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DATE: November 6, 2023
TO: Wade Bryson, Chair, Public Works and Facilities Committee
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SUBJECT: Solid Waste Update & Juneau's Waste 101

Project Updates

Waste Characterization Study:

A contractor has been selected (Cascadia Consultant Group out of Seattle, WA), and contract negotiations are underway. *Projected date of completion: Late June 2024*

Pumpkin Composting Drop-Off:

RecycleWorks is partnering with Juneau Composts! again this year to provide free composting for pumpkins at the recycling center. Pumpkins without candles and decorations can be dropped off during normal operating hours from November 1st – 15th. The flyer is attached.

November 2nd JCOS Sustainability Session on Composting:

JCOS held a Sustainability Session on Composting on November 2nd, 2023. Panelists included Cer Scott with Tlingit & Haida, Lisa Daugherty with Juneau Composts!, and Dianna Robinson, Environmental Project Specialist with CBJ Engineering & Public Works Department.

Source Control/FOG Reduction Mailer

The Water & Wastewater Utilities will send out a mailer in November with an attached magnet with a reminder to residents that they can bring fats, oils, and grease to the household hazardous waste facility for recycling.

Next Up:

- Comment Period for Municipal Compost Facility EPA Environmental Review (NEPA Review)
 - o Date TBD (sometime in November).
 - o Part of the process to receive the \$2.5 million in Congressionally Directed Spending from Sen. Lisa Murkowski for the Municipal Compost Facility.
- RecycleWorks end-of-year informational mailer (est. January 2024).
 - o Will include information on diversion rates in 2023 as well as what is and isn't accepted at the recycling center.
 - o Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) will have a separate flier later in 2024.

Juneau's Waste 101 (see attached slide)

CBJ owns/controls neither the waste-hauling nor the landfill.

- Alaska Waste is the sole waste hauler and is responsible for curbside recycling.
- Waste Management owns the landfill.
- CBJ has a recycling program, a Junk Vehicle recycling program, and a household hazardous waste program.



THE GREAT PUMPKIN DROP-OFF



**ALL PUMPKINS WILL
BE COMPOSTED BY
JUNEAU COMPOSTS!**

**NO CANDLES,
DECORATIONS, OR
PAINTED PUMPKINS**



NOVEMBER 1 - 15

AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

TUES-FRI 7:00AM TO 4:30PM

SATURDAY 8:00AM TO 4:30PM

5600 TONSGARD CT.

FREE!

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**JUNEAU
COMPOSTS**
COMMUNITY ORGANICS RECYCLING



CITY AND BOROUGH OF
JUNEAU
ALASKA'S CAPITAL CITY

Juneau's Waste 101

Service*

Waste Hauling

Hauls waste and curbside recycling to landfill



Landfill

Accepts waste



Local government
Recycling Center / Junk Vehicle
Household Hazardous Waste



Provider

Regulated By

Regulatory Commission
Of Alaska (RCA)

State: Alaska Department of
Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Federal: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA)

Specific ADEC or EPA
regulations apply
situationally

*In addition to the listed services, Juneau Composts! accepts food, yard waste, and other organics;
Skookum Sales & Recycling and D&S Recycling accepts scrap metals

Thursday Nov 2nd from 7pm - 8pm
at the Mendenhall Valley Library or on Zoom

JUNEAU SUSTAINABILITY SESSIONS:

COMPOSTING IN JUNEAU

Why compost?

How does Juneau compost today?

How can we broaden participation and access?

Join the Juneau Commission on Sustainability on Nov 2nd for a free community knowledge sharing session and Q&A.



Photo by Mary Jane Duford



With Lisa Daugherty, Owner of Juneau Composts
Dianna Robinson, Environmental Science Specialist, City & Borough of Juneau
Cer Scott, Environmental Specialist, Tlingit & Haida
Facilitated by Nick Waldo, JCOS Solid Waste Subcommittee Chair

RSVP to join the zoom at Facebook.com/SustainableJuneau
For more details, visit Juneau.org/engineering-public-works/jcos or contact JCOS at jcos@juneau.org





FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT **FOG**



SCAN HERE!

CALL 907-586-0393 OR VISIT
JUNEAU.ORG/SOURCE-CONTROL

THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING



YOU REMEMBERED
THE TURKEY...

BUT DID YOU
REMEMBER **FOG**?

FATS, OILS, AND GREASE (**FOG**) DAMAGE AND
CLOG YOUR PIPES AND THE SEWER SYSTEM,
WHICH MEANS GREATER COSTS TO YOU, AND THE
CITY!

Mailer

TIPS TO REDUCE **F**ATS **O**ILS **G**REASE **BUILDUP**

POUR COOKING OIL AND GREASE INTO A
HEAT-SAFE CONTAINER, SEAL IT, AND THROW IT
AWAY OR BRING IT TO HHW *

SCRAPE AND WIPE ALL POTS, PANS, AND DISHES
WITH A PAPER TOWEL PRIOR TO WASHING TO
ABSORB GREASE AND OIL

DITCH USING THE GARBAGE DISPOSAL!
USE A SINK STRAINER AND EMPTY IT INTO THE
TRASH OR COMPOST BIN



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION
OR CALL THE UTILITIES DIVISION
AT 907-586-0393

*HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE



Magnet