



June 2, 2011

Board of Public Works  
City of Menasha  
Menasha, WI 54952

RE: Winnebago County Recycling Surplus Revenue Ballots for 2010 Funds

Members of the Board:

Winnebago County has established the surplus commodity revenue amounts for the 2010 operating year. For 2010, there is surplus revenue of \$330,887, of which the City of Menasha's portion is approximately \$36,130.

The City of Menasha and other Winnebago County participating municipalities are governed by an agreement with Winnebago County relative to the use of surplus revenue from its recycling operations. The decision whether the surplus revenue should be rebated to the signing municipalities or held for future recycling tipping fee stabilization is made by the municipalities representing 70% of the total population of the signing municipalities.

In the past, the City of Menasha has voted to rebate the funds some years and to hold the funds some years. It seems the decision was mainly determined from the City's financial condition at the time and on the amount of the expected rebate. This year, the City is faced with a reduction in the projected recycling grant funds due to the State's reduced level of grant awards for 2011 (see attached information). The City of Menasha will be receiving approximately \$36,000 less than our 2010 award and 2011 Budget amount. Based on that loss of revenue, I recommend the City cast a ballot to refund the recycling revenue surplus of \$330,887 to signing municipalities based upon each municipality's actual tonnage processed and sold for year 2010. Be mindful that the ultimate decision is controlled by the prevailing ballot representing 70% of the total population of the signing municipalities.

Sincerely,

Mark Radtke  
Director of Public Works

Enclosures

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**DATE:** May 13, 2011  
**TO:** Contracted Responsible Units  
**FROM:** Jennifer Semrau - Recycling Specialist  
**RE:** April 2011 Scale Tickets & Tonnage Report

Enclosed are your recycling scale tickets for the month of April 2011. Check your tickets carefully for any errors and omissions. ***We need to be notified immediately of errors found or missing tickets so that we can correct the records.*** Your tonnage report is also enclosed. Review your ratios, pounds per person and how you compare to other units of similar size.

### Surplus Commodity Revenue Ballot Enclosed

Enclosed you will find the ballot addressing surplus commodity revenue from 2010. As you might recall from our Annual Meeting, commodity markets continue to be strong, so the County has no reason to recommend holding the surplus commodity revenue. Further, we recognize with the Department of Natural Resource's (DNR) decision to cut this year's recycling grants by 40%, municipalities will have budget shortfalls which this money can help address. Please consider this ballot at your next Board or Committee meeting and return to me by **July 15, 2011**. Feel free to contact me at (920) 232-1853 or [jsemrau@co.winnebago.wi.us](mailto:jsemrau@co.winnebago.wi.us) with any questions or concerns.

### City of Neenah Police Dept Launches Second Permanent Med Drop Box in Winnebago Co

On Saturday, April 30, City of Neenah Police Department celebrated the grand opening of their newly installed medication drop box. The box is located in the lobby of the Police Department, 2111 Marathon Ave., Neenah. The box is available for residents to properly dispose of medications 24 hours a day, seven days a week and was made possible by a donation from Morton Pharmacy. The other drop box in Winnebago County, located in Oshkosh, continues to be well utilized. Over 1,400 pounds of medications only (packaging removed) have been collected from the Oshkosh box, since its launch in April, 2010.

### Future of Recycling in the Biennial Budget Continues to be Debated

Winnebago County continues to track and participate in meetings/discussions with Legislators (including key members of the Joint Finance Committee) and the DNR on the future of recycling. While it seems likely due to broad support that recycling mandates will be restored, what level of financial assistance and other changes are still being debated. We continue to fight that the full \$7/ton 'recycling' tip fee surcharge should be used entirely for recycling. I will continue to provide updates as they become available.

**Reminder: Landfill and Transfer Station will be closed on Mon, 5/30 for Memorial Day**

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY  
SIGNING MUNICIPALITY RECYCLING SURPLUS REVENUE BALLOT FOR 2010 FUNDS  
MAY 12, 2011**

**ARTICLE IX  
FURTHER AMENDMENTS**

The County and the Signing Municipalities agree that this initial Agreement may be further amended and/or supplemented by written agreement of both the County and Signing Municipalities representing 70% of the total population of Signing Municipalities.

**ARTICLE VI  
FUNDING**

- B. The County shall have the right to collect any and all revenues from the sale of recycled materials processed by the County under this Agreement.
1. From the time of the County MRF's opening until December 31, 1994, said revenues from Signing Municipalities shall be applied to the cost of construction, purchase and operation for all structures, equipment and personnel required by the County to perform its obligations under the Agreement. In the event that revenues from Signing Municipality processing fees and material sales exceed the cost of program operation, the net profit shall be rebated after year's end to Municipalities signing this Agreement. Rebates shall be based upon each Municipality's actual tonnage processed during that calendar year.
  2. After January 1, 1995 the processing fee per ton shall be set to reflect the anticipated cost of services provided. The County shall hold revenue rebates from Signing Municipality material sold during the year 2010 in the amount of three hundred thirty thousand, eight hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$330,887.00) for future recycling tipping fee stabilization.

**Please check the appropriate box for your municipality's choice, sign and indicate individual title, date and return this ballot on or before July 15, 2011 (include a copy of your city, town or village resolution or a copy of the municipal board meeting minutes authorizing this vote).**

Winnebago County shall hold the recycling revenue surplus of \$330,887.00 in a fund for future recycling tipping fee stabilization based upon each Municipality's actual tonnage processed and sold for year 2010.

