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SOLID WASTE ADVISORY

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SWA 21-004 –Temporary Change to Separate Yard Waste Collection Requirement

This Solid Waste Advisory (SWA) serves as notification to licensed solid waste service providers that the requirement for separate collection of yard waste on a weekly basis is being temporarily modified for approximately two months, effective Tuesday, August 31, 2021.

Beginning August 31, 2021, collectors can, if they so choose, collect yard waste with refuse (i.e. mixed collections) without enforcement consequences. The temporary change is in response to national labor shortages adversely affecting our region. This has had an impact on municipal and private-sector solid waste collectors, who are providing the critical services necessary to promote clean streets and good sanitation.

During this temporary change, ***recyclables must continue to be collected separately every week.*** The requirement to separately collect yard waste for recycling will be reassessed in mid-October.

Questions or concerns regarding this Advisory should be directed to the contact shown above. Collectors are advised to closely review this Advisory upon receipt.

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