



Spokane County
Regional Solid
Waste System

COMPREHENSIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

UPDATE



EVERY FIVE YEARS

The Department of Ecology requires every County to revise their Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) every five years. We will be publishing a quarterly newsletter to update our stakeholders on the progress during this process.

GREAT WEST ENGINEERING

Spokane County has selected Great West Engineering, Inc as the consultants to update the SWMP. The estimated timeline for this project is January 2020 to August 2021.

SUBCOMMITTEE

During the January SWAC meeting, several members volunteered to serve on a subcommittee to provide input and direction for the SWMP. All subcommittee meetings are open to the public.



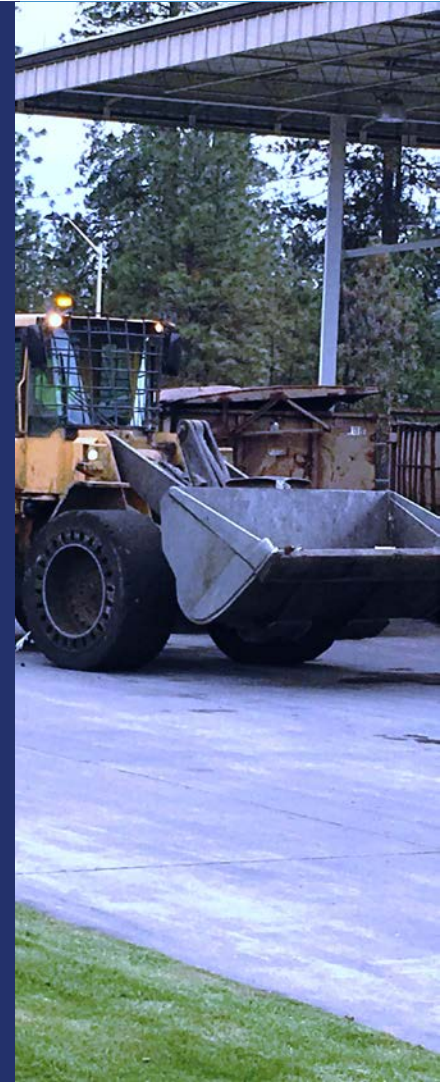
HIGHLIGHT :

Great West has facilitated two subcommittee meetings that were focused on generating a vision statement, organizing the elements of the Table of Contents, and brainstorming goals that will drive the work of Spokane County over the next 5 years.

DRAFT VISION STATEMENT:

The Spokane County Regional Solid Waste System will provide equitable, affordable, flexible, and fiscally responsible services. We will leverage and coordinate resources and advocate for waste reduction and sustainable materials management. We will strive to protect and enhance the health of our community, environment, and sole source aquifer while accommodating sustainable regional growth. This vision also includes the following guiding principles:

- Foster partnerships and align regional waste services.
- Provide and coordinate solid waste education for the community.
- Cultivate sustainable programs and markets to reduce and reuse waste.
- Encourage the development and use of innovative technology, expert knowledge and scientific research.
- Promote policies and incentives that support system goals.
- Establish and maintain adaptability in programs.



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MEETINGS AND RECORDS :

- All scheduled meetings, meeting minutes and related documents associated with the SWMP update can be found at:

<https://www.spokanecounty.org/2032/Spokane-County-ComprehensiveSolid-Waste->

- Are you interested in being part of the listserv for meeting updates? Please send an email of intent to Danette Dobbins at DDobbins@spokanecounty.org.

****Meetings Postponed****

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the March SWAC meeting was cancelled, and SWAC subcommittee meetings have either been postponed or rescheduled as online meetings. In May we will re-evaluate our meeting options.

