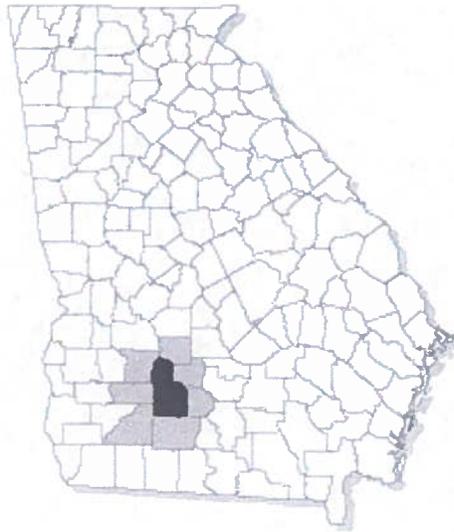


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# Worth County Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan 2008-2018



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# CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Background Information

This is a multi-jurisdictional Municipal Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick. The plan is intended to meet the revised *Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures* established by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). It addresses the five core planning elements specified by the *Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures*, including:

- Waste Reduction
- Collection
- Disposal
- Land Limitation
- Education and Public Involvement

The plan also includes a waste disposal stream analysis and implementation schedule.

## 1.2 Purpose of the Plan

- Ensure that there are adequate collection systems in the county
- Inventory existing programs
- Identify needs and goals
- Ensure that solid waste management plans provide for 10 years of disposal capacity
- Provide for the protection of the environment
- Provide guidance to local governments
- Encourage the reduction, reuse and recycling of solid waste

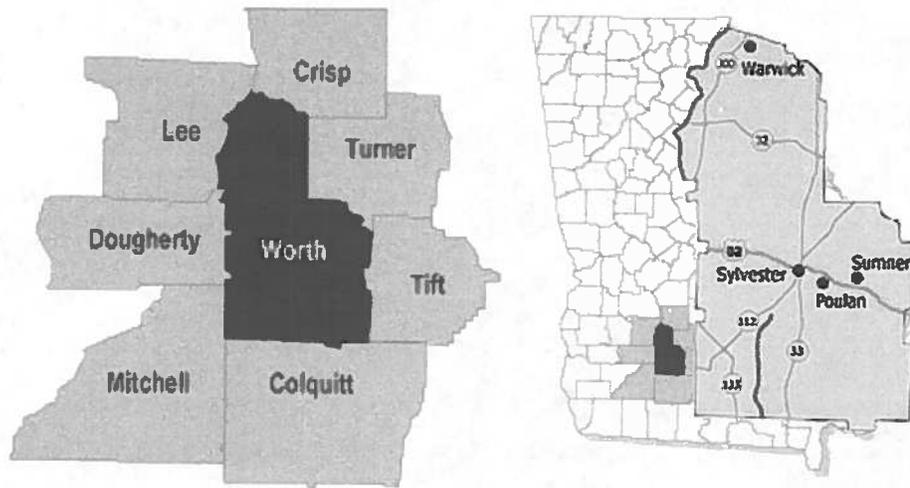
## 1.3 Physical and Demographic Characteristics

Worth County is in Southwest Georgia and has a land area of 569.8 square miles. Worth County had 21,967 people in 9,086 households in 2000 according to U.S. Census estimates, and grew over 11% from 1990 to 2000.

### WORTH COUNTY POPULATION GRAPH

Community	Population			Growth (%)	
	1980	1990	2000	1980-1990	1990-2000
Poulan	818	918	946	12.2 %	3.1 %
Sumner	213	209	309	-1.9 %	47.8 %
Sylvester	5,860	6,023	5,990	2.8 %	-0.5 %
Warwick	488	501	430	2.7 %	-14.2 %
<b>Worth</b>	<b>18,064</b>	<b>19,744</b>	<b>21,967</b>	<b>9.3 %</b>	<b>11.3 %</b>

Source: [www.dca.state.ga.us](http://www.dca.state.ga.us)



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### 1.3.1 Physical Characteristics

Worth County, located in the southwestern section of the state of Georgia, has four incorporated jurisdictions: Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick. Worth County shares boundaries with Dougherty, Lee, Crisp, Turner, Tift, Colquitt, and Mitchell Counties and stretches approximately 35 miles from north to south. The Flint River, one of the state's major rivers, forms a portion of the northwestern boundary of Worth County. There are numerous tributaries that flow into the Flint River in the northern portion of the County. The southern portion of the County drains into the Ochlockonee and Suwannee River Basins.

Most of the County is sparsely populated and covered in forest or agricultural land. Warwick, with a population of 430 people, is located in the northern section of the County. Sylvester, with 5,990 people, Poulan with 946 people, and Sumner with 309 people are clustered around the midsection of the County along the major motorway in the County, U.S. Highway 82.

### 1.3.2 Economic Activity

Based on the 2000 U.S. Census data, the table below shows the largest employers in the county by number and percent.

<b>WORTH COUNTY EMPLOYMENT TABLE</b>		
<b>INDUSTRY</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>PERCENT</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	456	4.9
Construction	742	7.9
Manufacturing	1,781	19.1
Wholesale trade	392	4.2
Retail trade	1,061	11.4
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	492	5.3
Information	153	1.6
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	478	5.1
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	417	4.5
Educational, health and social services	1,772	19.0
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	406	4.3
Other services (except public administration)	456	4.9

## CHAPTER 2 WASTE DISPOSAL STREAM ANALYSIS

### 2.1 Purpose of the Chapter

The purpose of this chapter is to determine the amount and composition of solid waste disposed within the county for the 10-year planning period. Information from the last U.S. Census count was used.

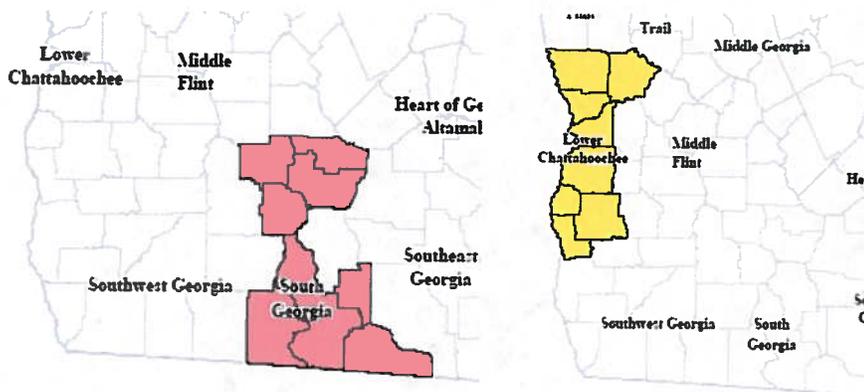
### 2.2 Waste Disposal Stream Analysis

The following waste disposal stream analysis was completed using information from the U.S. Census and the state waste characterization study prepared by consultant R.W. Beck and provided by the DCA. Because a study of the Southwest Georgia region was not conducted, data were averaged from the South Georgia and the Lower Chattahoochee regions to characterize the waste stream for the Southwest Georgia region. The value of 6.5 pounds per-person per-day was used to estimate the amount of waste disposed of in the County.

### 2.3 Waste Stream Sampling

The DCA contracted with a private consulting firm, R.W. Beck, to complete the *Statewide Waste Characterization Study*, the results of which were shared publicly in August 2005. Due to budget constraints, a study for the Southwest Georgia region was not made. The waste stream analysis for this plan uses averaged data from the South Georgia region and the Lower Chattahoochee region. It is felt that by averaging regional data, more representative values could be obtained than by using state data.

The South Georgia Regional Development Center includes Ben Hill, Brooks, Cook, Echols, Irwin, Lanier, Lowndes, Tift, and Turner counties.



The Lower Chattahoochee Regional Development Center includes Chattahoochee, Clay, Harris, Muscogee, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart, and Talbot counties.

