Northeast Nebraska Hub & Spoke Recycling Project



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Hub and Spoke Recycling: Maximizing Regional and Rural Programs Norfolk, Nebraska

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Changing the Culture of Waste

- Look At Waste as a Resource
- Imagine Everything Having Value
- Imagine There Was No Landfill



- The Future = Landfill Mining, Less Landfills
- Recycling as a Practice is Here to Stay
- Try Using the words: Discards, Resources, Products, Materials In the Place of "Waste"

Our Discards Have a Value!



Nebraska

- •1.9 million people
- 16th largest state in size 76,825 square miles, 38th in population
- •23.8 people per square mile (87 mi² nationally)
- •11.4 % of Nebraskans living in poverty (National Average 14.8%)
- •17% recycling (Nebraska Recycling Study, 2015)
- Access to recycling is 55% in towns with populations of 100-800 compared to 92%+ in larger communities (Nebraska Recycling Study, 2015)

What are we trying to do?... Reduce Waste!



"I can see only one thing missing in your report, you've overlooked the problem we're trying to solve."

Key to Success - Goals and Planning



"Our community wants to recycle more"

VS

"The City of Norfolk wants to establish a source-separated, residential recycling processing program that accepts cardboard, aluminum, plastic #1 and #2 and tin cans with three drop off locations by March of 2019"



Strategic Recycling Plan

For the [County/City/Entity]

Adopted by Resolution of the Entity's Commission, Council or Board

Executive Summary: This document addresses the City of _____ commitment to providing recycling services to residents, diverting material from the landfill and leading an education campaign related to recycling and waste reduction.

Task: Develop a Strategic Recycling Plan with short-term and long-term goals to include a 5-year goal of reaching a 33% MSW recycling rate, an education and outreach plan and recycling expansion time frames.

The following document outlines various elements which can be incorporated into the plan to satisfy the requirements of this Task. These elements are exemplary only and the final plan may or may not include any or all of these elements so long as the requirements outlined are met.

The completed plan shall be formally adopted by the community via resolution. All goals established by the plan should include strategies for attainment including the identification of all participants and their roles and responsibilities related to the attainment of said goals.

Required Elements of the Plan

Establish a formal education and outreach strategy in 2018

Establish facility and infrastructure improvements based on forecasted needs with specific timelines/target dates

Establish a goal to reach a 33% MSW recycling rate, as defined by US EPA, to be reached by 2025.

Hub and Spoke Rural Recycling

- Regional recycling processing centers or "hubs" that accept material from drop-off locations or "spokes"
- Generally, hubs do not pay spokes for material and spokes transport material to hubs
- Spokes reduce costs
- Hubs incur processing costs, which are offset by the sale of recyclables







Barriers & Incentives for Rural Recycling

Common Barriers

Low volumes difficult to market

Limited populations = limited materials

Knowledge Gap

Cost to start/run program

Dispersed Population

Lack of infrastructure

Lack of political support

Historic Dependence on Disposal

Incentives for Hub and Spoke

Job Creation

Increase access to recycling

Provides service in rural and underserved areas

Replicable Design

Cost Avoidance – Landfill Tip Fee Savings

Material Sales Revenue at Hubs

Leveraging State Funding

Transportation Efficiencies

Pooling resources – not competing for limited volumes

Achieving Rural Recycling Success





- Easy & Convenient
- Collect Where People Take Their Trash
- Regionalized Processing
- Regional Partnerships
- Citizens Group Support
- Avoid Over-Investment in Equipment
- Set Reasonable Goals: Start with Basics - Cardboard, Aluminum
- Education & Outreach

Markets – From Grassroots to Multi-Million











Markets

- What items do they accept?
- What are their specifications for materials and processing demands? (horizontal verses vertical baler, etc)
- MRF, broker or end-market (mill)

End Market or Mill	Broker	Processor (MRF)
Generally pay the highest price per ton – based on index pricing	Brokers take a fee	Lowest value per ton
Highest quality material required with little contaminants	Highest quality material required with little contaminants	Highest quality material desired, but often more lenient
Generally require 20 ton truckload = storage requirements	Can coordinate milk-runs of material	Avoids capital and operating costs of handling, sorting and processing materials

Collection

- Will you target a specific material?
- Will you target a specific source of material? (residential vs. commercial)
- Curbside vs. Drop-Off

