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Changes to the Town's Solid Waste Program including **Trash and Recycling Schedule**

Dear Residents,

The Town of Centreville recently received competitive bids for garbage removal and recycling services, and has awarded the new contract to Bates Trucking. This new contract will enable the Town to expand the current recycling program, thereby reducing landfill costs by diverting waste from trash pickup to a new single-stream curbside recycling program.

When does it start? As part of this new contract, **both trash and recycling collection will take place on Wednesdays beginning September 8, 2010.**

What is single stream recycling? Single stream recycling allows customers to put all their recyclables together in one or more containers for pickup, without having to sort them. The Town's current pilot curbside recycling program requires sorting 5 or more kinds of recyclables.

Will the Town provide containers? The Town will provide each customer with a green 18 gallon recycling bin. However, you may designate your own container by clearly marking it as **RECYCLING or put a large, bright X on the side**, or purchase a container or cart that will best meet your needs. Hopefully, as you expand the number of items you recycle, you will find that you no longer need as many trash cans and can designate one or more for recycling.

What can I recycle? A more detailed flyer on this will be distributed and on the Town's web site. Please keep it as a reference. You can recycle glass containers, plastic numbers 1 & 2, metal cans, and cardboard. In addition, the Town's new program will also allow more items to be recycled including plastic toys, paperboard, mail, and plastic items with numbers 3 through 7.

What's next? If you are already recycling, please continue to do so using your green 18 gallon container, but starting September 8 there is no need to separate recyclables. If you're not already recycling, the town will provide you with an 18 gallon recycling bucket, during the week of 8/31

Dates to remember:

- **Monday, August 30, 2010** Last Monday trash pickup under the current contract
- **Tuesday, August 31, 2010** Last Tuesday recycling pickup (current recycling customers)
Beginning August 31, recycling bins will be delivered to customers who are not in the Town's current recycling program. There will be no trash pickup September 1 nor September 6 and no recycling pickup on September 7.
- **Wednesday, September 8, 2010** Wednesday trash and recycling pickup begins. Please leave a gap in the placement of your trash can(s) and recycling container(s) at the curb to help the drivers distinguish the two separate pickups that day. If you're using your own recycling container, please clearly mark it as such by painting the word "RECYCLING" or by painting a large, bright "X" in a prominent place.

If you have questions about this program please contact Tara Lewis at Bates Trucking, (301) 773-2069 or TLewis@BatesTrucking.com or Town Hall by phone or by email: TownHall@TownofCentreville.org. Please retain this letter for future reference – or place it in your recycling container!

Sincerely,

The Town Council of Centreville