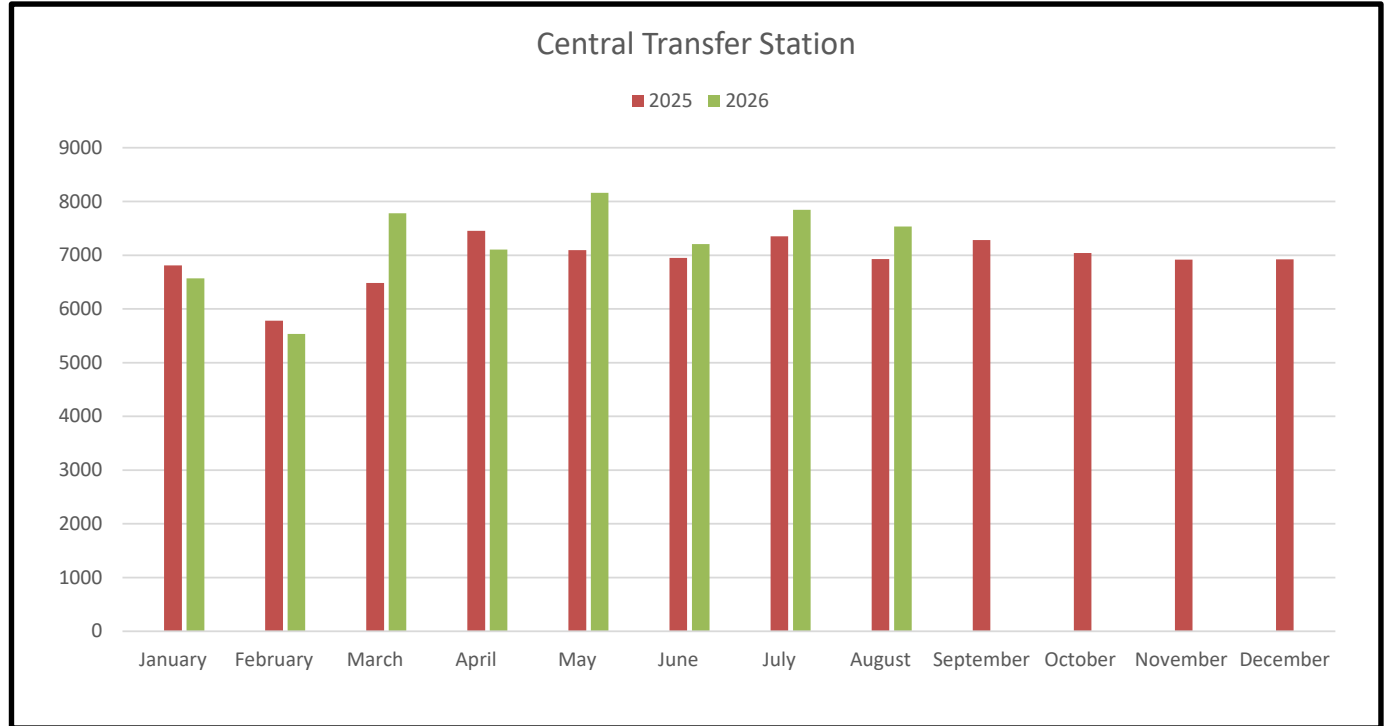
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Note:
The invoice for January 2026 Interchanges and Intersections from City of Centralia did not arrive on time for the 02/17/2026 meeting.
February 2026 Interchanges and Intersections from City of Centralia is January 2026 and February 2026 combined.
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
Larmon Rd. MP 2	360	\$ 30	1
Centralia Alpha Rd. MP 1.5	200	\$ -	1
Salzer Valley Rd. MP 3	300	\$ 70	1
Hobson Rd. MP 1	260	\$ -	1
North Fork Rd. MP 4	320	\$ -	1
Gish Rd. MP 3.5	160	\$ -	1
Knowles Rd. MP 2	280	\$ 10	1
Centralia Alpha Rd. MP 10.5	380	\$ 20	1
Park Rd. MP 1.5	1000	\$ 80	2
Shorey Rd. MP .5	980	\$ -	1
Shorey Rd. MP .5	940	\$ -	1
Conrad Rd. MP 1	520	\$ 60	1
Rosebrook Rd. MP .5	280	\$ -	1
Teitzel Rd. MP 2.5	200	\$ 70	1
Coal Creek Rd. MP 4.5	480	\$ 150	1
TOTAL:	6660	\$ 490	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	7,842	490
August	6,928	7,532	604
September	7,280	-	
October	7,038	-	
November	6,918	-	
December	6,923	-	
Total Tonnage	83,003	57,726	



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	1,022	17
August	1,045	954	(91)
September	963	-	
October	843	-	
November	581	-	
December	760	-	
Total Tonnage	9,644	6,607	

2026 Total
7,250
6,171
8,668
7,940
8,873
8,081
8,864
8,487
-
-
-
-
-
64,333

2026
Estimated
Tonnage:
93,500

Actual
Tonnage/
Estimated
Tonnage
69%