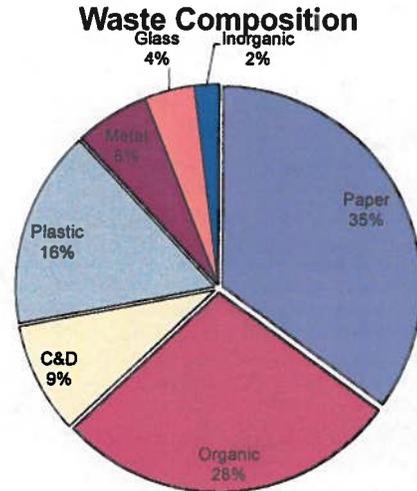
<b>2.4 TOTAL ANNUAL TONNAGES, 2000</b>			
<b>AREA</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>% OF TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>TOTAL TONNAGE</b>
<b>WARWICK</b>	430	2%	510
<b>SYLVESTER</b>	5,990	27%	7,106
<b>POULAN</b>	946	4%	1,122
<b>SUMNER</b>	309	1%	367
<b>WORTH COUNTY UNINCORPORATED</b>	14,292	65%	16,954
<b>WORTH COUNTY TOTAL AREA</b>	21,967	100	<b>26,058</b>

2000 U.S. Census (Totals may not equal 100% due to rounding)

The percentages shown in the table below are also represented in the pie chart on page 9. (From R.W. Beck's *Statewide Waste Characterization Study*)

<b>2.5 ESTIMATIONS OF WASTE STREAM COMPONENTS</b>		
<b>Material</b>	<b>Percent of Total</b>	<b>Tons Per Year</b>
<b>Paper and Paperboard</b>	35%	9,120
<b>Organic</b>	28%	7,296
<b>Plastic</b>	16%	4,169
<b>Construction/Demolition</b>	9%	2,345
<b>Metal</b>	6%	1,563
<b>Glass</b>	4%	1,042
<b>Inorganic</b>	2%	521
<b>Total</b>	100%	<b>26,058</b>

2000 U.S. Census (Totals may not equal 100% due to rounding)



The pie chart above uses information from R.W. Beck's *Statewide Waste Characterization Study* and illustrates the relative proportion of waste stream components. It shows that paper is the largest portion of the waste stream, followed by organic, plastic, construction and demolition, metal, glass and inorganic.

**Paper and paperboard**, comprising 35% and 9,120 tons of the waste stream, is the largest single component by a considerable margin. Efforts to reduce the per-capita contribution to the area's waste should concentrate on the reduction of paper in the waste stream, and encouraging residents to recycle paper. There is a huge market for paper in Georgia's paper mills (15 of the state's mills use recycled fiber and 9 of the mills use 100% recycled fiber). For every ton of paper recycled, 17 trees are saved. Making paper from recycled fiber uses 80% less water, uses 65% less energy, and produces 95% less air pollution than making paper from virgin trees. It also saves three cubic yards of landfill space.

**Organic**, the second largest component at 28% and 7,296 tons of the waste stream, is comprised of materials such as wood, food waste, yard waste, diapers and textiles. Together paper and organic represent nearly two-thirds of all waste.

**The remaining one-third** (approximately) of the waste stream is 16% (4,169 tons) plastic, 6% metal (1,563 tons), 9% construction (2,345 tons- which includes lumber, drywall and roofing shingles), 4% glass (1,042 tons), and 2% (521 tons) inorganic. Inorganic includes items such as tires, and electronics

such as televisions and computers. Plastic is another valuable recyclable important to a significant Georgia industry, for instance plastic beverage containers can be made into carpet. The carpet industry in Georgia is one of the state's largest employers and the largest end user of recycled soda bottles in the nation.

**2.6 Value of Recyclables in Waste Stream**

Georgians pay roughly \$90 million each year to discard recyclable materials that are worth about \$250 million to Georgia industries.

The following table shows the value of a few of the more easily recycled components of the waste stream in Worth County and their value. The Global Recycling Network (GRN) website <http://www.grn.com> provides updated prices for a wide variety of recyclables. The value of 14% was used to calculate the value of more easily recycled paper in the table below.

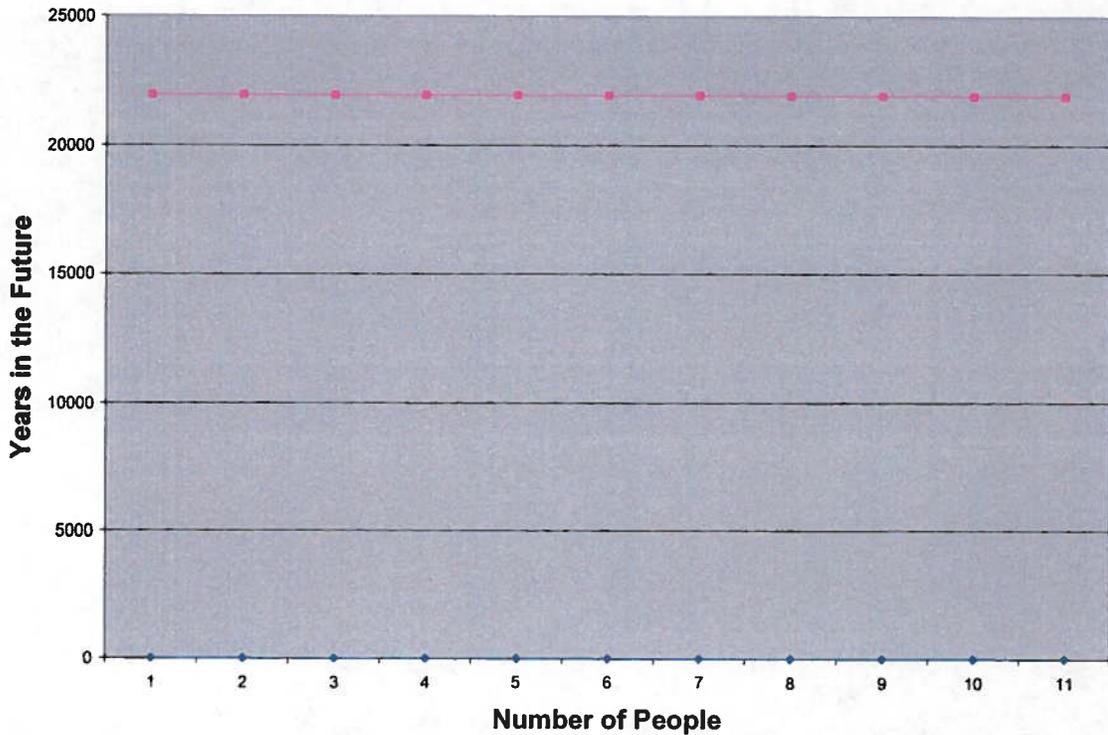
**Value of Recyclables in Waste Stream (26,058 tons total waste, 2000)**

<b>Material</b>	<b>% of Waste Stream</b>	<b>Amount in Waste Stream</b>	<b>Unit Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
Paper	14%	3,648 tons	\$80/ton	\$291,850
Aluminum Cans	.85 %	221 tons	\$.63/pound	\$278,460
#1 Plastic	1.43 %	373 tons	\$.17/pound	\$126,820
#2 Plastic	1.1%	287 tons	\$.19/pound	\$109,060

The value of the paper and beverage container portion of the waste stream each year in Worth County is worth roughly \$806,190.

## 2.7 Projected Population Growth and Tonnages

Projected Growth



PROJECTED ANNUAL TONNAGES FOR WORTH COUNTY		
Year	Population	Annual Tonnage
2008	21,963	26,054
2009	21,960	26,050
2010	21,957	26,046
2011	21,954	26,053
2012	21,951	26,039
2013	21,948	26,036
2014	21,945	26,032
2015	21,942	26,029
2016	21,939	26,025
2017	21,937	26,023
2018	21,933	26,019

The population of Worth County is expected to decrease slightly over the planning period. The above table shows an extrapolation of the current rate of growth and a proportional decrease in waste disposal amounts based on current rates of disposal. The table above shows that as the population decreases, the amount of waste disposed is also expected to decrease so that by the year 2018 35 fewer tons per year will be disposed of.

## 2.8 Generating Sectors of Residential and Commercial Municipal Solid Waste

The following breakdown uses state averages to compare the relative contribution of the waste stream between commercial and residential sectors. The residential waste contains more of newspapers, magazines, and paperboard. Commercial waste contains more corrugated cardboard and office paper. Plastics appear in comparable amounts in both streams, with residential having a slightly higher amount of PET and HDPE. Glass, metals, organics, and inorganics also appear in similar amounts in all three streams.

<b><u>Paper</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
Newspaper	6.5%	3.2%
Corrugated Cardboard	6.0%	14.0%
Office	2.9%	4.2%
Magazine/Glossy	3.4%	1.9%
Paperboard	4.6%	2.4%
Mixed (Other Recyclable)	3.0%	2.7%
Other (Non-recyclable)	10.7%	10.9%
<b>Total Paper</b>	<b>37.1%</b>	<b>39.3%</b>

<b><u>Plastic</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
#1 PET Bottles	1.7%	1.2%
#2 HDPE Bottles	1.4%	0.9%
#3-#7 Bottles	0.3%	0.1%
Expanded Polystyrene	1.4%	1.4%
Film Plastic	7.4%	7.6%
Other Rigid Plastic	4.4%	4.3%
<b>Total Plastic</b>	<b>16.6%</b>	<b>15.6%</b>

<b><u>Glass</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
Clear	2.4%	1.4%
Green	0.5%	0.4%
Amber	1.4%	1.1%
Other	0.4%	0.4%
<b>Total Glass</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>

<b><u>Metal</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
Steel Cans	1.7%	1.1%
Aluminum Cans	0.9%	0.6%
Other Ferrous	1.7%	3.0%
Other Non-Ferrous	0.7%	0.8%

