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RE: Public Information Meeting to review Madison County's
Draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan

A public information meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 19 in the Supervisor's Conference Room on the second floor of the County Office Bldg. in Wampsville, NY.

The information meeting is being held to present a draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (CSWMP) and to solicit input from the public regarding the County's long term plans.

Madison County has met the milestones outlined in the original 20-year Solid Waste Management Plan that expires in 2010. The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) requires all Solid Waste Planning Units to update and modify solid waste and recycling efforts prior to their expiration date and to review that plan with the general public prior to final approval.

Some of the key components of the draft plan include establishing a mercury collection program, institutional organics composting program, establishing a product reuse collection and distribution center, encourage backyard composting, enhance recycling programs at area schools and public facilities and evaluate current construction and demolition debris recycling technologies.

Another important aspect of this plan is to encourage Product Stewardship. Product Stewardship is an integrated business process for identifying, managing and minimizing the health, safety and environmental risks throughout all stages of a product's life in the best interest of society.

On May 12, 2009, the Madison County Board of Supervisors will be voting on a resolution calling for the County to become the lead agency for the environmental review of an action to modify the current CSWMP for Madison County.

Beginning May 13, 2009 the Draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan will be available for review and public comment on the Madison County Web site at www.madisoncounty.org Public comments will be collected through May 29, 2009 and will be incorporated in the draft document as necessary. For those viewing this document on the web site and wishing to respond electronically there will be a link to send an e-mail on the site.

Hard copies of this document will be sent to all town clerks' offices and will also be available at the Madison County Landfill Office on Buyea Rd. in the Town of Lincoln. To send a response via US Mail, send to Madison County Dept of Solid Waste, PO Box 27, Wampsville, NY 13163.