

PROPOSED GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION RATES COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 8 (NORTH FAIR OAKS)

Effective February 1, 2020

Table 1. Garbage and Recyclables Curbside Collection Rates*
(1 - 4 residential dwelling units per parcel***)

| Quantity | Size of the Container | Frequency of Pick-Up | Current Rate (\$/month) | Proposed Rate ** (\$/month) |
|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2 | 32 gallon cart | 1 x per week | \$33.40 | \$36.07 |
| 1 | 64 gallon cart | 1 x per week | \$33.40 | \$36.07 |

Customers that are provided with a level of service greater than the minimum level of service shown above for garbage services shall be charged the rates shown in Table 2 for their specific level of service.

* The rates in Table 1 include collection of all three curbside services: garbage cart(s), one (1) - 64 gallon recycling cart, and one (1) - 96 gallon compost cart. Additional residential recycling or compost carts will be subject to the service fees.

** Residential Carts that are not located with 5 feet of the road right of way will incur additional service charges by Recology San Mateo County (RSMC) based upon the distance of the cart to the right of way in the road.

***Minimum Level of Service Rates for 1- 4 residential dwelling units is billed on the property tax bill.

**Table 2. Cart/Bin Collection Rates
for Mixed Residential and Multi-family Dwellings Over Four Units
(Regularly Scheduled Weekly Service)**

| Quantity | Size of the Container | Frequency of Pick-Up | Current Rate (\$/month) | Proposed Rate*** (\$/month) |
|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 32 gallon cart | 1 x per week | \$33.40 | \$36.07 |
| 1 | 64 gallon cart | 1 x per week | \$61.84 | \$61.84 |
| 1 | 96 gallon cart | 1 x per week | \$84.14 | \$84.14 |

| Quantity | Size of the Container | Frequency of Pick-Up | Current Rate (\$/month) | Proposed Rate*** (\$/month) |
|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 2 yard bin | 1 x per week | \$322.21 | \$322.21 |
| 1 | 3 yard bin | 1 x per week | \$483.32 | \$483.32 |
| 1 | 4 yard bin | 1 x per week | \$644.43 | \$644.43 |
| 1 | 6 yard bin | 1 x per week | \$966.64 | \$966.64 |
| 1 | 8 yard bin | 1 x per week | \$1,288.84 | \$1,288.84 |
| 1 | 9 yard bin or box | 1 x per week | \$1,449.95 | \$1,449.95 |
| 1 | 15 yard bin or box | 1 x per week | \$2,416.58 | \$2,416.58 |
| 1 | 20 yard bin or box | 1 x per week | \$3,222.11 | \$3,222.11 |
| 1 | 30 yard bin or box | 1 x per week | \$4,833.16 | \$4,833.16 |
| 1 | 40 yard bin or box | 1 x per week | \$6,444.21 | \$6,444.21 |

* Commercial (5 or more residential dwellings or commercial), RSMC curbside commercial collection services is within 51 feet of the right of way of the road. Bins or Carts located 51 feet or more from the road right of way will incur additional service charges by RSMC based on the distance of servicing the Carts or Bins to the right of way.

** Residential (1- 4 residential dwellings), bins or carts that are not located with 5 feet of the right of way of the road will incur additional service charges by Recology San Mateo County (RSMC) based upon the distance of the bin or cart to the right of way.

For additional rate information please visit www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/

SOLID WASTE RESOURCES FOR NORTH FAIR OAKS CUSTOMERS

Collection and processing service contacts and additional contact information for other services in your area include:

**RECOLOGY SAN MATEO COUNTY
GARBAGE AND RECYCLING
COLLECTION**
www.recology.com/recology-san-mateo-county/
(650) 595-3900

**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY**
For more information on rates visit:
www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/ or call our hotline at
1-888-442-2666.

