



Recommendation: Adopt 2024-2044 Dakota County Solid Waste Management Plan

Dakota County Physical Development Committee of the
Whole

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Today's Presentation



1. Timeline
2. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) comments
and approval
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Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Comments

- MPCA approved Dakota County's draft plan on August 22, 2025
 - No modifications requested
 - Admiration of planning process
 - Appreciation for plan elements:
 - Collaboration with MN Department of Health to educate licensed food establishments about food rescue opportunities
 - Make curbside organics available for residential customers in suburban cities.
 - Host a building material collection event and provide deconstruction training
 - Continue to support states efforts to maximize existing resource recovery capacity

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Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Approval



- Findings of Fact
 - Authority, procedure, requirements, and background
 - Plan content, land disposal abatement, and oversight
 - County Board as advisory committee
- Conclusions of Law and Order
 - Meets MN Stat. §§ 473 and 115A requirements
 - Implements MPCA's Metropolitan Solid Waste Policy Plan (Policy Plan) as required in MN Stat. § 473.803

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Next Steps



September 23

County Board adopts plan

October 2025-2030

Dakota County implements plan

- Maintain continuing strategies
- Implement new strategies
- Engage stakeholders on implementation, particularly for regulatory strategies
- Explore external funding

Next plan revision anticipated in 2030

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Board Action Requested

The Dakota County Board of Commissioners adopt the
2024-2044 Dakota County
Solid Waste Management Plan