	 Low Capital Cost 			
	 Low Operating Cost 			
Drop-Off	 Smart for Start-Up Programs 			
	 Good for Rural Programs 			
	 Inefficient Freight - (low volumes/ trip) 			
	 High Capital Cost 			
	 High Operating Cost 			
Curbside	 Requires High Density Population (not 			
	always suited for rural applications)			
	Convenient			

Collection

Curbside

	 Source Separated or Dual/Single Stream 	
	 Locate Where There is People Traffic 	
	 Wide Variety of Container Options 	Plastic Bottles (2)
Drop-off	 Variety of Freight Options (roll-off, front- 	
	load, trailers)	
	 Staffing vs. Non-Staffing 	
	 Good Signage is Critical 	

- Single Stream or Dual Stream
- Can Repurpose Existing Fleet
- Bins, Bags, or Carts
- Requires a Processing Facility
- Freight Efficiencies (material density)



Drop-Off signage SIGNAGE SIGNAGE!



All of these are cardboard collection containers





Processing Options

Source-separated Processing

- Collected primarily via drop-off collections
- Residents pre-sort material into separate bins per commodity
- Benefits low start up costs, clean material that is easy to market and earns high value
- Drawbacks Less convenient for residents, less volume captured
- Dual Stream Processing
- Recyclables sorted into two categories by consumers or operators: fiber (cardboard and mixed paper) and rigids (metal cans and plastic bottles)
- Benefits fairly convenient for residents, higher capture rate than drop off, moderate start up expenses, produces clean material
- Drawbacks operating expenses can be high (more labor)





Processing Options Continued

Single-stream Processing

- All recyclables put together in one bin
- Requires a MRF to separate out the different commodities
- Common with curbside collection
- Benefits convenient for residents, high volume of material captured
- Weaknesses expensive start up, expensive operating costs, high residual (16%+), more difficult to ensure clean endproduct, hard to "un-do" - once a community has single stream difficult to retrain residents and revert back to sourceseparated

SINGLE STREAM Recyclables

MIXED PAPER

Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, brown paper bags, paper packaging, beverage cartons, all office paper, phone books, envelopes, junk mail

PLASTIC

All beverage and food containers, detergent bottles, household cleaners, yogurt cups, rigid plastics

GLASS All beverage and food containers

METAL Aluminum cans, aluminum pans, foil

CARDBOARD Flattened boxes

Please empty, rinse and squash all containers. Remove lids when possible. No foam containers.



Markets, Collections & Processing: Public-Private Partnerships

A **public**—**private partnership** (PPP) is a government service or private business venture, which is funded and operated through a partnership of government and one or more private sector companies.

Benefits of Public-Private Partnerships

 Rural Markets can be Developed through PPPs

- Removes the responsibility of funding the investment from the government's balance sheet;
- Introduces/promotes competition;
- Serves to share managerial practices and experience of the private sector;
- Restructures public sector service by embracing private sector capital and practices;
- Can achieve greater efficiency than traditional methods of providing public services



National Sword/China Ban (2017 - ?)



Processing: Single Stream and National Sword

Considerations

- Contamination of SS loads is on average 16% of inbound tons
- Contamination cost an average of \$140 per ton
- Markets are demanding reduced contamination which increases processing costs
- Single Stream significantly improves participation residents love it!
- There are more non-recyclable materials in the feedstock which increases the cost of recycling programs
- There are more low-value materials in the recycling stream, which reduces overall revenue
- Processing costs at the MRF are increasing because of stricter quality standards

Processing Options for Norfolk Hub



Processing Options – Capital Expenses		
ltem	Source Separated Program with Processing (~1500 tons/year)	Dual Stream Program with Processing (~2000 tons/year)
General (bonds, mobilization, etc.)	\$0	\$0
Construction		
Pre-engineering/Site Work	\$23,000	\$23,000
Construction	\$60,000	\$60,000
Asphalt	\$20,000	\$20,000
Baler & Conveyor & Additional Storage		
Horizontal Manual Tie Baler (GSA)	\$60,000	\$60,000
Pit Conveyor (GSA - 2R CONVEYOR 4829)	\$24,000	\$24,000
Baler Freight and Install	\$8,000	\$8,000
3 Phase Power Conversion	\$9,000	\$9,000
Sort Line Conveyor (GSA GS-07F-5447P - 3 person station, magnetic head for ferrous & diverter shoot)		\$36,000
Collection Equipment		
Cardboard Only or Comingled Collection Roll-Off (3 sets or 6 total at \$6000 each)		\$36,000
Source Separated Collection set - container for OCC and divided container for sorted recyclables (3 sets at \$15,000 per set)	\$45,000)
Miscellaneous		
Perimeter Fencing (8 ft, High)	\$3,000	\$3,000
Fork Lift	\$30,000	\$30,000
Loading Ramp	\$11,000) \$11,000
Sub Total:	: \$293,000	\$320,000
15% Contingency	/ \$43,950	\$48,000
Nebraska Sales Tax (7%)) \$23,587	\$25,760
Iotal for Program	\$360,537	\$393,760
Interest Rate		4.0%
Annual Debt Service	e \$43,803	\$\$47,840