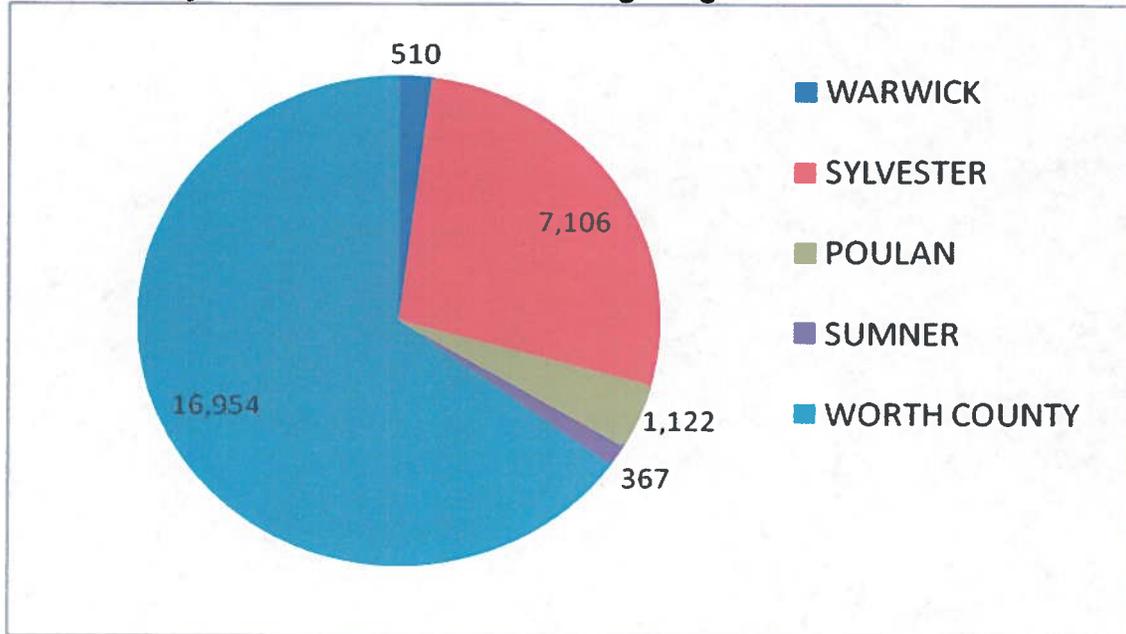
<b>Total Metal</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
<b><u>Organics</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
Yard Waste	2.1%	3.0%
Wood (non-C&D)	1.4%	1.7%
Food Waste	13.4%	12.4%
Textiles	5.1%	3.7%
Diapers	3.6%	1.8%
Fines	3.0%	2.6%
Other Organics	1.3%	1.6%
<b>Total Organic</b>	<b>29.8%</b>	<b>26.8%</b>
<b><u>C&amp;D</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
Drywall	0.3%	0.3%
Wood	1.3%	2.3%
Inerts	0.2%	0.6%
Carpet	1.1%	1.5%
Other C&D	1.0%	1.1%
<b>Total C&amp;D</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>
<b><u>Inorganics</u></b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
Televisions	0.0%	0.1%
Computers	0.0%	0.2%
Other Electronics	1.5%	2.0%
Tires	0.0%	0.3%
HHW	0.3%	0.5%
Other Inorganics	0.9%	0.7%
<b>Total Inorganics</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## CHAPTER 3 WASTE COLLECTION

### 3.1 Purpose of the Chapter

The purpose of this chapter is to provide an inventory and assessment of existing solid waste collection systems to ensure the efficient and effective collection of solid waste, recyclable materials and yard waste in Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick for the ten-year planning period.

### 3.2 Inventory and Assessment of Existing Programs



Relative Contribution to the Waste Stream (in tons per year)

#### Worth County

Worth County granted Veolia Environmental Services with an office at 1101 Hawkins Street Valdosta 31601 the right to collect, deliver, transport by covered units, and dispose of all waste material produced in the County. The contract effective November 1, 2005 states that Veolia is responsible for collecting residential solid waste and invoicing residents for these services, with Worth County receiving payments. Effective November 1, 2006 Veolia became responsible for waste collection, invoicing, and receiving payments. The contract will be automatically renewed at the end of each fiscal year unless action is taken by the County to terminate the contract with the third year ending June 30, 2008. The contract will be automatically renewed at the end of each fiscal year unless action is taken by the County to terminate the contract.

There are an estimated 5,500 residential customers serviced curbside weekly with 96 gallon roll-out containers.

Veolia Environmental Services also provides dumpsters to commercial accounts in Worth County. Commercial account holders contract directly with Veolia.

Loose yard wastes are collected curbside by Worth County, by calling the Public Works Department to schedule the collection of yard wastes. Inert wastes are deposited at the Worth County Landfill. The inert waste landfill is the County's only operational landfill and accepts only inert waste material such as leaves, limbs, grass clippings, stumps, and clean concrete free of charge to all County residents.

County residents (and residents in the incorporated areas) may drop off white goods for free at the Worth County Transfer Station located at 797 Ephesus Church Road, Sylvester 31792. (229-776-8226). Brown goods may be dropped off for a \$35 per ton fee.

White goods may also be dropped off at G&K Enterprises 124 Je Jernigan Road Lenox, Georgia (229-528-4880). Lenox is about 34 miles southeast of Sylvester in Cook County.

### **Poulan**

The city of Poulan contracts with Allied Waste Services in Albany for the curbside collection of its solid waste. There are about 365 residential 90-gallon roll-out containers that are collected weekly.

The city of Poulan public works department offers residential curbside collection of loose yard trimmings every Monday and Friday.

Commercial account holders contract directly with Veolia for the collection of their wastes.

### **Sumner**

Wastes from the city of Sumner are hauled by Veolia Waste Services of Valdosta. The arrangement is with the Worth County Board of County Commissioners on behalf of the city of Sumner.

There are about 110 residential 90-gallon roll-out containers that are collected curbside weekly.

Commercial account holders contract directly with Veolia for the collection of their wastes.

Sumner residents may use the inert waste landfill to deposit waste material such as leaves, limbs, grass clippings, stumps, and clean concrete free of charge.

## **Sylvester**

The city of Sylvester contracts collection services with the Camilla office of Seminole Sanitation Services (Seminole) at P.O. Box 485 Camilla, GA 31730. Seminole collects household garbage curbside each week from roughly 2,150 90 gallon roll-out carts provided by Seminole. Seminole transports wastes to the Worth County Landfill (which is also the transfer station) and then to Valdosta.

Loose yard trimmings are collected curbside weekly by Seminole and taken to the Worth County Landfill. Sylvester pays \$15 per ton to dispose of inert materials. The city of Sylvester Street Department, through an arrangement with Seminole, will collect yard trimmings for Seminole during times of peak yard waste disposal and when there is a backlog for pickup.

A five year contract from 2003 to 2008 was signed between Sylvester and Seminole for the collection and disposal of both the 90-gallon roll-out carts and for commercial wastes, which is charged by the cubic yard. The collection and disposal contract will be put out for bid after expiration of the 2003-2008 contract.

White goods are collected, by special request and for a fee, by Seminole Sanitation.

## **Warwick**

Wastes from the city of Warwick are hauled by Veolia Waste Services of Valdosta.

There are about 160 residential 90-gallon roll-out containers that are collected curbside weekly.

Commercial account holders contract directly with Veolia for the collection of their wastes.

### **3.3 Illegal Dumping and Littering**

#### **Worth County**

There were no areas identified in the county where repeated concentrated dumping occurs. Residents are encouraged to call the Public Works Director when dumping occurs. The Worth County Sheriff's Department, when the dumper can be identified, takes corrective action.

Littering is prohibited by ordinance.

The Georgia Department of Transportation collects trash along state highways that run through Worth County.

Prisoner labor is used by the County to collect roadside trash.

### **Poulan**

Illegal dumping and littering is not a significant problem for the city of Poulan. If caught, the citizen is cited by a city police officer.

The city of Poulan has a litter ordinance in place.

The Georgia Department of Transportation collects trash along state highways that pass through Poulan.

### **Sumner**

The city of Sumner uses city personnel to periodically remove roadside trash that accumulates, but does not have a problem with concentrated dumping within the city limits.

Sumner has a nuisance ordinance that does not allow homeowners to accumulate excessive amounts of trash on their properties.

The Georgia Department of Transportation collects trash along state highways that run through Sumner.

### **Sylvester**

The city of Sylvester Code Enforcement Officer has identified one illegal dumping case in the past year. The violator was identified through an eye witness who reported the tag number, and the violator was given the opportunity to clean the dump area and surrounding area to avoid further penalty. The city of Sylvester does not suffer dumping in significant quantities, but littering of streets and ditches remains a concern for the city.

Littering is prohibited by ordinance.

### **Warwick**

The city of Warwick uses city personnel to periodically remove roadside trash that accumulates, but does not have a problem with concentrated dumping within the city limits.

Littering is prohibited by ordinance.

The Georgia Department of Transportation collects trash along state highways that run through Warwick.

