



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL FACILITY

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### A Notice To Residents

The Recycling and Disposal Facility (RDF) has new procedures for all users to keep our community and our staff safe.

We urge all residents to use the RDF during non-peak hours. These are the hours between 7 am-10 am on Monday through Friday. This will help alleviate congestion on busy Saturdays, especially in the recycling areas.

We understand this may not be possible for everyone. However, with the current state of emergency in place we are asking all users **to shift their use of the RDF from Saturdays to a weekday morning whenever possible.**

The health and safety of both our staff and our customers is always a top priority. Closing access to a portion of the recycling wall and adjacent parking spots along the recycling wall helps in this manner:

- Our staff has more control over the timing and staging of recyclable materials for processing. RDF staff touch all fiber, steel cans, plastic, and other products that are baled. Since Covid-19 may persist on surfaces for several days, all materials are now stored for a time before baled. Fewer storage containers improves our ability to monitor this and handle all materials safely. All materials can still be recycled, just in fewer locations.
- Encourages safe distancing and reduces crowding at the recycling wall by limiting cars to every other parking spot.

We appreciate the efforts all residents are making when visiting the RDF and thank you for your understanding and willingness to work together. We know at times there may be long lines at the recycling area on Saturdays and we certainly appreciate your patience while we work hard to keep operations as smooth as possible.

You can help! PLEASE make every effort to come to the RDF during non-peak hours, sort your materials at home to keep your trips brief, and be patient as we all navigate these unusual circumstances and unprecedented times.

Thank you, be well, and please stay safe!

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