
Section I - INTRODUCTION

A. PLAN APPROVAL DATE, COUNTIES IN DISTRICT, AND PLANNING PERIOD

1. *Currently approved plan:*

Date of approval:	2000
Counties within District:	Mahoning
Years in planning period:	15

2. *Plan to be implemented with approval of this document*

Counties within district:	Mahoning
Reference Year for this Plan:	2003
Years in planning period:	17
Year 1 of planning period:	2006

B. REASONS FOR PLAN SUBMITTAL

This Plan submittal is the mandatory five-year plan update.

C. PROCESS TO DETERMINE MATERIAL CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCES

1. *Criteria for Determining Material Change*

In accordance with ORC 3734.56(D), the Plan must be revised, if the Board of County Commissioners i.e. Board of Directors of the District) have determined that "circumstances have materially changed from those addressed in the approved initial or amended plan of the District." The following criteria will be used to determine if a material change in circumstances has occurred in the district, which may require a revision of the approved Plan.

- Change in the solid waste management facilities designated by the Plan. For example, while the addition of a facility to the designated list need not be a material change, the replacement of a designated facility by another facility would be a material change.
- Change in waste generation. (i.e., If the per capita waste generation in the district changes significantly.)
A significant waste generation per capita for the District would be 25% increase or greater in terms of pounds per person per day. Although the designated landfills can handle a change in waste generation from the District, an increase in out-of-state waste may be considered a circumstance that determines a material change.
- Change in the capacity available for disposal, transfer, composting etc. For example, if the available disposal capacity in any year of the planning period decreases significantly from that projected in the Plan, it may be necessary to plan for the additional capacity required to serve the District for the remainder of the planning period and beyond.
- Change in Strategies for waste reduction and/or recycling. Changes in several strategies for waste reduction and/or recycling that could result in a failure of the District's continued compliance with the "access" goal would constitute a material change. These include a decline

of population or other factors effecting the availability of curbside collection provided through the BFI Carbon Limestone contract; a loss of the availability of dropoff facilities which drops this number below 22; or if “Access” drops to 90% or below.

- Change in the availability of revenues for plan implementation. A significant shortfall in the revenues available for plan implementation would be a cause for plan revision. This would lead toward program modifications and/or increased tipping fees. A minimum loss of 20% of District revenues would warrant immediate action by the Policy Committee and Board.
- Change in the procedures to be followed for plan implementation.
- Change in the timetable for implementation of programs and/or activities.

2. *Monitoring Procedure*

The District’s Board of Directors (the Board) and the solid waste coordinator (Director, Solid Waste Management District) will review and monitor the changes indicated above by looking for indicators such as:

- Increased/decreased waste quantity received at the landfill as indicated by the monthly landfill reports. (Red Flag: Loss of 20%)
- Significant decrease in remaining capacity in Districts designated facilities. (Red Flag: Drop to less than 15 years of capacity remaining)
- Annual records of waste quantity disposed at the landfills used by the District and located in the District. (Red Flag: 50% increase without increased permit capacity)
- Waste quantity generated, recycled, and disposed by the industries as indicated by the industrial reports.
- Revenues obtained at the disposal facilities and their impact on collection of District fees. (Red Flag: Loss of 20%)
- Residential and commercial waste quantities accepted for recycling by local recycling activities. (Red Flag: Loss of 25%)

The Solid Waste Coordinator will review all of the above-bulleted items weekly. The Solid Waste Coordinator will then update the Policy Committee on a monthly basis of the undertakings and activities. During the monthly review, trends may be recognized that may indicate a material change has occurred. Also, the Board is updated every other month (six times per year) during the policy meetings in which a review of all monthly reports are discussed. The Solid Waste Coordinator will prepare necessary data for the Policy Committee to perform a comprehensive annual review in February of each year of the planning period. This is a special meeting in which all programs and activities will be thoroughly discussed and evaluated with specific recommendations made by the committee for the coordinator’s analysis which may result in subsequent action. The primary concentration is plan implementation.

In addition, the Solid Waste Coordinator has ways of monitoring activities other than reviewing the reports, such as meetings and correspondence with several other entities. These other entities include and are involved with the following:

- Landfill sub-committee hold discussions at the policy meetings
- Board of Health provides inspections and these reports are available for District review

- Monthly reports from the recyclers and brokers
- Monthly reports from facilities required per ordinance (passed in 2005) to monitor their scrap metal,
- The District is routinely in contact with facility owners
- Board of Commissioners

3. *Timetable for Analyzing the Determination*

Within thirty days after the Board makes a determination that a material change has occurred, the Board will call a meeting of the Policy Committee to analyze the change. The Board, after analyzing all factors affecting the change, will decide whether a material change has occurred in the circumstances addressed in the approved plan. The Board has the final responsibility for determining a material change of circumstances.

4. *Notification Procedure*

After the Policy Committee has decided that a material change has occurred, the Board will notify the municipal corporations, townships and Ohio EPA of its intention to revise the Plan because of material change in the circumstances from those addressed in the approved Plan. The notification will explain in detail the change or changes which led to the decision.

Also, once the Board has made the determination of a material change in circumstances, the Board shall request the Committee to prepare a draft amended plan. In accordance with ORC 3734.55 (A-C), the Committee is responsible to prepare an amended plan update and proceed to adopt and obtain approval of the amended plan.

D. DISTRICT FORMATION AND CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

On December 21, 1988, the Board of Mahoning County Commissioners passed a resolution, entered on pages 541-542 (vol. 76) of the Commissioners' Journal, establishing the Mahoning County Solid Waste Management District. A copy of this resolution has been included in Appendix A. The District was formed under the mandates of House Bill 592 of the 117th General Assembly to prepare and implement a plan for the safe and sanitary management of solid waste disposed of within the District for the minimum 10-year period required by the legislation.

The following documents are submitted in the appendices as listed below:

Appendix	Documents
A	Resolution for District Formation
B	Public notices and comments.
C	Certification Statements, resolutions of the policy committee adopting the plan prior to ratification and certifying that the plan has been properly ratified, list of all political jurisdictions voting on the Plan, resolutions of all political jurisdictions.
D	Identification of consultants retained for Plan preparation.
E	District map.
F	Industrial Survey results.
G	Documentation of provision of services and capacity
H	District Designated Facilities
I	Resolution of the Mahoning County General Health District

E. POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Anthony Traficanti	Chairman
Jay Williams	Mayor
Harold Moore	Trustee
Matthew A. Stefanak	Health Commissioner
Dr. Joe Edwards	Public Member
Brian J. Mitchell	Citizen Member
Tom Yanko	Industrial Member

F. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The members of the Board of County Commissioners for Mahoning County comprise the Board of Directors for the Mahoning County Solid Waste Management District.

Anthony Traficanti	<i>President</i> , Board of Mahoning County Commissioners
	<i>Chairman</i> , Mahoning County Solid Waste Management District, Policy Committee
John McNally	<i>Commissioner</i>
David Ludt	<i>Commissioner</i>

G. DISTRICT ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER

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H. TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND OTHER SUBCOMMITTEES

To encourage citizen involvement early in the planning process, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) recommended that the District Solid Waste Management Policy Committee foster public input through a Technical Advisory Council (TAC). If established, the TAC must include a representative from the solid waste hauling and disposal industry and may include members representing health commissioners having jurisdiction within the District, political subdivisions within the District, environmental advocacy organizations, industrial generators of solid waste as well as other members, which comprise a broad based, diverse representation. At this time the District has not established a Technical Advisory Council.