## **3.4 Needs and Goals of Current Programs**

Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick wish to ensure the efficient and effective collection of solid waste and recyclable materials over the ten-year planning period, to continue to encourage solid waste reduction through education and recycling, and to make modifications, if necessary, to the existing collection practices to minimize the amount of waste disposed. Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick will continue to contract for the collection and disposal of their wastes.

### **Worth County**

Increase solid waste reduction through education and recycling, and to make modifications if necessary to the existing collection practices to minimize the amount of waste disposed.

### **The cities of Poulan, Sumner, and Warwick**

The cities of Poulan, Sumner, and Warwick have current operations and services in place to adequately service the residents and businesses in the area, so therefore do not have future needs or goals in the 10-year planning period.

### **Sylvester**

Some districts (especially district 4) do not have adequate room beside the road for the poly carts, so subsequently the carts and trash often end up in drainage ditches. This issue must be considered.

## **3.5 Recycling Collection/ Opportunities**

### **Worth County**

There are no organized recycling programs in Worth County, but scrap metals are accepted by Phoenix Recycling at 430 Woodcrest Road Sylvester, GA 31791 (229) 776-7688. Phoenix will place and remove a container, for a \$110 fee. No tipping fees are charged because the scrap is sold to a metal recycler in Albany.

### **Poulan**

Residents of Sumner may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 24 miles away, or in the city of Tifton 18 miles away.

### **Sumner**

Residents of Sumner may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 26 miles away, or in the city of Tifton 16 miles away.

### **Warwick**

Residents of Warwick may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 27 miles away, or in the city of Cordele 14 miles away.

### **Sylvester**

There are a number of thrift stores in that divert some clothing, furniture household items, etc. from the waste stream, and several auto parts stores that accept batteries.

Residents of Sylvester may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the

city of Albany, 21 miles away, the city of Moultrie 26 miles away city of Tifton 21 miles away.

### **3.6 Contingency Strategy**

The following section describes how Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick will respond to interruptions and/or increased demand upon their solid waste collection services due to major storms or human-caused disasters. There are a number of potential hazards that could generate significant amounts of waste in Worth County.

Hurricanes have the potential to inflict significant wind damage over a widespread area and may create large amounts of waste material.

Tornadoes, although more localized than a hurricane, can generate higher wind speeds and may generate significant amounts of debris, especially over urban areas.

Flooding is a possible hazard along stream corridors in Worth County. Hurricanes and tropical depressions, over a period of several days, have the potential to release the equivalent of six months' average rainfall over an area. The resultant flooding may generate significant amounts of debris. Worth County has a number of streams and rivers that could flood, but many are in rural and agricultural areas so their potential to generate waste is limited. Warrior Creek and Town Creek near Sylvester could cause damage and generate debris if it overflowed its banks. Significant destruction of property and generation of debris occurred in Sylvester July 2005 when flooding occurred.

In addition to natural disasters, human-caused disasters could potentially disrupt the collection of solid wastes.

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Director Name: Mr. Lyndel E. Ford, Jr. Agency Address: 203 East Willingham Street Sylvester, Georgia 31791 Office Phone: 229-776-8223 Office Fax: 229-776-8227 (24hrs) Email Address: emawc@worthcountyvoc.com

The Federal Region Center (FRC), of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is located in Thomasville, Georgia (Contact: Gene Davis, Thomasville, GA., (912)226-1761, Ext. 207/343) and operates a system of state liaisons to provide assistance and quick response to state/local emergencies.

## CHAPTER 4 WASTE REDUCTION

### 4.1 Purpose of the Chapter

The purpose of this chapter is to ensure that programs are in effect to reduce the per-capita disposal of municipal solid waste. The following is a brief summary of reduction programs for the county and each of the municipalities.

### 4.2 State Waste Disposal Reduction Goals

Establishing a baseline goal was the first step to measuring waste reduction and recycling success. The waste disposal characterization study conducted in 2004 identified what Georgians were throwing away on an annual basis. Using this data, OEM staff was able to identify the Georgia industry demand for these materials, and convened a Recycling Stakeholder Group with over 60 representatives, including representatives from businesses, local governments, and other state agencies to formulate a commodity based waste disposal reduction goal(s). The group identified the following goals:

Per Capita MSW Disposal Rate/MSW Reduction Goal					
Commodity	Actual 2004 Lbs/person	Projected 2012 Lbs/person	Projected % 2012	Projected 2017 Lbs/person	Projected % 2017
Glass	0.153	0.140	8%	0.140	8%
Paper	1.181	1.000	15%	0.850	28%
Metal	0.228	0.198	13%	0.186	18%
Plastic	0.663	0.560	16%	0.530	20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.23</b>	<b>1.99</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>1.71</b>	<b>23%</b>

### 4.3 Inventory and Assessment of Existing Programs

#### Worth County

There are no organized recycling programs in Worth County, but scrap metals are accepted by Phoenix Recycling 430 Woodcrest Road Sylvester, GA 31791 (229) 776-7688. Phoenix will place and remove a container, for a \$110 fee. No tipping fees are charged because the scrap is sold to a metal recycler in Albany.

Loose yard wastes are collected curbside by Worth County, by calling the Public Works Department to schedule the collection of yard wastes. Inert wastes are deposited at the Worth County Landfill. The inert waste landfill is the County's only operational landfill and accepts only inert waste material such as leaves, limbs, grass clippings, stumps, and clean concrete free of charge to all County residents.

County residents (and residents in the incorporated areas) may drop off white goods for free at the Worth County Transfer Station located at 797 Ephesus Church Road, Sylvester 31792. (229-776-8226). Brown goods may be dropped off for a \$35 per ton fee.

White goods may also be dropped off at G&K Enterprises 124 Je Jernigan Road Lenox, Georgia (229-528-4880). Lenox is about 34 miles southeast of Sylvester in Cook County.

### **Poulan**

Residents of Sumner may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 24 miles away, or in the city of Tifton 18 miles away.

The city of Poulan public works department offers curbside collection of loose yard trimmings every Monday and Friday.

### **Sumner**

Residents of Sumner may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 26 miles away, or in the city of Tifton 16 miles away.

Loose yard trimmings may be taken to the Worth County Landfill.

### **Warwick**

Residents of Warwick may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 27 miles away, or in the city of Cordele 14 miles away.

Loose yard trimmings may be taken to the Worth County Landfill.

### **Sylvester**

There are a number of thrift stores in that divert some clothing, furniture household items, etc. from the waste stream, and several auto parts stores that accept batteries.

Residents of Sylvester may recycle metals of all varieties, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper, white office paper and PET and HDPE plastics in the city of Albany, 21 miles away, or in the city of Tifton 21 miles away.

Loose yard trimmings are collected weekly by Seminole and taken to the Worth County Landfill. Sylvester pays \$15 per ton to dispose of inert materials. The city of Sylvester Street Department, through an arrangement with Seminole, will collect yard trimmings for Seminole during times of peak yard waste disposal and when there is a backlog for pickup.

## **4.4 Needs and Goals of Current Programs**

Worth County and the cities wish to do their part in helping the state achieve a per-capita waste reduction. Needs and goals for the County include the following:

If Worth County can hold the per-capita amount of waste constant, by the year 2018 a slight waste reduction would be achieved as seen in the table below.

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>POPULATION</b>	<b>TOTAL WASTE (tons)</b>
<b>2008</b>	21,963	26,054
<b>2009</b>	21,960	26,050
<b>2010</b>	21,957	26,046
<b>2011</b>	21,954	26,053
<b>2012</b>	21,951	26,039
<b>2013</b>	21,948	26,036
<b>2014</b>	21,945	26,032
<b>2015</b>	21,942	26,029
<b>2016</b>	21,939	26,025
<b>2017</b>	21,937	26,023
<b>2018</b>	21,933	26,019

This table shows projected tonnages if the County does not allow per-capita disposal rates to increase over the planning period

Compliance with all state and federal laws.

The city of Sylvester wishes to provide local opportunities for residents who wish to recycle.

The city of Sylvester will encourage educational programs in the school system that promote source reduction and recycling.

## CHAPTER 5 DISPOSAL

### 5.1 Purpose of the Chapter

The purpose of this chapter is to identify the types of disposal facilities in the planning area and to provide assurance that the facilities are adequate for the 10-year planning period.

