

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Route 519 South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 401-21

On a motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 8, 2021.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE WARREN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN TO REMOVE THE RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY LOCATED AT 218 MT. PISGAH AVENUE ON BLOCK 26 LOTS 88, 88.01, AND 89 IN OXFORD TOWNSHIP AND REMOVE A CLASS C RECYCLING FACILITY LOCATED AT 40 FOUL RIFT ROAD ON BLOCK 21, LOT 11 IN WHITE TOWNSHIP AND REVISE THE SHORT AND LONG TERM DISPOSAL STRATEGY FOR THE DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE GENERATED WITHIN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE REGARDING THE RECONFIGURATION AND CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DISTRICT LANDFILL

WHEREAS, the Resource Recovery Facility located in Oxford Township at 218 Mt. Pisgah Avenue on Block 26, Lots 88, 88.01, and 89, owned by Covanta Energy, functioned as a regional market facility for the disposal of ID 10 waste generation within Warren County and outside of Warren County; and

WHEREAS, Covanta Energy ceased accepting all waste on March 2, 2019, and closed operations in accordance with a Mothball Plan that was submitted to and approved by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and

WHEREAS, over the past two years, the Resource Recovery Facility had no active or productive role in the management of I.D. 10 waste generated within Warren County; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Regulations at N.J.A.C. 7:26 - 6.11(b)7 provides for the deletion of a facility not in operation for more than two years, the Warren County is deleting the RRF from its Solid Waste Management Plan; and .

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 7:26 - 6.10(b)9, requires that the County formally amend its Solid Waste Management Plan as the removal of the Resource Recovery Facility, owned by Covanta Energy, affects the County's short and long term disposal strategy; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County District Landfill is included in the Warren County Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) and has approved for expansion in a previous SWMP amendment adopted by the Board of County Chosen Freeholders on September 27, 2017 and certified by the Commissioner of NJDEP dated March 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the expansion is projected to extend the life of the landfill until the year 2061; and

WHEREAS, while the landfill expansion is under construction, the short term disposal strategy for ID 10 waste generated within Warren County is to dispose of the waste at the transfer stations located in Hunterdon County or Somerset County or to transport the waste to any other permitted disposal site with the State of New Jersey or outside of the State; and

WHEREAS, the long term strategy will be for all permitted types of waste types generated within Warren County to be disposed of at the Warren County District Landfill when the expansion becomes available and all contractual restrictions between the Pollution Control Financing Authority and Covanta are resolved; and

WHEREAS, language concerning the reconfiguration and consolidation of lots formerly designated as landfill properties and offered for donation to the NJDEP needs to be clarified; and

WHEREAS, the Class C Recycling Center, located at 40 Foul Rift Road, on Block 21, Lot 11 in White Township, formerly owned by Natures Choice Corporation, has had its operating permit revoked and terminated by the NJDEP, and has not been in operation for over two years; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Regulations at N.J.A.C. 7:26 - 6.11(b)7 provides for the deletion of a facility not in operation for more than two years, the Warren County is deleting Class C Recycling Center, formerly operated by Natures Choice from its Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Solid Waste Advisory Council discussed the modification at its July 2, 2021 meeting and recommended the proposed amendments with minor revisions to the County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the County held a public hearing on the proposed Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment at the Oxford Township Municipal Building on September 1, 2021 wherein members of the public were invited to share questions and comments relative to the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners presided over a second public hearing on the proposed Solid Waste Plan Amendments on September 8, 2021 in the Warren County Commissioners Meeting Room to further solicit questions and comments from the public on the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners determines that it is in the interest of the County of Warren to address the County's future disposal needs by deleting the Resource Recovery Facility, owned by Covanta Energy and deleting the Class C Recycling Center, formerly operated by Natures Choice from its Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the sections of the Solid Waste Management Plan that are modified are the Introduction, Section 2: Existing Solid Waste Facilities, Section 6: Collection/Haul Analysis, a portion of Section 7: Recycling, and Section 8: Solid Waste Disposal Strategy.

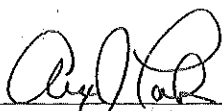
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners hereby amends the Warren County Solid Management Plan as provided in the attached Warren County Solid Waste Management Plan dated July 2, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioner Director, County Administrator, County Planner/Solid Waste Coordinator and County Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to draft, execute and deliver any and all papers, documents, instruments and other writings and to take and cause to be done any and all actions necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and consummate the County Solid Waste Management Plan amendment authorized hereunder.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and copies of this resolution be sent to all Warren County municipalities, the Pollution Control Financing Authority, and the Warren County Health Department.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.



Alex J. Lazorisak

_____, Clerk

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