**SBWMA (JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY)
FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING**
www.rethinkwaste.org
(650) 802-3500

SHERIFFS OFFICE - NON EMERGENCIES
www.smchealth.org/hhw or call (650) 363-4718

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
TOXICS AND HAZARDOUS WASTE**
(650) 372-6200

**PLANNING AND BUILDING
COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE SECTION**
(650) 363-4825 or email: codecomplaint@smcgov.org

ILLEGAL DUMPING
To report illegal dumping please download the app (See Click Fix) or use the online system for reporting:
www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/illegal-dumping-litter

CONTACT US
For additional information regarding the proposed rates, visit: www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction/curbside-collection/, or contact the **Office of Sustainability** at 1-(888) 442-2666, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



**OFFICE OF
SUSTAINABILITY**
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

**NOTICE OF
PROPOSED
INCREASE IN
GARBAGE AND
RECYCLABLES
COLLECTION
SERVICE RATES**
County Service Area No. 8
(North Fair Oaks area)
effective February 1, 2020

This notice is to advise property owners of the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors' (Board) proceedings to set rates for garbage and recyclables collection services in County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area). Adoption of the rates will result in property related charges, and this notice is, therefore, given in accordance with Proposition 218 and Article XIID of the California Constitution.

**Please take a survey regarding your
garbage and recycling services**
www.surveymonkey.com/r/36V5NQB

GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES COLLECTION SERVICE IN NORTH FAIR OAKS

Garbage and recyclables collection services to properties in County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area) are provided through a Franchise Agreement between the County of San Mateo and Recology San Mateo County (Recology). The County generates the revenue to pay the collection service provider for the minimum level of service required by the County Ordinance Codes by charging each affected parcel (any parcel containing a dwelling unit) a minimum charge for garbage and recyclables collection on their property tax bill. Commercial parcels and any additional services above the minimum charge on the property tax bill are billed directly by Recology. The County Ordinance Code ("Title 4, Sanitation and Health, Chapter 4.04 Garbage Collection and Disposal") defines the Minimum Levels of Service for County Service Area No. 8 parcels as:

- ▶ **Residential parcels** (one to four dwelling units): one (1)-64 gallon cart or two (2)-32 gallon carts per dwelling unit.
- ▶ **Apartment House parcels** (more than four dwelling units): one (1)-32 gallon cart per dwelling unit.
- ▶ **Mixed Residential/Commercial and Industrial parcels:** one (1)-32 gallon cart per residential dwelling unit and one (1)-32 gallon cart per business.
- ▶ **Commercial parcels:** one (1)-32 gallon cart per business.

SOUTH BAYSIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

South Bayside Waste Management Authority (SBWMA), also known as Rethinkwaste.org, is comprised of 12 member agencies: Atherton, Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, the City of San Mateo, the County of San Mateo, and the West Bay Sanitary District. Each member agency has its own franchise agreement with Recology for garbage and recycling collection services within their jurisdictions. The SBWMA provides coordinated waste management related staff services to member agencies, and manages the operations of the Shoreway Environmental Center in San Carlos.

PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

The current Recology franchise agreement allows for specific adjustments in compensation. Recology submits a contractor's compensation application to the SBWMA for review. The 2020 application is based on services provided in 2019, the reconciliation of the revenue received for 2016-2018, and the projected revenue/costs for providing service in 2020 and 2021 and all of this data compiled into a report. You can view the report at rethinkwaste.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/092619-SBWMA-BOD-packet-1.pdf

The SBWMA reviewed the Recology compensation application, utilizing information from Recology, including data from South Bay Recycling (Shoreway Environmental Center operator (SBR). The SBWMA 2020 Rate Report also included projected future costs for the new contracts (collection and disposal). Recology is projected to have a marked increase in compensation from 2020 to 2021 due to the new contract, significant capital investments, and major program expenditures. In addition, SBR will have a minor increase for the calendar year and their agreement was extended by the SBWMA in 2019 through 2023.