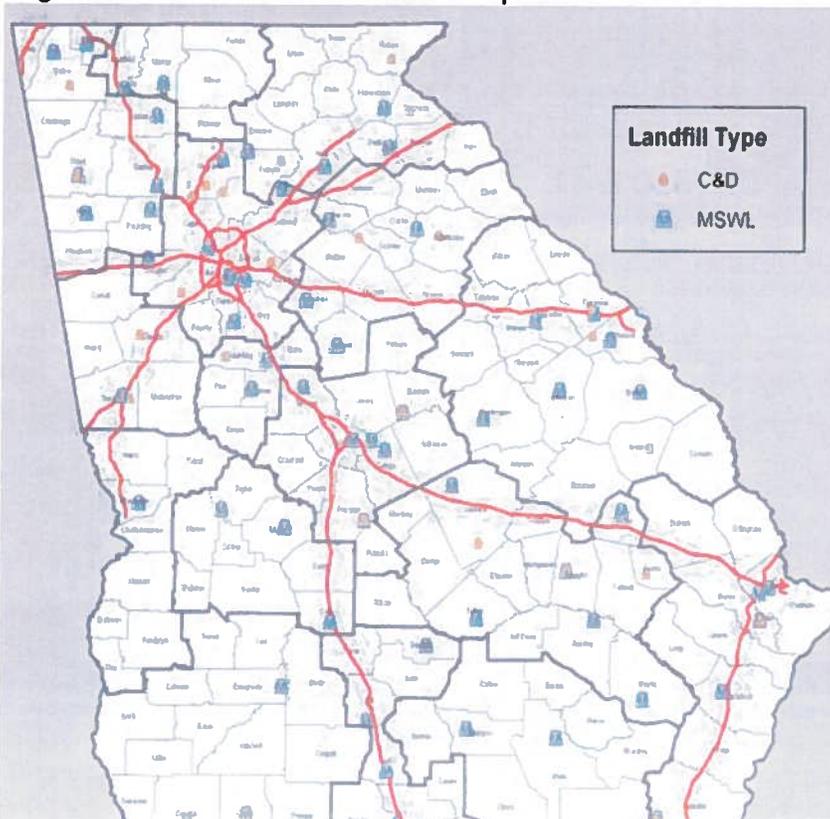
### 5.2 Inventory and Assessment of Existing Programs Worth County and Cities

Veolia Environmental Services hauls all municipal solid wastes collected in the County and cities of Sylvester, Sumner and Poulan and Warwick to the Worth County Transfer Station on 797 Ephesus Church Road near Sylvester, and then to the Pecan Row Landfill or the Evergreen Landfill at 1101 Hawkins Street in Valdosta.

The Pecan Row landfill, owned and operated by Veolia Environmental Services, is currently accepting waste from Worth County and the cities of Sylvester, Sumner and Poulan and Warwick, and has an expected remaining capacity of three years. It is anticipated that this facility can accept approximately 78,072 tons over the three years before closure (26,024 tons per year).

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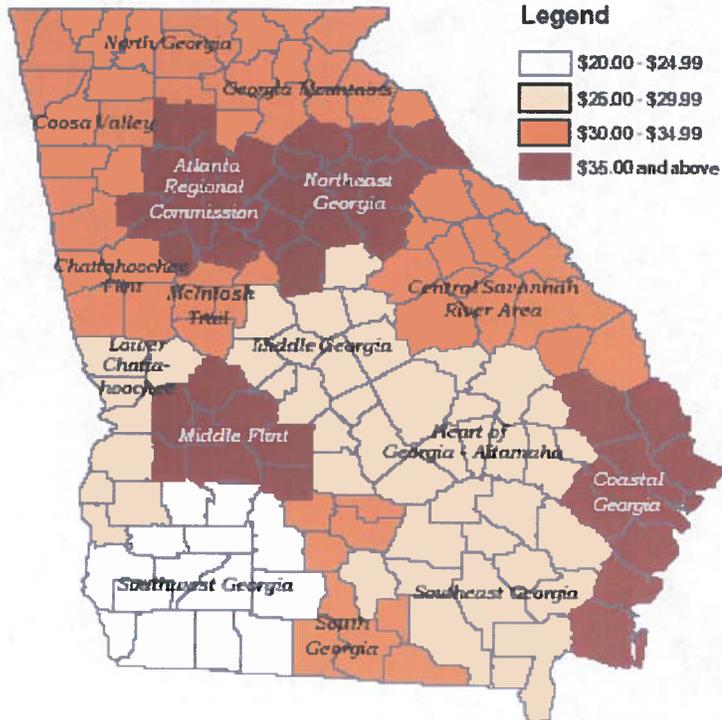
Georgia landfills are shown on the map below.



### 5.3 State Tipping Fees

Tipping fees in southwest Georgia, shown in the illustration below, are the lowest in the state, and averaged less than \$25 per ton in 2004. Such low fees do not encourage a reduction in disposal rates. Current local rates may be higher.

### 2004 GEORGIA LANDFILL TIPPING FEES



### 5.4 Needs and Goals

Worth County and the will ensure the sufficient disposal capacity to handle all wastes disposed of in the county for the next ten years and beyond.

### 5.5 Contingency Strategy

There are a number of backup landfills that the county would solicit proposals from within two weeks of the disaster, in the event the Pecan Row Landfill and Evergreen Landfill become overwhelmed. From Sylvester, the Thomasville Landfill is roughly 57 miles away, the Decatur County Landfill south of Attapulgus is roughly 85 miles away, the landfill in Cambellton, Florida is about 118 miles away, and the city of Cairo Landfill is about 62 miles away. The Maple Landfill in Albany is about 23 miles away and accepts C&D and inert material only.

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## **CHAPTER 6 LAND LIMITATION**

### **6.1 Purpose of the Chapter**

The purpose of this chapter is to indicate areas in Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Warwick and Sylvester which are not suitable for solid waste facilities based on environmental limitations or land use and zoning restrictions. Environmental factors include floodplains, wetlands, groundwater recharge areas, steep slopes, water supply watersheds and unstable areas which are susceptible to seismic disturbances. Land use and zoning restrictions apply to developed areas, National Historic Sites, airports and jurisdictional boundaries. See land limitation map in Appendix.

### **6.2 Basic Limitations for the Siting of Solid Waste Handling Facilities**

Specifically, the following Department of Natural Resources (DNR) rules outline basic limitations for the siting of solid waste handling facilities:

#### **6.2.1 Natural Environmental Limitations:**

**Water supply watersheds:** DNR Rule 391-3-16-.01(7)(c)1 requires that at any location within a small water supply watershed, new solid waste landfills must have synthetic liners and leachate collection systems.

**Groundwater Recharge Areas:** DNR Rule 391-3-16-.02(3)(a) requires that in significant groundwater recharge areas, DNR shall not issue permits for new solid waste landfills not having synthetic liners and leachate collection systems.

**Wetlands:** DNR Rule 391-3-16-.03(3)(e) establishes that solid waste landfills may constitute an unacceptable use of a wetland.

**River Corridors:** DNR Rule 391-3-16-.04(4)(h) prohibits the development of new solid waste landfills within protected river corridors.

**Protected Mountains:** DNR Rule 391-3-16-.05(4)(l) prohibits the development of new solid waste landfills in areas designated as protected mountains.

**6.2.2 Criteria for siting:** The following items are criteria for siting solid waste facilities under DNR Rules. Local governments preparing plans should consult with DNR for the most current applicable rules.

**Zoning:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(a) requires that the site must conform to all local zoning/land use ordinances, and that written verification of such be submitted to EPD.

**Airport safety:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(c) requires that new solid waste landfill units or lateral expansions of existing units shall not be within 10,000 feet of any public use or private use airport runway end used by turbojet aircraft or within 5,000 feet of any public use or private use airport runway end used by only piston type aircraft.

**Flood Plains:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(d) stipulates that any solid waste landfill located in the 100-year flood plain shall not restrict the flow of the 100-year flood, reduce the temporary water storage capacity of the floodplain, or result in a washout of solid waste so as to pose a threat to human health or the environment.

**Wetlands:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(e) prohibits the development of solid waste landfills in wetlands, as defined by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, unless evidence is provided by the applicant to EPD that use of such wetlands has been permitted or otherwise authorized under all other applicable state and federal laws and rules.

**Fault areas:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(f) requires that new landfill units and lateral expansions of existing landfills shall not be located within 200 feet of a fault that has had displacement in the Holocene Epoch unless the owner or operator demonstrates to EPD that an alternative setback distance of less than 200 feet will prevent damage to the structural integrity of the landfill unit and will be protective of human health and the environment.

**Seismic impact zones:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(g) prohibits the development of new landfill units and lateral expansions in seismic impact zones unless the owner or operator demonstrates to EPD that all containment structures, including liners, leachate collection systems, and surface water control systems are designed to resist the maximum horizontal acceleration in lithified earth material for the site.

**Unstable areas:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(h) requires owners or operators of new landfill units, existing landfill units, and lateral expansions located in unstable areas to demonstrate that engineering measures have been incorporated in the landfill unit's design to ensure that the integrity of the structural components of the landfill unit will not be disrupted.

**Significant groundwater recharge areas:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(j) requires new solid waste landfills or expansions of existing facilities within two miles of significant groundwater recharge areas to have liners and leachate collection systems, with the exception of facilities accepting waste generated from outside the County in which the facility is located. In that case, the facility must be totally outside of any area designated as a significant groundwater recharge area.

