

Boston Mountain Solid Waste

In 1991 the Arkansas state legislature passed Act 752, creating solid waste management districts to address the growing need for solid waste planning and development.

Boston Mountain Solid Waste District is primarily responsible for the administration of solid waste management issues within Madison and Washington counties.

The Boston Mountain Solid Waste District is governed by a board of directors comprised of representatives from the **10** member governments. District board meetings are held quarterly on the third Thursday in February, May, August and November.

Integrated Waste Management

In 1992, the District Board of Directors unanimously adopted a policy focusing on the Integrated Waste Management (IWM) philosophy. IWM is a system that uses a variety of complimentary management options to safely and efficiently manage solid waste. The IWM system focuses on the following hierarchy:



The District makes every effort to reduce, reuse or recycle materials collected in the special waste programs.

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What we doing about Integrated Waste Management (IWM)?

Planning

The Boston Mountain Solid Waste District has developed a five-year solid waste plan which calls for increasing emphasis on source reduction, improving the recycling infrastructure, and the development of adequate transfer station capacity to truck our remaining waste to both local and regional disposal facilities.

Programs

The District has programs in place to handle special wastes such as household hazardous waste, electronics, tires, and bulky waste like sofas and refrigerators.

Technical Assistance

The District provides one-on-one assistance and workshops for local governments, businesses, individuals and industries interested in incorporating recycling and source reduction efforts into their operations.

Education

The District provides programs and educational materials to adults and children introducing the concepts of solid waste management and discussing the seriousness of the increasing amount and toxicity of waste generated.

Managing Special Waste in Northwest Arkansas

Much of our everyday waste is extremely harmful to the environment if not disposed of properly, and in some cases it is illegal to just dump old products. Protect yourself and the environment around you by using the following programs to dispose of waste products. If you would like more information please visit our website bmswd.com or call us.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

If you think that you don't have any hazardous waste sitting around your house, you may want to take a closer look. Some of the most common types of household hazardous wastes are automotive products, paint, lawn & garden products, batteries, cleaning products, swimming pool chemicals, and fluorescent light bulbs. Just pouring the products out or trashing them is **not** the proper way to dispose of HHW. *This type of waste can be extremely harmful to people, animals, air, water, plants, and the soil if not properly disposed.* Empty containers or leftover product should be taken to an HHW collection site for proper disposal. There are permanent waste collection sites within the District to help make sure that wastes are no longer trashed, illegally dumped, or burned.



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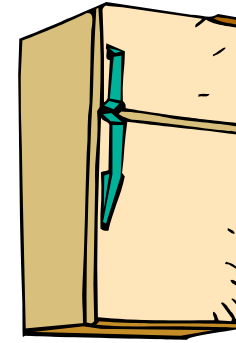
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Waste Tires

Any resident of Madison or Washington Counties may take up to four car or light truck tires to a collection center for recycling at no charge. (There will be a fee collected for more than four tires.) Large truck tires, off-road tires or tires on rims have an additional disposal charge.



Bulky Waste



Wondering what to do with large unwanted items like refrigerators, sofas, washers and dryers? Let us come get them. The District operates a Bulky Waste Program to provide residents an easy curbside disposal option for these materials. A small fee is required, and prices vary upon the item collected. **Automotive and glass items will not be picked up.** You can always save some money and bring it to us instead. For fee rates, directions to our office, or to schedule a pick-up please call us at (888) 426-9278.

Electronics Recycling

Many heavy metals such as silver, chromium, lead, zinc and copper are used in the production of electronics. Televisions and computer monitors often contain as much as four to eight pounds of lead. To compound this problem, it is estimated that by the year 2004 nearly 315 million computers will be ready for disposal.



In an effort to divert some of this type of waste from landfills, an electronics recycling program is available in Northwest Arkansas. The following items are being collected for a small fee per unit: Computers, Printers, TVs, and VCRs.