The Office of Sustainability approach to rate setting is more conservative and conducted an analysis of the costs and rates over the next five years based on the SBWMA 2020 Rate Report, the SBWMA projections of the anticipated 2021 costs, the indices used for cost adjustments (CPI, fuel, etc.), and the current revenue collected from commercial and residential customer accounts. Based on this analysis, and now that the SBWMA has calculated the final amended new contract increases, the Office of Sustainability is recommending an 8.0% rate increase for residential dwellings carts (20-, 32, and 64-gallon sizes) and mixed-use/commercial 32-gallon cart sizes to better align rates to the cost of providing the services. All other solid waste and recycling rates for carts and bins for the area would remain at the same level as adopted by the Board in 2019.

For a residential parcel (one to four units) the codes state the minimum level of service is two-32-gallon carts or one-64-gallon cart. The current rate for two 32-gallon garbage carts or one 64-gallon garbage cart is \$33.40, and the proposed rate is \$36.07 per month. This represents an increase of \$2.67 per month for residential dwelling parcels. For mixed-use parcels (four units and above), the proposed rate for one 32-gallon cart is \$36.07 per month per unit. This represents an increase of \$2.67 per month per unit.

The collection services charges based on the proposed rates will appear on the property owner's tax bill for FY 2020-21 for all parcels with dwelling units, pursuant to County Ordinance Codes 4.04.200 and 4.04.220, and any additional elective services will be billed directly by Recology. Commercial parcels without dwelling units will continue to be billed by Recology for all services. Additionally, any Unscheduled Services are requested by the customer and will continue to be billed directly to the customer by Recology.

The franchise agreement also includes Recology's charges for Unscheduled Services, the Unscheduled Services are generally those additional services that are specifically requested and paid for by the ratepayer, in addition to the basic collection service charges. The franchise agreement allowed for a CPI increase to the Unscheduled Services Charges. The Unscheduled Services Charges are effective on January 1, 2020.

WHAT DO THE PROPOSED GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES RATES PAY FOR?



- ▶ **Residential weekly curbside collection for garbage, recycling and organics**
- ▶ **Commercial weekly collection for garbage and recycling**
- ▶ **Used motor oil and oil filter collection**
- ▶ **Two free-"On-Call" bulky item pick-ups**
This service is a scheduled service (Feb-Dec).
- ▶ **Curbside cell phone and battery collection**
Reminder: Batteries should not be placed inside your cart. Place on top of black cart into a clear plastic bag.
- ▶ **Holiday Tree recycling during the month of January**
- ▶ **Free Mattress recycling** at Shoreway for residents
- ▶ **Free Electronics and small appliance recycling** at Shoreway
- ▶ **Once-per-year free confidential document shredding event**
- ▶ **Energy-efficient, cleaner emission garbage and recycling collection trucks**
- ▶ **Operation of the Shoreway Environmental Center** for waste and recycling

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Supervisors has scheduled a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers, located in the Hall of Justice and Records, 400 County Center, Redwood City, California**, to consider adopting a resolution for the proposed garbage and recyclables collection service rates for County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area). The proposed rates are listed in this notice and on the website for the Board's Agenda for their meeting: <https://sanmateocounty.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx>

The Public Hearing will be open to the public and anyone interested may appear and be heard on this matter or submit a written statement. At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, on February 11, 2020, the Board will consider adopting the resolution setting garbage and recyclables collection service rates for County Service Area No. 8.

Any property owner in County Service Area No. 8 may file a written protest against the proposed rate increases. Although the Board will consider all input, State law provides that only written protests from property owners may be counted to determine whether a majority protest to the proposed increase exists. The Clerk of the Board must receive a written protest not later than the closing of the Public Hearing specified above to be counted. If a majority protest exists, the Board cannot impose the increased rates. If, at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, a majority protest of property owners does not exist, the Board will consider adoption of the proposed rates. **The written protest must include the property owner's name, property service address, assessor's parcel number (tax assessors parcel number), and the property owner's signature.** Written protests may be hand delivered or mailed to the Clerk of the Board at 400 County Center, Redwood City, California 94063. No more than one protest per parcel may be submitted.