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Processing Options – Operating Expenses

	Source S Drop Of	Separated f Program	Dual Stre Processi	<u>eam</u> ng
Operating Expenses	Estimat	ed Amount	Estimat	ed Amount
Labor Rates Not Including Hauling (Annual wages and benefits), assuming \$55,000 per FTE	\$	110,000	\$	275,000
Gallons of Diesel Fuel used/hour for Onsite Equipment (e.g. fork lift, skid steer, etc)		4		4
Onsite Equipment Use Per Day (Hours)		3		6
Annual Fuel Expenses*	\$	9,984	\$	19,968
Annual Utilities Costs (electricity, etc)**	\$	6,500	\$	7,800
Annual Supply Expenses (baling wire, signs, personal safety equipment, etc)	\$	3,500	\$	5,000
Total Direct Expenses	\$	129,984	\$	307,768
Indirect/Admin cost rate (%)		10%		10%
Annual Indirect/Admin fees	\$	12,998.40	\$	30,776.80
TOTAL Annual Expenses	\$	142,982.40	\$	338,544.80
*Assumes 260 work days per year and \$3.20 per gallon for di	esel			
**Assumes 260 work days per year and \$25/day utilities fees				

Diversion Estimates: Dual Stream Curbside in Norfolk

Population Served: Norfolk, NE	24,350	(US Census)								
Predicted MSW Disposed										
(tons) ²	31,107	(7 lbs/person/c	lay)							
Diverted (Recycled) Tons ²	6,346	(17% recycle ra	ite)							
Total MSW Generation (tons) ²	37,329	(8.4 lbs/person	/day)							
Landfill Tipping Fees Per Ton	\$ 24.00									
MSW Hauling Fee Per Ton ³	\$ 6.00									
	Percent of	Tons	Estimated	Pecovered	Estimated		Avoided	Avoided MSW	Combined	
		Concrated	Capture Pate ²		\$/Ton	Gross Value	Landfill	Avolueu Ivisv	Value &	
Mid Capture Rate	1012.00	Generateu	Capture Rate	Tons Annually	(low market)		Tipping Fees	Hauning Costs	Avoided Costs	
Cardboard (OCC)	11.50%	4,293	7.5%	322	\$80	\$25,757	\$7,727	\$1,932	\$35,415	
Mixed Paper (ONP#7)	15.56%	5,808	15.0%	871	\$5	\$4,356	\$20,910	\$5,227	\$30,494	
Aluminum Cans (UBC)	1.03%	384	10.0%	38	\$1,200	\$46,138	\$923	\$231	\$47,292	
Tin	1.48%	552	25.0%	138	\$50	\$6,906	\$3,315	\$829	\$11,049	
#1 PET Plastic Bottles	2.70%	1,008	10.0%	101	\$320	\$32,252	\$2,419	\$605	\$35,275	
#2 HDPE Plastic Bottles	1.10%	411	10.0%	41	\$280	\$11,497	\$985	\$246	\$12,729	
Totals:		12,457		1,512		\$126,906	\$36,279	\$9,070	\$172,254	
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	Percent of	Tons	Estimated	Recovered	Estimated		Avoided	Avoided MSW	Combined	
	MSW ²	Generated	Canture Rate ²	Tons Annually	\$/Ton	Gross Value	Landfill	Hauling Costs	Value &	
High Canture Rate	1413.44	Generated	capture nate	Tons Annually	(low market)		Tipping Fees	Trading Costs	Avoided Costs	
Cardboard (OCC)	11.50%	4.293	15%	644	\$80	\$51.513	\$15.454	\$3.864	\$70.831	
Mixed Paper (ONP#7)	15.56%	5,808	25%	1,452	\$5	\$7,260	\$34,850	\$8,712	\$50,823	
Aluminum Cans (UBC)	1.03%	384	25%	, 96	\$1,200	\$115,345	\$2,307	\$577	\$118,229	
Tin	1.48%	552	50%	276	\$50	\$13,812	\$6,630	\$1,657	\$22,099	
#1 PET Plastic Bottles	2.70%	1,008	25%	252	\$320	\$80,630	\$6,047	\$2,268	\$88,945	
#2 HDPE Plastic Bottles	1.10%	411	25%	103	\$280	\$28,743	\$2,464	\$616	\$31,823	
Glass Bottles and Jars ⁴	4.00%	1493.14	25%	373	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	. ,	. ,		. ,	
Totals:		12,457		3,196		\$297,303	\$67,751	\$17,694	\$382,748	
¹ 2009 Nebraska Waste Characterization Study	y						· · ·			
² Nebraska Recycling Study, 2015; 2009 Waste	Study; 2015 local was	ste characterization s'	tudies							
³ Assuming 50 mph speed for truck, \$3.22 price per gallon of diesel, 68 mile round trip, 20 ton truck, \$1525 in annual truck maintenance costs, \$20/hour driver and employee benefits valued at 35%										

