

Dear Coconut Creek resident:

Countywide waste disposal in Broward continues to change and I want to share with you how Waste Management is adapting to these latest changes, as well as offer factual information about what these changes mean to Monarch Hill Landfill.

For more than 20 years, the majority of the waste Broward County produced was disposed of in a program created by a regional agreement between the cities and the Resource Recovery Board, a quasi-governmental agency. During that time, Waste Management and its Wheelabrator Technologies, Inc. subsidiary were responsible for processing all of the cities' waste. In July 2013, that agreement expired and municipalities began to oversee their own waste disposal needs.

Today, Broward cities have different disposal options and now 37% of Broward County waste is being trucked out of Broward by Waste Management's varied competitors. Due to the large redirection of waste by competitors and ever increasing recycling diversion, there is simply not enough waste staying here to efficiently, and in an environmentally sound manner, operate both waste-to-energy facilities in Broward County which Wheelabrator has run up until now.

This December, the announced sale of the Wheelabrator subsidiary to Energy Capital Partners was finalized which included the South Broward waste-to-energy plant located on State Road 7 in Davie, along with 16 other plants throughout the United States and Europe. Waste Management retained the North Broward waste-to-energy facility located on Wiles Road just west of Powerline Road.

In the coming weeks, the Broward County Commission will consider a Term Sheet updating our disposal agreement with the County whereby the County will receive favorable benefits in addition to conversion of the North Broward facility to operate as a transfer station to deliver all incoming waste to the South Plant and the closure of North Broward as a waste-to-energy facility.

What does this mean for Monarch Hill Landfill? Nothing.

ALL waste currently going to the North Plant will be transferred to the South Broward facility.

We strive daily to be a good neighbor and are in compliance with our 2010 Agreement with the City of Coconut Creek to "seek to divert all processable waste that practically can be removed from the existing landfill waste disposal process."

Monarch Hill Landfill opened in 1965 and managing a landfill in an urban setting continues to be a daily challenge. As always, we look forward to a constructive and cooperative dialogue with you and the leadership of Coconut Creek.

Dawn McCormick
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