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Madison County Department of Solid Waste Releases Updated Solid Waste Management Plan, Seeks Public Input

Canastota, NY – The Madison County Department of Solid Waste released a draft of the updated Local Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) that will focus on the next ten years (2021-2030) of solid waste disposal and recycling in Madison County. In the past, Madison County has prepared SWMPs to evaluate and execute an environmentally sound and economically feasible plan for handling solid waste generated within the County. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) requires local planning units to update and modify solid waste and recycling efforts prior to their expiration date; the current SWMP is set to expire at the end of 2020.

Since the inception of the first plan in 1990, the County has continued to meet the milestones outlined in the plan and incorporate new components to expand recycling efforts and divert solid waste from going into the landfill. The new SWMP focuses on the continuation of the main landfill disposal system, improvement of current recycling efforts for materials such as paper and containers through educational programming, and the handling of other items such as electronics and household hazardous waste through special programs. The County plans to expand on the past SWMP by concentrating on public education through targeted recycling campaigns, school presentations and backyard composting workshops.

Madison County residents and businesses are encouraged to review the plan and provide feedback. Public comments must be received by September 20, 2020. In addition, the Madison County Solid Waste Department will hold a Public Information Meeting on August 27, 2020 at 7:00 PM to briefly summarize the plan and accept public comments. The meeting will be held electronically via Zoom, however residents can also register to participate in-person. More information will be available on the Department of Solid Waste website. After the public comment period ends, the Solid Waste Department will finalize the draft plan and then submit it to the NYS DEC for review.

To access the draft plan and to learn more about the Public Information Meeting on August 27th, visit www.MadisonCountyRecycles.ny.gov or call the Solid Waste's main office at 315-361-8408. Public comments should be emailed to sw@madisoncounty.ny.gov or mailed to PO Box 27, Wampsville NY 13163. The deadline for the receipt of comments is September 20, 2020.

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