

Proposed Garbage and Recyclables Collection Rates in North Fair Oaks

Effective January 1, 2013

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	\$24.70	\$26.21**
1	64 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$24.70	\$26.21**

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

* The rates in Table 1 are based upon the size of the solid waste cart and include collection for all three services – Solid Waste, Recycling and Compost. Residential carts that are not located within 5 feet of the road right of way will incur additional service charges by Recology based upon the distance of the cart to the road right of way.

**Minimum Level of Service Rates for 1- 4 residential dwellings per parcels that are billed on the property tax bill.

Table 2. Cart and Bin Garbage Collection Rates for Mixed Residential and Commercial

(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	\$24.70	\$26.21
1	64 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$49.40	\$52.42
1	96 gallon cart	1 x per week	\$74.10	\$78.63
1	1 yard bin	1 x per week	\$147.74	\$151.58
1	2 yard bin	1 x per week	\$295.47	\$303.16
1	3 yard bin	1 x per week	\$443.22	\$454.74
1	4 yard bin	1 x per week	\$590.96	\$606.32
1	6 yard bin	1 x per week	\$886.44	\$909.49
1	8 yard bin	1 x per week	\$1,181.92	\$1,212.64
1	9 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$1,329.66	\$1,364.22
1	15 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$2,216.10	\$2,273.70
1	20 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$2,954.80	\$3,031.60
1	30 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$4,432.20	\$4,547.40
1	40 yard bin or box	1 x per week	\$5,909.60	\$6,063.20

* Commercial Accounts (5 or more residential dwellings or commercial properties) – Recology curbside customers collection services is within 51 feet of the road right of way. Bins or carts located 51 feet or more from the road right of way will incur additional service charges by Recology for the additional distance to service the bins or carts.

* Residential Accounts (1- 4 residential dwellings) – Bins or carts that are not located within 5 feet of the right of way of the road will incur additional service charges by Recology based upon the distance of the bins or carts to the road right of way.

For additional Commercial garbage services, multiple collections per week, and unscheduled service fees, please visit the County RecycleWorks website for all of the rates schedules at: www.recycleworks.org/sbwma_north_fair_oaks.html

Resources For the 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.RecologySanMateoCounty.com
(650) 595-3900

County of San Mateo, Department of Public Works – RecycleWorks Garbage and Recycling Management

www.RecycleWorks.org
1-(888) 442-2666

SBWMA Garbage and Recycling Joint Powers Authority

www.rethinkwaste.org
(650) 802-3500

Sheriffs Office – Non Emergencies, Illegal Dumping

(650) 363-4911

Environmental Health – Toxics and Hazardous Waste

(650) 372-6200

Building and Planning – County Code Compliance Enforcement

(650) 363-4825

At Your Door HHW Collection for Residential Customers

800-HHW-PKUP (800-449-7587)
or email: atyourdoor@wm.com

For additional information regarding the proposed rates, the collection services to be provided, previous Board action, and unscheduled or customer requested services visit: www.RecycleWorks.org or contact the Department of Public Works at (650) 363-4100, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Notice of Proposed Increase in Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service Rates County Service Area No. 8 (North Fair Oaks area) effective January 1, 2013

This notice is to advise property owners of the Board of Supervisors' (Board) proceedings to set rates for garbage and recyclables collection services in North Fair Oaks. 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.

Garbage and Recyclables Collection Service in North Fair Oaks

Garbage and recyclables collection services to properties in North Fair Oaks 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 North Fair Oaks 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

The joint powers authority known as the 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, which include but are not limited to: consolidated rate reviews for garbage and recyclables collection service, rate recommendations for each member agency, coordination of recycling program services, outreach activities, and managing the operations of the Shoreway Environmental Center in San Carlos.

Proposed Rate Increase

The SBWMA compiled data from Recology's compensation application for 2013, South Bayside Recycling (operator of the Shoreway Environmental Center in San Carlos) operating costs for 2013, member agency fees, and other associated costs into a consolidated rate report (SBWMA Rate Report). The SBWMA Rate Report can be viewed at: http://www.recycleworks.org/sbwma_unincorporated_franchised_areas.html under the heading of SBWMA Documentation: Contractors Compensation and Rate Setting Process for Upcoming Rate Years Beginning with 2013, SBWMA Final Report on Review of the 2013 Recology San Mateo County Compensation Application.

The SBWMA Rate Report recommends the rate increases required for each member agency's jurisdiction to adequately support the cost to provide garbage and recyclables collection and processing services for 2013. The County has conducted a detailed analysis of the customer base, existing and anticipated service levels, billing frequencies, and revenue requirements for North Fair Oaks and is recommending a 2.6% rate increase for customers receiving commercial bin or box services and a 6.1% rate increase for customers receiving cart services. Residential dwelling customers who subscribe to services above the minimum level of service on the property tax bill will be subject to the rates in Table 2 for the additional services. The proposed rate for Residential parcels for two 32-gallon carts or a 64-gallon garbage cart is \$26.21 per month. This represents an increase of \$1.51 per month from the rates previously approved by your Board.

The SBWMA Rate Report noted that rate increases were primarily due to the following: a 2012 estimated revenue shortfall, performance incentive payments for 2011 for meeting or exceeding waste diversion goals, customer service level adjustments, reallocation of costs for agency facility services (i.e. public cans, venues, and events), adjustments in disposal and processing costs at the Shoreway Facility, Consumer Price Index adjustments for the curbside Household Hazardous Waste collection program, adjustments to the franchise fees based upon the revenue projections, and adjustments to the revenue projections for the 2011 rate year based upon actual revenue received.

Based upon the County's analysis, the most significant factors contributing to the proposed rate increase is due to the reallocation of costs associated with agency facility accounts and customer accounts in surrounding jurisdictions incorrectly allocated to North Fair Oaks. These two factors increased costs and decreased revenue in North Fair Oaks and were the most notable contributions to the rate adjustments.

What Do The Proposed Garbage and Recyclables Rates Pay For?



- ▶ Residential weekly curbside collection for garbage, recycling and organics (compost)
- ▶ Used motor oil and oil filter collection
- ▶ "On call" bulky waste collection for residential customers (two times per calendar year)
- ▶ Electronic waste collection on your bulky waste collection day
- ▶ Cell phone and battery collection
- ▶ Christmas Tree recycling collection
- ▶ Energy-efficient, cleaner emission garbage and recycling collection trucks
- ▶ Once-per-year free confidential document shredding event
- ▶ Door to Door Household Hazardous Waste Pickup
- ▶ Door to Door Safe Needle Disposal program
- ▶ Door to Door Electronics pick-up services
- ▶ Landfill fees for disposal of garbage and costs associated with handling recyclable and organic materials.

Public Hearing

The Board has scheduled a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors 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 North Fair Oaks. The proposed rates are listed in this notice and on the website for the Board of Supervisor's Agenda for their meeting of January 8, 2013 at: www.smcgov.org/bos.

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, the Board will consider adopting the resolution setting garbage and recyclables collection service rates for North Fair Oaks.

Any property owner in North Fair Oaks 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 of Supervisors 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 resolution. The written protest must include the property owner's name, property service address, assessor's parcel number (first line of the address label on the envelope), 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.