⁴Glass collection could be secondary and should be only if the markets exists for the material, may require separation from other rigids

MSW = Municipal Solid Waste, generated from residential and business

Diversion Estimates: Source Separated Drop-off in Norfolk

Population Served: Norfolk, NE	24,350	(US Census)							
Predicted MSW Disposed (tons) ²	31,107	(7 lbs/person/day)							
Diverted (Recycled) Tons ²	6,346	(17% recycle rate)							
Total MSW Generation (tons) ²	37,329	(8.4 lbs/person/day)							
Landfill Tipping Fees Per Ton	\$ 24.00								
MSW Hauling Fee Per Ton ³	\$ 6.00								
Mid Capture Rate	Percent of MSW ²	Tons Generated	Estimated Capture Rate ²	Recovered Tons Annually	Estimated \$/Ton (low market)	Gross Value	Avoided Landfill Tipping Fees	Avoided MSW Hauling Costs	Combined Value & Avoided Costs
Cardboard (OCC)	11.50%	4,293	7.5%	322	\$80	\$25,757	\$7,727	\$1,932	\$35,415
Mixed Paper (ONP#7)	15.56%	5,808	7.5%	436	\$5	\$2,178	\$10,455	\$2,614	\$15,247
Aluminum Cans (UBC)	1.03%	384	10.0%	38	\$1,200	\$46,138	\$923	\$231	\$47,292
Tin	1.48%	<u>552</u>	10.0%	55	\$50	\$2,762	\$1,326	, \$331	\$4,420
#1 PET Plastic Bottles	2.70%	1,008	8.0%	. 81	\$320	\$25,801	\$1,935	, \$484	\$28,220
#2 HDPE Plastic Bottles	1.10%	411	8.0%	33	\$280	\$9,198	\$788	\$197	\$10,183
Totals:		12,457		965		\$111,834	\$23,154	\$5,789	\$140,777
High Capture Rate	Percent of MSW ²	Tons Generated	Estimated Capture Rate ²	Recovered Tons Annually	Estimated \$/Ton (low market)	Gross Value	Avoided Landfill Tipping Fees	Avoided MSW Hauling Costs	Combined Value & Avoided Costs
Cardboard (OCC)	11.50%	4,293	9%	386	\$80	\$30,908	\$9,272	\$2,318	\$42,499
Mixed Paper (ONP#7)	15.56%	, 5,808	8%	465	\$5	\$2,323	\$11,152	\$2,788	\$16,263
Aluminum Cans (UBC)	1.03%	, 384	12%	46	\$1,200	\$55,366	\$1,107	\$277	\$56,750
Tin	1.48%	ى 552	12%	66	\$50	\$3,315	\$1,591	\$398	\$5,304
#1 PET Plastic Bottles	2.70%	1,008	10%	. 101	\$320	\$32,252	\$2,419	\$907	\$35,578
#2 HDPE Plastic Bottles	1.10%	, 411	10%	41	\$280	\$11,497	\$985	, \$246	\$12,729
Glass Bottles and Jars	4.00%	1493.14	10%	149					
Totals:		12,457		1,255		\$135,661	\$26,527	\$6,934	\$169,122
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MSW = Municipal Solid Waste, generated from residential and business									

