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Clatsop County Board of Commissioners To Consider Franchise Agreements for Countywide Recycling Services

(Astoria, OR) — Clatsop County Board of Commissioners is seeking public comment on a proposed franchise agreement for recycling service from Recology Western Oregon and Waste Management of Oregon.

Public comment may be made in-person at the May 8, 2024 Board of Commissioners meeting or in writing at <u>ClatsopCounty.gov</u>. A vote will take place on that date, and if approved, that will end the public comment process.

Recology and Waste Management currently provide curbside garbage pickup in Unincorporated Clatsop County. The new franchise agreements will add curbside recycling to the service.

"Recycling services will be rolled out over the next three to 18 months, depending on who your solid waste provider is," said Anthony Pope, Clatsop County Counsel. "We want to make sure customers know the new recycling fee will only be charged when the service begins."

Currently, unincorporated Clatsop County residents only have the option to bring their recycling to a transfer station. The Board of Commissioners updated the <u>Solid Waste</u> <u>Ordinance in January 2024</u> to require franchise agreements to include recycling service in rural and suburban areas of the County.

If the franchise agreements are approved, the recycling roll out in Unincorporated Clatsop County is expected to begin July 1, 2024. Customers served by Waste Management will begin receiving recycling pickup in approximately three to six months. Recology customers will begin receiving recycling pickup in approximately six to 18 months.