"Hazardous wastes," as that term is defined by O.C.G.A. §12-8-62(10), as may be amended from time to time, are prohibited.

### **6.2.3 Required applicant actions relating to landfill siting.**

Applicants should always check with DNR and the local planning jurisdiction to verify procedures for siting solid waste management facilities that include but are not limited to the following:

**Disposal facility siting decision:** DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(b) requires that whenever any applicant begins a process to select a site for a solid waste disposal facility, documentation demonstrating compliance with O.C.G.A. § 12-8-26(a) be submitted to EPD; further, whenever any applicant takes action resulting in a siting decision for a publicly or privately owned solid waste disposal facility, documentation demonstrating compliance with O.C.G.A. § 12-8-26(b) be submitted to EPD.

Once a site has been selected, the applicant must conduct a Hydrological Assessment in accordance with the provisions of DNR Rule 391-3-4- 23

.05(1)(k). Preparation of the land limitation element of a solid waste management plan should comply with the Solid Waste Management Act and the Rules of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for Solid Waste Management (Chapter 391-3-4) relating to historic sites, airports, jurisdictional boundaries, access, etc. These documents should be consulted for specifics on land limitations and siting of solid waste management facilities.

If an applicant undertakes the Facilities Issues Negotiation Process pursuant to a facility siting decision, the process will be undertaken in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 12-8-32 and any guidelines issued by the Department pursuant to State law.

### **6.3 Written Statement of Consistency**

In addition to compliance with the above rules, companies wishing to site a solid waste facility shall submit to the local governing body at least 60 days prior to filing a solid waste permit a "Written Statement of Consistency" that documents general information and how the solid waste facility will impact the community in the following areas:

- What the effect will be on local traffic surrounding the facility
- How the proposed facility will help the county contribute to the state's waste diversion goals
- What efforts will be made to visually screen the facility
- What efforts will be made to control litter and offensive odors produced by the site
- When the hours of operation will be
- The anticipated impact the proposed facility will have upon adequate collection and disposal capability within the planning area
- Types of wastes accepted or rejected
- Geographic area the site will serve
- Target tip fee or cost of operation
- Maximum haul distance
- Minimum and possibly maximum site operating life
- Profile of potential site users
- Whether the proposed facility or facility expansion negatively impacts the county's ability to contribute to the state's waste reduction goal
- Whether the proposed facility or facility expansion is sited in a location that is consistent with local zoning ordinances
- Whether the proposed facility or facility expansion negatively impacts natural or cultural resources of the county
- What the anticipated impact will be on current solid waste management facilities.
- What the anticipated impact will be on current collection and disposal practices.

Adjacent property owners to the proposed site shall be notified by mail at the time the written statement of consistency is submitted, and an advertisement run in the local newspaper(s) briefly describing the proposed project and where and when the public meeting will be held.

#### **6.4 Host Fee**

In the event Worth County approves a solid waste handling facility based on the land limitations set forth in this solid waste management plan, the facility shall be subject to a host fee. The host fee paid to the local government shall be negotiable, but shall be no less than \$2 per ton. A trust fund shall be established at a bank within the County chosen by the Board of County Commissioners, into which the operator shall pay \$1.00 per ton of waste disposed into this facility for the operational life of the landfill. Expenditures from the trust fund are to be approved by a committee consisting of one citizen appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and one representative of the owner/operator. Funds may be used without limitation, for off-site litter control, groundwater and surface water monitoring, provision of alternate water supplies in the event of groundwater contamination, to support waste reduction and recycling efforts in the county, and for payments to adjacent property owners and others, at the discretion of the committee, for damages caused as a result of the landfill or its related operations. The trust fund shall exist and earn interest for 20 years following the expiration of the post-closure period, and at that time the remaining funds, if any, shall be paid to the owner/operator or its successors or assigns.

#### **6.5 Needs and Goals**

Worth County will ensure that proposed solid waste handling facilities and expansions will meet the needs of the County, will be compatible with surrounding land uses, will not be sited in areas which have been identified as having land use limitations, are consistent with this plan and all Worth County ordinances, and will meet federal, state and local requirements. Additionally, Worth County will keep updated and make available to developers all relevant information about natural limitations, and land use.

## **CHAPTER 7**

### **EDUCATION AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

#### **7.1 Purpose of the Chapter**

The purpose of this chapter is to describe the existing environmental education and waste reduction programs taking place in Worth County, Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick. Worth County understands the need to educate the public on the importance of source reduction, recycling, composting and proper disposal of solid waste.

#### **7.2 Inventory and Assessment of Existing Programs**

Signage in the county reminds citizens not to litter and informs of the penalties for littering.

The county and cities utilize prisoner or probationer labor for the control of roadside litter.

#### **7.3 Programs and Agencies Available to Local Governments**

There are a number of free and easily accessible resources available to local governments including:

The DCA Georgia Recycling Market Directory enables the user to search by material, company name, county, or other variables to find out information about companies and agencies that accept recyclables

The brochure *Composting at Home in Georgia*

The *Special Events Recycling Guide* is a how-to publication describing waste diversion at large public events

The Agricultural Pollution Prevention Program educates and provides technical assistance to farmers in best management practices (BMPs) and sustainable practices

City of Sylvester provides education to its citizens and children through the Code Enforcement Department.

#### **7.4 Needs and Goals**

Objectives for educating the public on the importance of source reduction, recycling, composting and proper disposal of solid waste may include the following:

Developing a solid waste curriculum for the Worth County School System utilizing DCA solid waste educational materials.

Educate the public on the costs of solid waste collection and disposal.

Educate the public on available resources provided by the state.

## **CHAPTER 8 IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY**

### **8.1 Purpose of the Chapter**

The purpose of this Implementation strategy is to provide a year to year plan of action, and to outline some of the available options to finance solid waste management. These methods include the following:

COLLECTION		FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
<b>Worth County</b>															
Continue to allow individuals to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Individual	None	n/a
Continue to encourage solid waste reduction through education and recycling, and to make modifications if necessary to the existing collection practices to minimize the amount of waste disposed	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Continue to enforce the Litter Control Ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Poulan</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$49,000/yr	FEES
Continue to encourage solid waste reduction through education and recycling, and to make modifications if necessary to the existing collection practices to minimize the amount of waste disposed	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to enforce the Litter Control Ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to offer curbside collection of yard trimmings	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
<b>City of Sumner</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$15,000/yr	FEES
Continue to enforce the Nuisance Ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City
<b>City of Sylvester</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$290,000/yr	FEES
Continue to enforce the Nuisance Ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City
Continue to offer periodic curbside collection of yard wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City
<b>City of Warwick</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$21,600/yr	FEES
Continue to enforce the Nuisance Ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City

<b>DISPOSAL SERVICES</b>		FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
<b>Worth County</b>															
Periodically review their waste disposal practices to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	NONE	n/a
Increase involvement with the public school system to educate school children on the importance of recycling.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Individuals	NONE	n/a
<b>City of Poulan</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$49,000/yr (inclusive)	FEES
<b>City of Sumner</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$15,000/yr (inclusive)	FEES
<b>City of Sylvester</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes (through contract with Seminole)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	\$290,000/yr (inclusive)	FEES
<b>City of Warwick</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Periodically review their waste disposal practices to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$21,600/yr (inclusive)	FEES

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<b>Worth County</b>															
Continue to allow individuals to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Individual	None	n/a
Continue to encourage solid waste reduction through education and recycling, and to make modifications if necessary to the existing collection practices to minimize the amount of waste disposed		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Continue to enforce the Litter Control Ordinance		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Poulan</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$49,000/yr	FEES
Continue to encourage solid waste reduction through education and recycling, and to make modifications if necessary to the existing collection practices to minimize the amount of waste disposed		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to enforce the Litter Control Ordinance		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to offer curbside collection of yard trimmings		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
<b>City of Summer</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$15,000/yr	FEES
Continue to enforce the Nuisance Ordinance		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City
<b>City of Sylvester</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$290,000/yr	FEES
Continue to enforce the Nuisance Ordinance		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City
Continue to offer periodic curbside collection of yard wastes		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City
<b>City of Warwick</b>															
Continue to contract with a private service for the collection of residential and commercial containers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App. \$21,600/yr	FEES
Continue to enforce the Nuisance Ordinance		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	City

<b>DISPOSAL SERVICES</b>		FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
<b>Worth County</b>															
Periodically review their waste disposal practices to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	NONE	n/a
Increase involvement with the public school system to educate school children on the importance of recycling.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Individuals	NONE	n/a
<b>City of Poulain</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App.\$49,000/yr (inclusive)	FEES
<b>City of Sumner</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App.\$15,000/yr (inclusive)	FEES
<b>City of Sylvester</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes (through contract with Seminole)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	\$290,000/yr (inclusive)	FEES
<b>City of Warwick</b>															
Periodically review their waste contracts to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Periodically review their waste disposal practices to ensure services continue to be met	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	NONE	n/a
Continue to utilize the Pecan Row Landfill for disposal of wastes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	App.\$21,600/yr (inclusive)	FEES