Diversion Estimates: Spokes

Potential from Spoke Communities							
	Population		Distance (in mile Norfolk Hub	es) from a	Low-Capture Rate		
Battle Creek	1,200		17		61		
Creston	203		29		10		
Elgin	661		40		33		
Hadar	293		7		15		
Hoskins	283		9		14		
Humphrey	760		26		39		
Madison	2,438		16		123		
Meadow Grove	301		17		15		
Newman Grove	721		38		37		
Oakdale	300		30		15		
Pierce	1,767		14		90		
Tilden	951		22		48		
Winside	427		19		22		
Total	10,305		22 miles (averag	ge)	522 tons		
522 tons =		Gross Value	Avoided Landfill Tipping Fees	Avoided MSW Hauling Costs	Combined Value & Avoided Costs		
522	tons =	\$45.23	Fees 39 \$12.535	Hauling Costs	Avoided Costs 2 \$65.087		

Cost Comparison - Norfolk

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	Source Separated Program with Processing	Dual Stream Program with Processing
Initial Capital Expense	\$360,537	\$393,760
Annual avoided landfill costs & recycling material revenue	(\$140,777)	(\$172,254)
Annual Operating Expenses	\$ 142,982	\$ 338,545
Totals	\$ 362,742	\$ 560,050

Hub & Spoke Case Study – New Mexico

New Mexico

- •2.1 million people
- 5th largest state in size 121,298 square miles, 36th in population
 17 people per square mile (87 mi² nationally)
- •106 rural communities, 120 total
- •21.3 % of New Mexicans living in poverty (National Average 14.8%)
- Annual state recycling grant funding = ~\$175,000
- One end-market in state Cardboard
 23% diversion and 16% recycling
 (2014)

Historical Rural Recycling Challenges in NM :

- •Limited
- population=limited materials
- Low volumes difficult to
- market
- •Knowledge gap
- •Cost to start/run
- program
- Lack of political support
- Lack of Infrastructure
- •Historical dependence on disposal

Rural Recycling in New Mexico

- 2007 NM Environment Department Solid Waste Management Plan prioritized the provision of "Access to Recycling" for all New Mexicans
- Waste typically handled at *convenience centers* (roll-off based)
- Recycling & Illegal Dumping Grant fund revenue from motor vehicle registrations
- NM Recycling Coalition received \$2.8 million American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant from DOE for rural recycling in 2010









New Mexico Hub and Spoke Recycling



Household Recyclables Accepted in NM via Hub & Spoke



Case Study: Otero County ~ pop. 65,616 includes Tularosa, Cloudcroft & Weed spokes

Recycling Motivation: Citizen Demand, Long Haul to Landfill

BEFORE:

- 2010 only three household recycling drop-off sites countywide only accepted cardboard. This is for a county larger than the size of the state of Connecticut.
- 2010 recycling rate was 2.71%
- High transportation expenses as local landfill is approximately 60 miles south of Alamogordo and the area's transfer station

AFTER:

- County received "hub & spoke" funding in 2011 and 2012
- 11 new drop-off sites created in rural and urban sites new access to recycling created
- Materials collected expanded to aluminum, tin, mixed paper, cardboard, plastic #1 & #2.
- Increased recycling & reduced landfill transportation miles by 17,466 in one year alone.
- Increased public awareness lead to the creation of a local citizen activist group
- Joined the R3 Coop.
- With improved capacity to process recyclables, the county received a grant from the NM Enviro Dept for 5 containers to collect cardboard from businesses.
- Recycling rate rose from 10.19% in 2011 to 22.10% in 2012 (also due to organics diversion)
- The county brought on one new full time employee to help operate the recycling programs.
- Recycling facility operators report positive feedback from the community
- In 2013 and 2014 the county earned \$19,970 from recycling sales
- Otero County's list of expanded services includes taking over glass recycling operations from the nearby Holloman Air Force Base. As of 2015, glass is accepted at the county's hub in La Luz, and it is crushed and hauled to Colorado to be recycled.

Case Study: Silver City ~ pop. 10,172 - State's only PAYT Community

Recycling Motivation: No Processing Capacity, Long Haul to Processor

BEFORE:

