



Spokane County

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Effective on January 22, 2018, a \$2.00 Environmental Programs Charge (EPC) will be added to tipping fees (per vehicle) at the North County and Valley Transfer Stations. Unfortunately, this is necessary due to severe cuts in state funding for state-mandated solid waste reduction and recycling programs.

2018 North County & Valley Transfer Station Rates

	Garbage	Clean Green
Minimum Charge*	\$17 (up to 300 lbs.) *	\$10 (up to 320 lbs.) *

Garbage	\$104.50/per ton + \$2.00 (EPC per vehicle)
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Clean Green	\$50.00/per ton + \$2.00 (EPC per vehicle)
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*Includes a \$2.00 Environmental Programs Charge (EPC).

The \$2.00 Environmental Programs Charge (EPC) is a fixed charge per vehicle that will support current critical services and programs.

For more information see the back of this flyer or go to www.spokanecountysolidwaste.org.



Why did Spokane County add an Environmental Programs Charge (EPC)?

- Local governments are **required by state law** to provide comprehensive solid waste planning, programs and services.
- In the past, the state provided the necessary funding for these mandated programs and services.
- This funding was dramatically cut by the Washington State Legislature.
- The EPC will compensate for the loss of state funding.

How will the Environmental Programs Charge (EPC) be spent?

The EPC will allow the county to continue providing essential services such as:

- **FREE** household hazardous waste disposal.
- **FREE** recycling drop off.
- Subsidized clean green disposal.
- Community outreach & education programs.
- Other solid waste programs and services.

How can I save money at the transfer stations?

- Recycling drop off is **FREE** to Spokane County residents and small businesses.
- **The more you recycle – the more you save!**
- Take full loads to save time and travel.

I don't use these programs. Why should I have to pay for them?

All of Spokane County benefits from these programs. For example, if Household Hazardous Waste was further restricted, the County could see an increase in illegal dumping of hazardous chemicals, directly affecting all Spokane County taxpayers for cleanup costs.

For more information and a full list of clean recyclables that are accepted at the North County & Valley transfer stations, go to www.spokanecountysolidwaste.org or call our hotline at 509.477.6800