

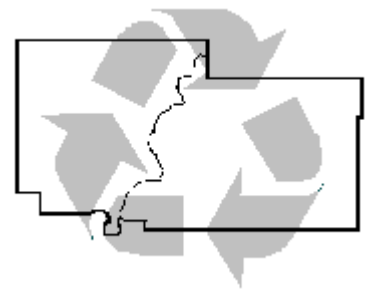
# Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department 2010 Annual Report

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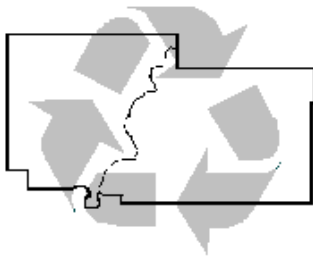
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*Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, & Rethink!*

**TO THE RESIDENTS OF OGLE COUNTY**

Each year I try to highlight the many activities which the Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department accomplished to reduce waste, increase recycling, enforce solid waste laws and regulations, and provide safe disposal options for county residents. This annual report outlines the activities for 2010. As always, we appreciate the support of residents and the Ogle County Board for the programs and services we provide.

Our free *Ogle County Waste Disposal & Recycling "Green Guide"* is available to residents. The Green Guide provides a wealth of resources and information on recycling and waste disposal options in Ogle County. Contact us to receive a free copy or check it out on our website at [www.oglecountysolidwaste.org](http://www.oglecountysolidwaste.org).

Due to continued State of Illinois and County fiscal cut-backs, only one major collection event was held in 2010 to provide safe disposal options for electronic waste. This event was co-sponsored by Lee County. Our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Program again involved many businesses, youth groups, and local units of government working together to recycle Christmas trees throughout the county.

For the seventh year, our Business Recycling Recognition Program recognized the efforts of county businesses, schools, and other agencies to recycle some of the waste that they generate. In 2010, 45 entities participated in the program.

I believe these programs, events, and efforts help to make Ogle County a great place to live. I appreciate the efforts of Ogle County residents that have made waste reduction, recycling and safe waste disposal a part of their everyday life. Your efforts do make a difference! Please feel free to contact us with any questions or suggestions. I look forward to serving Ogle County in the coming year.

Sincerely,

*Stephen J. Ryphoma*, Director

**OGLE COUNTY DROP-OFF RECYCLING PROGRAM**

The OCSWMD continued to maintain five drop-off recycling sites (Byron, Forreston, Monroe Center, Oregon and Rochelle) and assists with promotion of two other private sites (Moring in Polo and Veolia Orchard Hills Landfill in Davis Junction.)

In 2010, the sites collected about 1,856,000 pounds (928Tons) of materials for recycling, a decrease of 4 tons from 2009. This decrease may be caused by reduced consumption by residents due to tough economic times. This program continues to be very popular among county residents.

**ANNUAL RECYCLING SURVEY**

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency requires Illinois counties to report their municipal waste recycling rates on an annual basis. Our department mails surveys to businesses and schools in the county. Based on the information received, the

municipal waste recycled in 2010 increased by 2% to an estimated 35% of the waste generated in the county. Thank you, Ogle County residents and businesses, for continuing to recycle a significant portion of your waste.

**ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION EFFORTS**

The OCSWMD maintains an educational library consisting of books, videos, and curriculum for county residents, schools, and businesses to use. New books, videos and reference materials are added each year.

DVD's and books were provided to elementary schools, middle schools, high schools and public libraries throughout the county. They were given the opportunity to select a book or DVD from an age appropriate listing. These donated books and DVD's stressed the importance of recycling, composting, environmental changes and how our actions affect the environment.

To help promote Earth Day and environmental education in Ogle County, the Department sponsored 15 grade schools and middle school performances by award-winning musician, author, and story teller, Steve Schuch to some of the schools in the county. His musical repertoire taught kids the importance of taking responsibility for the environment.

**Business Recycling Recognition Program**

For the seventh year, businesses, schools, and other entities were recognized for their recycling efforts. Those that responded to our annual recycling survey that recycled at least 3 materials were recognized in paid display ads in local papers, and with a door sticker that states "Recognized by Ogle County for our Recycling Efforts." Forty-five businesses, schools, and agencies participated in 2010.

In addition, classroom presentations, educational supplies such as recycled pencils, activity booklets and book marks were provided to many students & teachers. Donations of educational

**IEPA ENFORCEMENT GRANT AND DELEGATION AGREEMENT**

Ogle County maintained its Delegation Agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in 2010. This agreement allows the OCSWMD to enforce State solid waste laws and regulations in Ogle County. The IEPA provided an enforcement grant to off-set some of the costs incurred. The grant amount for 2010 (State Fiscal Year 2011) remained at

\$56,313 or about 48% of enforcement-related expenditures. The grant and agreement require a minimum of 100 inspections/investigations of landfills and open dump sites per year. The following table shows the types and number of inspections conducted in 2010, compared with the previous two years.

