



Materials Management Planning Newsletter

Are you a business?



Opening available for
representative of a business on
Emmet County Materials
Management Planning
Committee

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Business Recycling Survey 2025

Since 2012, Emmet County Recycling has collected recycling data from local businesses to measure materials recycled **outside our system**—via corporate back-hauls, internal programs, third-party haulers, or mail in options.

These numbers matter: One local business reported recycling 110,000+ pounds in a single year!

We invite you to share your 2024 recycling and diversion data, whether you recycle with us or another service. These numbers will help to calculate the total landfill diversion rate for Emmet County.

Your information is kept confidential and secure.
Our goal: complete data collection by **December 1**.

Example materials for survey:

- Paper shredding services
- Ink/toner [in store or mail in]
- Cardboard dumpster
- Batteries [in store]
- Electronics
- Pallets
- Food
- Cooking oil [grease bin]
- Scrap metal
- Bottle deposit returns



Scan QR code above for
business recycling survey

Residential Recycling Survey 2025

Michigan recently passed new recycling laws that require all 83 counties to update their Materials Management Plans (MMP). One of the key goals is to increase the state's recycling rate from 25% to 30% by 2029.

Emmet County has consistently outperformed the statewide average, and with your help, we can continue to lead the way. Your input will be used to shape the future of Emmet County's recycling programs.

Encourage your residents to fill out the survey by December 31, 2025.

Surveys are available online at the QR code or visiting
emmetrecycling.org/about-us/materials-management-planning



Hard copies are available by request.





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2025 MMP Meetings

Monday, December 8

Eppler Road EMS Station

1201 Eppler Rd, Petoskey

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

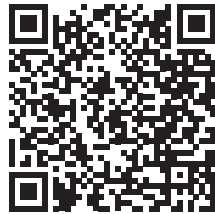
2026 MMP Meetings

Proposed meeting dates are slated for the first
Tuesday of the month 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

All meetings are open to the public

MMP News & Updates

- Meeting schedule
- Meeting agendas
- Meeting minutes
- Quarterly newsletters



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Sample Recycling Goals:

- Increase commercial cardboard recycling by expanding convenient drop off and collection strategies
- Extend multifamily recycling services in existing curbside communities
- Develop ordinance or update planning & zoning requirements for new site developments to include space for multifamily recycling
- Expand residential curbside recycling service across the county
- Establish three additional drop off sites across the county
- Upgrade processing facilities to meet the increase in material volumes and material types based on the new goals

Meet Your Committee Members

Denny Keiser, Chair

Elected Official of a Township - Bear Creek

Doug Fuller, Vice Chair

Environmental Group - Audubon Society

Jayna Steffel

MRF Representative - Emmet County DPW

Lindsey Walker

Elected City Official - Petoskey

Don Mapes

Elected County Official - Board of Commissioners

Allen Elya III

Hauler - WM

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Representative of a Business



Caroline Moellering

Waste Diversion, Reuse or Reduction Facility Operator
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Stephanie Marchbanks

Regional Planning Agency - Networks Northwest

Kevin Donner

Compost Operator - Mshko'Ode Farm

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Designated Planning Agency - Emmet County