LANDFILL STATUS UPDATE

2024 Data Review 2025 Overview

2024 Monitoring Report Results

- Wolfe Lake Landfill gained almost 2 years with the use of shredding services and compaction.
 - Approximately 16.7 Year lifespan remaining on the site.
 - 14.5 Year lifespan remaining in 2023.
 - Application to expand the fill area will begin once the Bear Creek fill area expansion application has completed.
- Bear Creek Landfill gained 1.5 years with the use of compaction.
 - Approximately 7 Year lifespan remaining on the site.
 - 5.5 Year lifespan remaining in 2023.
 - Application process is ongoing for the expansion of the fill area for the site.

Provincial Status of Landfills

- The Ontario Baseline Waste and Recycling Report provided by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), reports that based on remaining space and current waste disposal rates in Ontario, the remaining disposal capacity of existing landfills will be full within ten years.
- Recently the City of Toronto issued an RFP request to Ontario municipalities with operating landfill sites requesting an opportunity to ship waste to the sites.
- Effective October 2025, blue box recycling activities will become the responsibility of the Province of Ontario, removing the cost of this service from municipalities. Operations should remain close to the same with the financial responsibility shifting to the producers of the products and away from ratepayers.
 - 2024 amount paid to Canor for Blue Box Recycling \$69,924.32.
 - 2024 amount received from Stewardship Ontario for recycling \$43,340.60.

DIVERSION PROGRAM STATUS

2024 diversion statistics:

159.845 tonnes of recyclables were diverted from the landfills, including:

- Electronics diversion:11.32 tonnes shipped out, revenue \$1,715.25
- Textiles diversion: 2.33 tonnes shipped out, no cost/no revenue
- Scrap steel diversion: 66.44 tonnes collected, revenue \$12,057.42
- Mattress diversion: 123 mattresses shipped, cost \$3,028.38
 - Cost per mattress \$24.63, User fee charged \$25.00

2025 Updates and Overview

- January 1, 2025 the Landfill sites moved to a 4 day per week, 10 hour per day schedule.
- Debit payment option was provided at each landfill beginning in January 2025. Approximately 1/3 of all tipping fees collected are utilizing the debit option.

Considerations moving forward:

- Requests for a compost location at each landfill have been received. This will help to remove food waste from the landfill fill sites. This will also increase rodent and nuisance animal presence at each site. There will be a cost to create a safe location to deposit the compost, maintain the area and ensure that it is secure.
 - It is staff recommendation that if these areas are created, composted soil NOT be sold or provided to the community due to the possibility of contamination from the site.
 - Does Council want Staff to proceed with a planning report on cost, location and benefits?
- Conceptual Closure Strategy for the Bear Creek Landfill site. This is an element that will be reviewed during the fill expansion application process.
 - What does Council see as a potential future use for the site?