Complaints and Inspections: 2008 - 2010							
Number of Complaints filed by Type	2008 2009 2010			Number of Inspections Conducted	2008 2009 2010		
	Illegal Dumps	13	18		22	Permitted Landfills	37
Waste Burning Violations	10	16	12	Open Dump/Burning/Other	27	50	32
				Other Grant Related Activities	1	12	13
Nuisance/Other	24	25	17	Waste Removed and Properly Disposed from Illegal Dump Sites (cubic yards)	272	306	185
Total # Complaints	47	59	51	Administrative Citation Fines Paid	\$1,930	\$325	\$ 3430

Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department Fiscal Year 2010 Financial Statement (December 1, 2009 - November 30, 2010)				
		FY2008	FY2009	FY2010
<u>Revenues</u>	Landfill Host Fees	3,520,568	3,548,480	3,615,037.74
	Interest	146,283	84,909	95,596.34
	IEPA Enforcement Grant	56,310	56,324	56,313.82
	Recycling Income	23,013	309	5,273.61
	Fines/Restitution	1,930	325	3,430.00
	Misc. Income	5,909	1,271	8,251.35
	Transfers repayment for Oregon Park District Bonds	787,000	-	-
	<b>Total Revenues:</b>	\$ 4,541,014	\$ 3,691,619	\$ 3,783,902.86
<u>Expenditures/Transfers</u>	Salaries & Wages	108,448	125,862	125,557.46
	Fringe Benefits	30,422	34,430	34,058.39
	Supplies, Equipment, Postage	8,287	5,497	5,508.60
	Telecommunications	2,174	2,348	2,418.56
	Contractual Services	19,265	9,682	25,418.44
	Travel & Training Expenses	2,807	27,396*	2,077.50
	SW Reduction/Recycling/Collection Programs	75,834	82,835	74,097.26
	County Grants	22,657	22,150	14,219.12
	<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	\$ 269,895	\$ 310,200	\$ 283,355.32
	Host Fee Payments to Other Units of Government		\$ 125,048	\$67,105.01
	Transfers to Long Range Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 3,280,778	\$ 3,086,140	\$ 3,173,617.08
	Transfers for Oregon Park District Municipal Bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total Expenditures + Transfers:</b>	\$ 3,550,673	\$ 3,521,388	\$ 3,524,348.32

\*New truck purchase

**Special Collection Events**

1) Our 11<sup>th</sup> **Annual Electronics Recycling Event**, co-sponsored by Lee County, was held in Oregon in October. A number of households participated (902) by bringing in 151,261 pounds (almost 76 Tons of computers, TVs, and other electronics) to be recycled. This event was held at the Old Farm Service Facility, Oregon, IL.

2) The 13<sup>th</sup> **Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Program** was co-sponsored by park districts, FFA groups and local businesses. The 2010/2011 program collected 718 trees which were chipped and made available to the public for mulch. Since the program began, a total of 266 tons of trees have been chipped and diverted from local landfills.

**GRANTS AWARDED**

The OCSWMD was able to provide grants totaling \$14,219 in 2010. Waste Reduction & Recycling grants up to \$2000 are offered to businesses, schools and other organizations which must provide 20% matching funds. Clean-Up Day grants up to \$2,000 are offered to townships and municipalities which must provide 50% matching funds. These grants included:

**Waste Reduction/Recycling Grants:**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church Youth Group**, \$125.14, for the purchase of indoor and outdoor recycling bins, a can crusher, and liners.

**Faith Christian School**, \$180.64, for the purchase of fourteen – 14 gallon recycling bins, and DVDs on recycling.

**Byron Forest Preserve District**, \$1,423.20 for the purchase of stickers, wrist bands, and educational books.

**Camp White Eagle**, \$1,044.68, for the purchase of indoor and outdoor recycling containers and compost bin.

**Clean-UP Day Grants:**

The following communities applied for and received grants as shown to conduct clean up days in their respective areas:

Adeline:	\$ 427.45
Forward Oregon:	\$ 500.00
Leaf River:	\$ 647.20
Monroe Township:	\$ 2,000.00
Rochelle:	\$ 1,370.81
Stillman Valley:	\$ 2,000.00

**Other Grants:**

For the eighth year the OCSWMD provided a grant to the Lee and Ogle County Soil & Water Conservation Districts for Outdoor Stewardship Days. The amount for 2010 was \$3,500. Over 1,100 third grade students from Lee and Ogle Counties were provided hands-on resource conservation, outdoor and environmental education activities. Staff provided recycling information & activities at this event.

The Illinois Renewable Energy Association received \$1,000 towards sponsorship of the 2010 Renewable Energy Fair held at the Ogle County Fairgrounds.

Please contact us for more information on any of the topics included in this Annual Report.  
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**“Think Globally, Act Locally”**

A limited number of 'earth-friendly' items are available for sale at the OCSWMD:  
Earth Machine Composters - \$40; Worm Bins w/ worms - \$54; Ogle County "Green Guides" and other info - FREE!