- Curbside, single-stream residential recycling program. However they had no way to sort or bale their material.
- Sending loose, non-baled recyclables at a cost of \$18/ton.
- The high cost of recycling created a financial burden for the community. AFTER:
- In 2012 Silver City received an "improvement" grant from NMRC as part of ARRA funding for a highcapacity horizontal baler, efficient conveyor system and yard ramp.
- City now bales their single stream material and "cherry pick" the valuable cardboard out of the process for sale, thus creating a more efficient process that generates a more valuable commodity
- Instead of paying \$18/ton to process their recycling, the City receives \$15/ton for the baled single stream material and has dramatically increased transportation efficiency.
- Load 23.3 tons of material per trip as opposed to an average of 10.56 tons per trip, saving an estimated 44 trips to the end market a year.
- Silver City was a member of the R3 Co-op, enabling them to receive fair market value for their cardboard.
- The financial benefit of the new recycling processing system is matched by improved staff morale because of the increased efficiency and drastically improved safety resulting from the new yard ramp.
- In 2014 community earned over \$20,000 from recycling sales
- With these improved operations the community was able to focus on automated, cart-based curbside recycling programs. In February of 2017, Silver City replaced its 25-gallon tubs used in a manual curbside collection program with 65-gallon carts. It also upgraded commercial recycling operations by providing local businesses with 450-gallon recycling carts and took over the collection of the recyclables from the South Central Solid Waste Authority
- Then National Sword

Results of Hub & Spoke Recycling

- Access to recycling = recycling is possible within a 30 mile radius
- From 2007 to 2013 115 new locations recycling locations created = 113% increase in Access to Recycling
- Launch of the hub and spoke program created a total of 39.43 direct FTE jobs & 96.4 Indirect FTEs



NM's Hubs and Spokes – where are we today?

Annual recycling tonnages at the ARRA-funded rural recycling hubs

								Estancia
	Otero	NWNMRS		Truth or		SWSWA		Valley
	County	WA -	Las	Conseq		- Silver		SWA –
Year	- La Luz	Thoreau	Vegas	uences	Deming	City*	Raton	Torrance*
2010	413.27	481.39	129.60	192.19	60.75	1,347	0.00	217.00
2011	317.69	460.76	187.49	266.10	150.85	1,794	0.00	241.00
2012	294.24	950.09	207.50	292.12	142.79	1,329	61.90	190.53
2013	436.42	771.81	210.78	382.37	173.00	1,504	166.23	202.32
2014	473.63	650.16	399.12	362.66	88.54	1,680	211.54	240.17
2015	563.34	755.59	390.59	361.52	89.61	1,676	201.05	334.27
2016	676.79	898.39	278.63	415.84	81.28	1,414	192.55	375.87

The decline in tons in 2016 in Silver City is attributed to the city discontinuing its glass recycling operations, collection equipment issues during the year and the lack of a shipment of recovered electronics (e-scrap is only sent to market from Silver City every 14-16 months). In addition, the City of Deming removed its green waste and scrap tire diversion programs in 2014, causing the tons of material recycled to be lower. However, the quality of the city's traditional household recyclable materials has improved in recent years thanks to public education efforts. Similarly, the City of Las Vegas experienced a reduction in tons recycled in 2016 because of equipment issues with a yard waste grinder – these problems were resolved later in the year.

*Single Stream

NM's Hubs and Spokes – where are we today

How did NM's system consistently boost tonnages, even amid market challenges?

- Production of high-quality, source separated material
- Development of strong relationships with end markets
- Establishing solid waste rates that helped pay for recycling operations
- Included cost avoidance when evaluating expenses
- Continued outside funding efforts to improve programs
- Increasing spoke locations and services (cardboard business collection)
- National Sword all of the source separated hubs are operating as usual, the two single stream hubs are having a harder time.
 - 4 weeks ago Silver City received a one sentence email from their MRF in Tucson that they would no longer accept their material
 - Estancia Valley SWA discontinued the collection of all mixed paper and plastics returning to source separated metal cans and cardboard only

Recycling Phase I and Phase II in Norfolk



Phase

 Source-separated, drop-off program with infrastructure capable of processing up to 1,500 tons of recyclables per year and three collection locations throughout town, including one at the Norfolk Transfer Station.

 Recyclables would be brought to the transfer station's recycling hub, stored and baled when enough material is collected, and sold to market.

Recycling Phase I and Phase II in Norfolk



Phase I

- Curbside collection in Norfolk has a higher recovery potential than drop-off programs and could bring in an estimated 1,512 - 3,196 tons of recyclables for processing by the City.
- This volume of material could be managed at a facility designed for a source-separated program by adding at least one or two sort lines and conveyors.
- Additional storage capacity would further increase the capacity of the facility to process material

Recycling Additional Considerations



- Education and Outreach
- The impact on capture rates of fiber from the free drop-off programs provided by the local cellulous insulation manufacturer, Greenfiber
- The ability to ensure that recyclables collected within Norfolk come to the recycling center without a franchise agreement or flow control ordinance for municipal solid waste. Particularly applicable to curbside collections.

Thank You



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