

## I. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES

**Goal #5 - Provide adequate solid waste collection, disposal, and resource recovery facilities to meet the existing and projected needs and demands of the County's current and future population.**

### **Collection**

#### **- County-wide Systems**

Objective 5.1            The County shall ensure that, by the year 2010, every residential unit and nonresidential establishment shall be serviced by a County operated or franchised solid waste collector.

Policy 5.1.1            The level of service standards of 4.3 pounds per capita per day for Class I waste shall be used as the basis for determining the availability of facility capacity and the demand generated by a development.

Policy 5.1.2            The County shall periodically perform a rate study to determine the solid waste management fees.

#### **- Existing Dump Sites**

Objective 5.2            The analysis has shown that illegal dumps are prevalent and cause environmental detriment. To reverse this trend, the County's objective is to eliminate illegal dumps by 2010 through a combination of education, law enforcement, and adequate collection services.

Policy 5.2.1            The County recognizes the responsibility to clean up illegal dumps lies with the individual property owners. The County shall implement procedures for the clean up of existing dumpsites, including placing liens on properties for the costs of cleanup by the County.

### **Disposal**

#### **- Landfills**

Objective 5.3            The analysis has demonstrated that the County operated landfill must be expanded to meet the projected needs for solid waste disposal. To accomplish this, the County shall expand the landfill by 0.78 tons/year/capita to assure adequate landfill space or provide disposal capacity via contract with out-of-county facilities.

**Infrastructure Element  
Solid Waste Subelement**

- Policy 5.3.1            The County shall maintain a division within the Department of Public Works for the sole purpose of solid waste management.
- Policy 5.3.2            The County shall initiate a disposal method evaluation during the planning period.
- Policy 5.3.3            The County shall buffer and maintain the appearance of the landfill.
- Policy 5.3.4            The County shall pursue solid waste management grants jointly with the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness.
- Policy 5.3.5            Proposed Capital Improvement projects will be evaluated and ranked according to the following level guidelines:
- Level One** - whether the project is needed to protect public health and safety, to fulfill the County’s legal commitment to provide facilities and services, to preserve or achieve full use of existing facilities, or if permitted capacity has been reached.
- Level Two** - whether the project increases efficiency of use of existing facilities, prevents or reduces future improvement costs, provides service to developed areas lacking full service or promotes in-fill development.
- Level Three** - whether the project represents a logical extension of facilities and services within a designated service area.
- Waste Exclusion**
- Objective 5.4            The County shall maintain separate areas for the management of Class I and Class III wastes.
- Policy 5.4.1            Yard trash shall be restricted in the Central Landfill.
- Policy 5.4.2            The County shall maintain procedures for the disposal of yard trash through the use of chipping, partial composting, offsite recycling or disposal or approved use as daily cover for the landfill.
- Policy 5.4.3            High and medium density residential developments shall be encouraged to set land aside, within the development, for composting of yard trash.
- Policy 5.4.4            The County shall encourage homeowners, through incentives, to compost their yard trash.

**Infrastructure Element  
Solid Waste Subelement**

- Policy 5.4.5            The County shall designate an area for the segregation and recycling of scrap metal.
- Policy 5.4.6            The County shall encourage the proper use of private scrap metal recycling and construction and demolition debris and Class III landfills.
- Policy 5.4.7            Landfill disposal of used tires shall be prohibited in the Central Landfill.
- Policy 5.4.8            Landfill disposal of white goods shall be prohibited.
- Policy 5.4.9            The County shall maintain a program to monitor the disposal of sludge on public and private property to ensure that environmentally sound techniques are used.
- Policy 5.4.10           The County shall continue a program through its LDC to require commercial boat docks to provide raw sewage and solid waste disposal facilities.
- Policy 5.4.11           The County shall continue to provide solid waste disposal containers at all County boat ramps and shall provide RV/boat sewage tank disposal sites at specified boat ramps within the planning period.

**Recycling**

- Objective 5.5           The analysis has indicated that resource recovery and volume reduction practices conserve valuable natural resources and lower landfill space requirements. To accomplish this and to meet the state goal that the County reduce its waste stream by 30 percent, no more than one-half of this 30 percent can be met with a diversion of yard trash and process fuel from landfilling.
- Policy 5.5.1            The County shall maintain a recycling program for residential units.
- Policy 5.5.2            The County shall encourage and support a nonresidential development recycling program.
- Policy 5.5.3            The County shall recycle or properly dispose of waste tires.
- Policy 5.5.4            The County shall coordinate the recycling of white goods.

**Goal #6 - Ensure proper management of hazardous wastes and materials used and generated in and transported through the County.**

**Hazardous Waste Management**

- Objective 6.1 As indicated in the analysis over 1,000,000 pounds of hazardous waste produced in the County is improperly managed. Over 500,000 pounds are disposed of in the landfill. To reverse this trend, the County shall continue existing and implement new programs to reduce improper hazardous waste disposal.
- Policy 6.1.1 The County shall maintain a hazardous waste screening program at the Central Landfill during the planning period.
- Policy 6.1.2 All nonresidential development plans shall be analyzed to determine if appropriate provisions for hazardous waste management are included.
- Policy 6.1.3 Nonresidential establishments that generate hazardous waste shall be required to meet all State and Federal reporting requirements.
- Policy 6.1.4 The County shall implement an environmental review process to ensure proper management of hazardous materials.
- Policy 6.1.5 The County shall maintain the hazardous waste collection center at the Central Landfill.
- Policy 6.1.6 Household hazardous waste collection days shall be conducted on an on-going basis.
- Policy 6.1.7 Reserved.
- Policy 6.1.8 The County shall pursue state funding to improve solid waste management objectives.
- Policy 6.1.9 The County shall ensure that all hazardous waste management programs are well publicized.
- Policy 6.1.10 Citrus County shall assist the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council or its successor in function in conducting their hazardous waste survey and verification program.
- Policy 6.1.11 Any nonresidential establishment that stores in bulk containers any hazardous material or hazardous waste shall post in a conspicuous place, easily seen by first responders, a National Fire Protection

Association (NFPA) 704 hazardous warning system or a comparable OSHA acceptable labeling system.

**Hazardous Materials Accident Management**

- Objective 6.2            Maintain a Hazardous Materials Accident Management (HAZ-MAT) program to protect County residents and businesses in the event of a hazardous material spill.
  
- Policy 6.2.1            Conduct an inventory and inspection of all nonresidential establishments that produce and/or use hazardous materials or biohazardous waste.
  
- Policy 6.2.2            The County shall continue to provide funding and personnel for a HAZ-MAT team.
  
- Policy 6.2.3            The County shall require all nonresidential establishments to comply with State and Federal hazardous reporting requirements.
  
- Policy 6.2.4            The County shall maintain a Hazardous Materials Accident Management Plan that is consistent with the State Hazardous Materials Accident Management Plan.