

Saturday, August 1, 2015 will be the last day of operation for the Bristol Landfill.

On Saturday, August 8, 2015 you will still be able to go to the landfill, but you will be dealing directly with the drop-off hauler, R & L Rubbish. They will be at the landfill from 8 am to noon every Saturday. There will no longer be a Tuesday trash pick-up at the landfill.

R & L Rubbish's Rate Schedule:

Trash:

30 gallon bag of 0 – 30 lbs	\$4/bag
45 gallon bag of 31 – 40 lbs	\$5/bag

Recycling:

45 gallon bag of 0 – 40 lbs FREE with bag of trash	
30 gallon bag of 0 – 30 lbs	\$2/bag for residential recycling without a bag of trash
45 gallon bag of 31 – 40 lbs	\$3/bag for business recycling without a bag of trash

No Charge Waste you can bring to R & L:

Batteries, Metal, Fluorescent Bulbs (up to 4 per person), Appliances (metal furnace, washer, dryer, water heater, stove, dishwasher, microwave with no pcb's, and any other appliances without Freon.

R&L Rubbish is a zero sort hauler (you no longer need to separate newspaper and cardboard) and they will accept cash.

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Town of Bristol Landfill

Information regarding the closing of the Town Landfill and joining Addison County Solid Waste Management District (ACSWMD).

Please attend the Monday, August 10th or Monday, August 24th Selectboard meetings to learn more about the closing of the landfill and the vote to join ACSWMD.

For more information, check out our website at www.bristolvt.org, stop by or call the Town Office at 453-2410.

**Please vote
Tuesday, August 25,
2015 at Holley Hall
from
9 am to 7 pm.**

Absentee ballots are available by stopping by the Town Office to vote, take one home, or call to have one mailed to you.

The Tuesday, August 25th vote will be two questions.

The first question is, **“Shall the voters of the Town of Bristol enter into an Admission Agreement with the Addison County Solid Waste Management District (ACSWMD) as approved by the Selectboard at their Monday, July 6, 2015 meeting?”** (Copies of the Admission Agreement are on file at the Town Clerk’s office and copies are available to the public upon request and at the Town website at www.bristolvt.org.)

The second question is, **“Shall the Town of Bristol join the Addison County Solid Waste Management District?”**

The Admission Agreement and a vote to join, allows Bristol residents to be full members of the ACSWMD and offers the following benefits:

- Household hazardous waste is accepted Monday thru Friday 8 am to Noon and Saturday 9 am to 1 pm at their facility located at 1223 Route 7 South in Middlebury at no charge.

-They will accept food waste, reusable construction materials, most e-waste (computers, televisions, etc.), batteries, books and appliances with no CFC’s at no charge.

-They grind all clean wood to make a garden friendly mulch product you may take away for free at certain times of the year.

-They accept leaves, grass clippings and small twigs for \$1/per load, and this material is composted.

-ACSWMD accepts cash, checks and credit cards (MC, Visa and AMEX).

Please be advised, you may contract with a private hauler to pick up your trash and recycling at home. You may find a list of certified ACSWMD haulers on their website at www.addisoncountyrecycles.org. You may also contact ACSWMD directly at 388-2333.

Recent Landfill History

On August 1, 2014, the Town of Bristol received a Notice of Alleged Violation from the Agency of Natural Resources for the following issues: Failure to accrue enough funds to close the landfill. Failure to submit required reports regarding the financial condition of the landfill, an updated closure plan and a waste stream certification report. Failure to maintain daily cover, as there was one area of the landfill where older waste had been exposed over time. Alterations to the south slope had been made without prior approval of ANR, resulting in some destabilization of that bank.

Audited numbers for the June 30, 2014 fiscal year show the cost to taxpayers for recycling was \$35,115.22. In the same fiscal year, the landfill lost \$39,280.28.

At this time, the Selectboard feels that closing the landfill and joining ACSWMD is the best thing for Bristol. With increased regulations of ACT 148 regarding food waste, leaf and yard debris and clean wood, the Bristol Landfill cannot withstand another financial burden.

On Monday, June 8, 2015 the Selectboard signed a Letter of Understanding with Casella Construction for \$720,000 to close the landfill.

On Monday, June 22, 2015 the Selectboard awarded the engineering bid to close the landfill to Green Mountain Engineering.

Casella Construction will start full time on August 3, 2015 and plans to have the landfill closed per the closure plan and ANR standards by November 2015.

Current Landfill Finances

The landfill closure fund currently has a balance of \$636,420.47. The engineering contract and cost to hire Casella Construction total \$747,819, leaving us with a shortfall of \$111,398.53.

The Selectboard has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Vermont. The State is agreeing to include up to \$180,000 in the Capital Budget to off-set the closure costs. Bristol will be awarded money, if the Legislature votes to keep the money in the budget. If they do not, the Town will need to borrow the money.

The Selectboard has worked diligently with ANR, our local State Representatives and Casella Construction to close the landfill in the most fiscally and environmentally sound way.