<b>EDUCATION AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT</b>	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
<b>Worth County</b>														
Promote waste reduction and recycling education in Worth County Schools	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Continue to enforce anti-litter ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Provide DCA educational materials on composting and recycling methods at County Library	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Continue to publicize the cost of providing solid waste management services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Poulan</b>														
Provide DCA educational materials on composting and recycling methods at City Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to enforce anti-litter ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to publicize the cost of providing solid waste management services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Sumner</b>														
Provide DCA educational materials on composting and recycling methods at City Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	\$50/city	GF
Continue to enforce anti-litter ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to publicize the cost of providing solid waste management services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Sylvester</b>														
Provide DCA educational materials on composting and recycling methods at City Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	\$50/city	GF
Continue to enforce anti-litter ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a

Continue to publicize the cost of providing solid waste management services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Warwick</b>																					
Provide DCA educational materials on composting and recycling methods at City Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	\$50/city	GF
Continue to enforce anti-litter ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to publicize the cost of providing solid waste management services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a

LAND LIMITATION	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
<b>Worth County, Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick</b>														
Ensure that existing Land Limitation map reflects all criteria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Worth County will ensure that potential siting of solid waste facilities are not on areas with environmental limitations or where land use and zoning restrictions prohibit landfill siting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Worth County will require that applicants wishing to cite a landfill must conduct a Hydrological Assessment in accordance with the provisions of DNR Rule 391-3-4- 23.05(1)(k).	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Worth County will require that if an applicant undertakes the Facilities Issues Negotiation Process pursuant to a facility siting decision, the process will be undertaken in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 12-8-32 and any guidelines issued by the Department pursuant to State law.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Worth County will require that companies wishing to site a solid waste facility shall submit to the local governing body at least 60 days prior to filing a solid waste permit a "Written Statement of Consistency" that documents general information and how the solid waste facility will impact the community	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Worth County will require that a host fee paid to the local government no less than \$2 per ton.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a

<b>WASTE REDUCTION</b>		FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Responsible Party	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
<b>Worth County</b>															
Support efforts of private aluminum recyclers and voluntary recyclers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Continue to offer free disposal of inert materials to help minimize MSW waste stream	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Educate the public on available resources provided by the State	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
Increase involvement with the public school system to educate school children on the importance of recycling.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	None	n/a
<b>City of Poulan</b>															
Support efforts of private aluminum recyclers and voluntary recyclers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Educate the public on available resources provided by the State	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to offer free disposal of inert materials to help minimize MSW waste stream	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
<b>City of Sumner</b>															
Support efforts of private aluminum recyclers and voluntary recyclers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Educate the public on available resources provided by the State	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
<b>City of Sylvester</b>															
Support efforts of private aluminum recyclers and voluntary recyclers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Continue to offer periodic collection of yard wastes to help minimize inert materials in the waste stream	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Educate the public on available resources provided by the State	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
<b>City of Warwick</b>															
Support efforts of private aluminum recyclers and voluntary recyclers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a
Educate the public on available resources provided by the State	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	City	None	n/a

## **LAND LIMITATION MAP**

The Land Limitation Map on the next page depicts the geographic suitability of land within the county for the purpose of siting a solid waste handling facility.

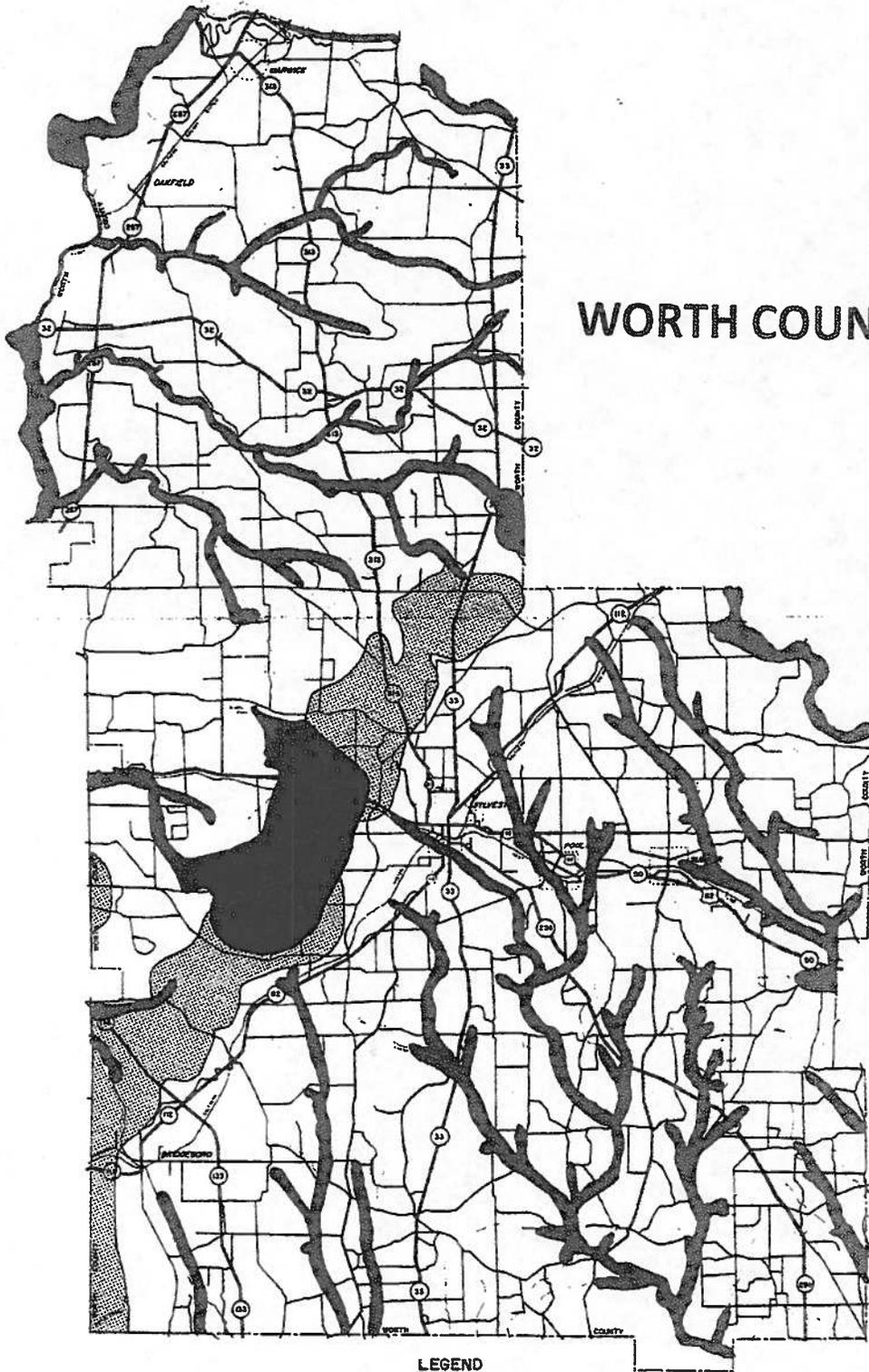
In the areas designated **SEVERE LIMITATIONS**, generally the soil is too porous, the relief too steep, the proximity to a waterway too close, or some combination of these factors. These areas are not suitable for siting a waste handling facility.

In the areas designated **MODERATE LIMITATIONS**, generally at least one of the above variables, often soil type, makes the area somewhat unsuitable for siting a waste handling facility.

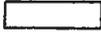
In the areas designated **SLIGHT LIMITATIONS**, the soil type, relief and proximity to streams might allow the siting of a waste handling facility.

# LAND LIMITATION MAP

## WORTH COUNTY



### LEGEND

-  SLIGHT LIMITATIONS
-  MODERATE LIMITATIONS
-  SEVERE LIMITATIONS



**CAPACITY ASSURANCE LETTER(S)**



**SOLID WASTE  
NORTH AMERICA**

Dan E. Miller  
County Commission Chairman  
P.O. Box 337  
Sylvester, GA 31791

Thursday, May 22, 2008

Dear Mr. Miller,

This letter serves as a disposal capacity assurance for waste generated by the cities of Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick from 2008 to 2018.

Waste is currently hauled to the Pecan Row Landfill. The Georgia EPD permit number for the Pecan Row Landfill facility is 092-019-D (MSWL). This facility has a remaining capacity of approximately (3) three years.

After the Pecan Row facility reaches capacity the Evergreen facility, which is contiguous to the Pecan Row facility will accept waste. The Georgia EPD permit number for the Evergreen facility is 092-02219-D (MSWL). This facility has a capacity of approximately (38) thirty-eight years.

This assurance is based upon Worth County and the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick disposing of approximately 26,024 tons of waste at this facility on an annual basis. It is estimated that up to 78,072 tons will be deposited at the Pecan Row facility before closure and an estimated 182,168 tons will be deposited at the Evergreen facility through the planning period.