Winnebago County shall refund the recycling revenue surplus of \$330,887.00 to Signing Municipalities based upon each Municipality's actual tonnage processed and sold for year 2010.

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Signature

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Print Name

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Municipality

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Title

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Date Signed



## Legislative Fiscal Bureau

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April 19, 2011

TO: Members  
Wisconsin Legislature

FROM: Bob Lang, Director

SUBJECT: 2010 and 2011 State Recycling Grants to Municipalities and Counties

This memorandum provides information about state grants provided under the municipal and county recycling grant program. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) provides grants to responsible units of local government for a portion of eligible costs of operating recycling programs that meet specified criteria. A responsible unit (RU) is the local government that administers a recycling program for a geographic area. It can be a county, town, village, city, Indian tribe, solid waste management commission, or a RU comprised of two or more neighboring municipalities.

The municipal and county recycling grant program is funded from the segregated recycling and renewable energy fund. Responsible units receive a grant equal to the same percentage of the total grant funding as the responsible unit received, or would have received, in 1999.

In 2009-10, \$31,098,100 was appropriated for the program. DNR awarded \$29,294,198 to 1,025 responsible units. DNR awarded \$1.8 million less than the appropriated amount to meet part of DNR's obligation to transfer funds to the state's general fund under deficit reduction requirements of 2009-11 legislation.

In 2010-11, \$32,098,100 is appropriated for the program. On April 14, 2011, DNR notified 1,020 responsible units of preliminary awards totaling \$18,954,000. DNR awarded \$13,144,100 less than the appropriated amount to meet part of DNR's obligation to transfer funds to the state's general fund under deficit reduction requirements of 2009-11 legislation and to maintain a positive balance in the recycling fund. DNR will review and finalize grants and send final grant awards to responsible units by June 1, 2011. Based on DNR receipt of updated information from RUs, some 2011 final grant awards may vary from the preliminary awards shown in the attachment.

The attached table shows the municipal and county recycling grants awarded in 2010 (state

fiscal year 2009-10) and the preliminary awards for 2011 (2010-11). It should be noted that some of the listed responsible units of local government are multiple-member responsible units. For example, the listing for the Village of Albany in Green County represents the designated municipality for a responsible unit comprised of the Village of Albany and the Town of Albany. The Town of Dewey in Rusk County also includes the Town of Big Falls and the Village of Tony. Other multiple-municipality responsible units have names that differ from any of the component municipalities. For example, the Northwest Recycling Board in Wood County is comprised of the Towns of Cameron, Lincoln, Marshfield, Richfield, and Rock in Wood County, and the Town of McMillan in Marathon County.

The Governor's 2011-13 biennial budget bill (SB 27/AB 40) would eliminate the municipal and county recycling grant program, beginning in 2011-12 (calendar year 2012 for local programs). The bill would also repeal the requirement that local governments implement recycling programs. Finally, the bill would modify the 1995 landfill bans on landfilling certain materials (such as aluminum containers, newspaper, corrugated paper, office paper, and glass containers) so that no "individual" may place the banned materials in a container the contents of which will be disposed of in a landfill, converted into fuel, or burned at an incinerator. Currently, no "person" may dispose of the banned materials in a landfill, convert them into fuel, or burn them at an incinerator.

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Attachment

<u>County/Municipality</u>	<u>2010 Grant Award</u>	<u>2011 Preliminary Grant Award</u>
<b>Waukesha continued</b>		
Mukwonago, Village	\$34,370	\$22,221
Muskego, City	112,996	73,055
North Prairie, Village	8,347	5,397
Ottawa, Town	4,545	2,938
Sussex, Village	46,847	30,283
Vernon, Town	33,558	21,696
Waukesha County	1,352,034	874,122
<b>Waupaca</b>		
Mukwa, Town	7,309	4,725
Waupaca County	250,859	162,157
Weyauwega, City	5,859	3,788
<b>Waushara</b>		
Waushara County	124,949	80,668
Wild Rose, Village	8,576	5,545
<b>Winnebago</b>		
Algoma, Town	16,624	10,748
Black Wolf, Town	6,426	4,154
Clayton, Town	9,455	6,113
Menasha, City	101,641	65,713
Menasha, Town	84,768	54,804
Neenah, City	302,598	195,638
Neenah, Town	13,180	8,521
Nekimi, Town	3,837	2,481
Nepeuskun, Town	1,117	722
Omro, City	17,035	11,014
Omro, Town	4,196	2,713
Oshkosh, City	340,786	220,328
Oshkosh, Town	14,830	9,588
Poygan, Town	2,814	1,820
Rushford, Town	4,456	2,881
Utica, Town	4,470	2,890
Vinland, Town	4,164	2,692
Winchester, Town	3,119	2,017
Winneconne, Town	10,193	6,590
Winneconne, Village	12,310	7,959
Wolf River, Town	4,844	3,132
<b>Wood</b>		
Arpin, Town	832	538
Arpin, Village	1,769	1,144
Auburndale, Town	980	634
Auburndale, Village	3,749	2,424
Biron, Village	5,118	3,309
Cranmoor, Town	1,050	679
Grand Rapids, Town	17,559	11,353