

Present: Janet O'Connor, Vicki Rice, Mike Drumright, Don Stacy, Chris Giraldez, Scott Wilson, Lisa Bishop, David Baker  
December meeting minutes approved.

**Updates:**

- Wilson Recycling is no longer accepting all plastics. Due to the substantially lower value of contaminated, mixed plastics, they will only be accepting #1, #2, and #5; basically milk jugs, pop bottles and dairy tubs.
- Mason County Garbage reports that there continues to be a decline in customers for household collection. Based on customer feedback, people feel that "the disposal rates at County sites where recycling is free are cheaper than subscription service." This misconception appears to be widespread, and future rates at County facilities should take this information into account.
- Also from Mason County Garbage, there was a request to consider amending the curbside recycling ordinance. The ordinance has no language identifying the cost of the recycling carts if not returned when service is discontinued.
- The electronics waste collection data for 2009 should be finalized for the February meeting.
- Staff attended a statewide commingled recycling meeting to consider program analysis and recommendations. This was the 6<sup>th</sup> of 8 in the series, with a final report due in April or May. This report will be brought to the SWAC.
- There was a discussion about changes in fees for garbage and recycling services at County facilities. Topics included discontinuing the acceptance of glass, charging for recyclables, and discontinuing of recycling collection for materials collected curbside.

**Solid Waste Management Plan** Chapter 3 in the Plan will need to be amended, due to the extensive changes in recycling since the Plan's adoption. Data tables will be updated to more current information, and changes to the bluebox program, curbside collection, and the City of Shelton program all need to be amended.

This chapter also defines several specific actions for public outreach, including the internet. The Committee finds the current site to be of limited usefulness, and not effective in achieving the goals of the Plan.

There was a recommendation from the SWAC to upgrade the site and update it on a regular basis with easier-to-access and more current, comprehensive information.

**Hazardous Waste Plan** will be discussed in February. The draft will be emailed to the committee by the 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Next meeting will be February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in Building 1**