We thank the cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick for this business partnership and look forward to providing environmentally sound waste disposal options for the foreseeable future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg E. Walk".

Greg E. Walk  
Area Manager

## **RESOLUTIONS**

RESOLUTION 2008-02  
A RESOLUTION  
BY THE CITY OF SYLVESTER  
TO SUBMIT AN UPDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR  
REVIEW TO THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER AND THE  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRIOR TO  
ADOPTION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sylvester, Georgia have found it necessary to update the Worth County Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan to meet the requirements of the Georgia Solid Waste Management Act of 1990; and,

WHEREAS, the update and the adoption of this new Solid Waste Management Plan will insure that the City remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits; and,

WHEREAS, the City will use the new Solid Waste Management Plan to guide public expenditures and public programs relating to solid waste management;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sylvester, Georgia that the updated Solid Waste Management Plan shall be submitted for review and recommendation to the Southwest Georgia Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. We do hereby certify that adequate citizen participation requirements have been met.

Adopted on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
William Yearta, Mayor

(seal)

  
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Witness: Kathy E. Wise, City Clerk

A RESOLUTION

BY THE CITY OF SUMNER

TO SUBMIT AN UPDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR REVIEW TO  
THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND THE  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRIOR TO ADOPTION

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sumner, Georgia have found it necessary to update the Worth County Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan to meet the requirements of the Georgia Solid Waste Management Act of 1990; and,

**WHEREAS**, the update and the adoption of this new Solid Waste Management Plan will insure that the City remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City will use the new Solid Waste Management Plan to guide public expenditures and public programs relating to solid waste management;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sumner, Georgia that the updated Solid Waste Management Plan shall be submitted for review and recommendation to the Southwest Georgia Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. We do hereby certify that adequate citizen participation requirements have been met.

Adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor, James Trammell

  
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Witness

(seal)

**A RESOLUTION  
BY THE CITY OF POULAN  
TO SUBMIT AN UPDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR  
REVIEW TO THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER AND THE  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRIOR TO  
ADOPTION**

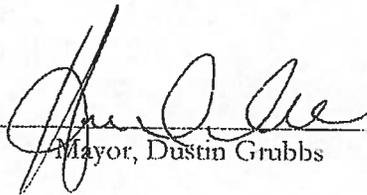
**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Poulan, Georgia have found it necessary to update the Worth County Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan to meet the requirements of the Georgia Solid Waste Management Act of 1990; and,

**WHEREAS**, the update and the adoption of this new Solid Waste Management Plan will insure that the City remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits; and,

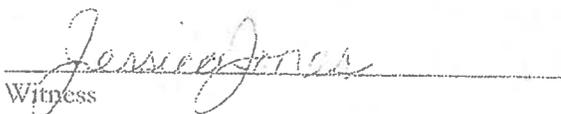
**WHEREAS**, the City will use the new Solid Waste Management Plan to guide public expenditures and public programs relating to solid waste management;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Poulan, Georgia that the updated Solid Waste Management Plan shall be submitted for review and recommendation to the Southwest Georgia Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. We do hereby certify that adequate citizen participation requirements have been met.

Adopted on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor, Dustin Grubbs

(seal)

  
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Witness

**A RESOLUTION  
BY THE CITY OF WARWICK  
TO SUBMIT AN UPDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR  
REVIEW TO THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER AND THE  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRIOR TO  
ADOPTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Warwick, Georgia have found it necessary to update the Worth County Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan to meet the requirements of the Georgia Solid Waste Management Act of 1990; and,

**WHEREAS**, the update and the adoption of this new Solid Waste Management Plan will insure that the City remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City will use the new Solid Waste Management Plan to guide public expenditures and public programs relating to solid waste management;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Warwick, Georgia that the updated Solid Waste Management Plan shall be submitted for review and recommendation to the Southwest Georgia Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. We do hereby certify that adequate citizen participation requirements have been met.

Adopted on the 26 day of February, 2008

  
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Mayor, Alan Peacock

(seal)

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Witness

**A RESOLUTION  
BY WORTH COUNTY  
TO SUBMIT AN UPDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR  
REVIEW TO THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER AND THE  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRIOR TO  
ADOPTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia has found it necessary to update the Worth County Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan to meet the requirements of the Georgia Solid Waste Management Act of 1990; and,

**WHEREAS**, the update and the adoption of this new Solid Waste Management Plan will insure that the County remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County will use the new Solid Waste Management Plan to guide public expenditures and public programs relating to solid waste management;

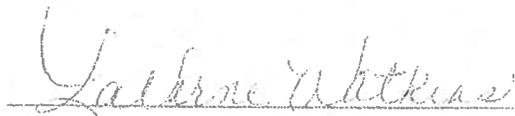
**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia that the updated Solid Waste Management Plan shall be submitted for review and recommendation to the Southwest Georgia Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. We do hereby certify that adequate citizen participation requirements have been met.

Adopted on the 21st day of February, 2008



Dan E. Miller, County Commission Chairman

(seal)



Witness

**A RESOLUTION  
 BY WORTH COUNTY, GEORGIA  
 TO GIVE POWER TO THE COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON TO SIGN A  
 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE WORTH COUNTY CONSOLIDATED  
 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN  
 Resolution WC 08-09**

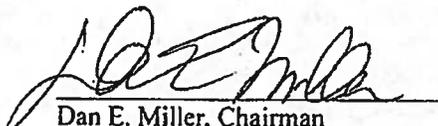
**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia, the Mayor and City Council of Poulan, the Mayor and City Council of Sumner, the Mayor and City Council of Sylvester, and the Mayor and City Council of Warwick have found it necessary to prepare a Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County and the Cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick to met the needs associated with the collection, disposal, and reduction of Solid Waste in the communities and to ensure the planned orderly strategy for Solid Waste Management policies that protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the update and the adoption of this revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan will insure that the County remains in compliance with State law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits, and

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has reviewed this Solid Waste Management Plan and found the plan to be in compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia does hereby adopt the revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County.

Adopted this 4th day of September 2008

  
 Dan E. Miller, Chairman

(seal)

Attest:

  
 Deborah Robinson, County Clerk

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**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE WORTH COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia, the Mayor and City Council of Poulton, the Mayor and City Council of Sumner, the Mayor and City Council of Sylvester, and the Mayor and City Council of Warwick have found it necessary to prepare a solid waste management plan for Worth County and the Cities of Poulton, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick to meet the needs associated with the collection, disposal, and reduction of solid waste in the communities and to ensure the planned orderly strategy for solid waste management policies that protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

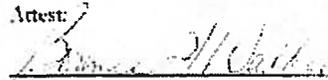
**WHEREAS**, the audit and adoption of this revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan will ensure that the County remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has reviewed this solid waste management plan and found the plan to be in compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council of Sumner, Georgia, do hereby adopt the revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County.

Adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008

  
Mayor  
James Franzenel  
City of Sumner, Georgia

Attest:  
  
Witness

RESOLUTION 2008-13

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE WORTH COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia, the Mayor and City Council of Poulan, the Mayor and City Council of Sumner, the Mayor and City Council of Sylvester, and the Mayor and City Council of Warwick have found it necessary to prepare a solid waste management plan for Worth County and the Cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick to meet the needs associated with the collection, disposal, and reduction of solid waste in the communities and to ensure the planned orderly strategy for solid waste management policies that protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the update and adoption of this revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan will ensure that the County remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits;

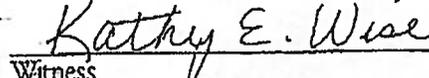
AND WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has reviewed this solid waste management plan and found the plan to be in compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sylvester, Georgia, do hereby adopt the revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County.

Adopted this 21ST day of JULY, 2008.

Attest:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor  
William J. Yeata, Mayor  
City of Sylvester, Georgia

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

(seal)

**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE WORTH COUNTY CONSOLIDATED  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia, the Mayor and City Council of Poulan, the Mayor and City Council of Sumner, the Mayor and City Council of Sylvester, and the Mayor and City Council of Warwick have found it necessary to prepare a solid waste management plan for Worth County and the Cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick to meet the needs associated with the collection, disposal, and reduction of solid waste in the communities and to ensure the planned orderly strategy for solid waste management policies that protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the update and adoption of this revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan will ensure that the County remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits;

AND WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has reviewed this solid waste management plan and found the plan to be in compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Poulan, Georgia, do hereby adopt the revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County.

Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008.

*Hugh D. Grubbs*

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Mayor  
Dustin Grubbs  
City of Poulan, Georgia

Attest:

*Jessica Jones*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

(seal)

**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE WORTH COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of Worth County, Georgia, the Mayor and City Council of Poulan, the Mayor and City Council of Sumner, the Mayor and City Council of Sylvester, and the Mayor and City Council of Warwick have found it necessary to prepare a solid waste management plan for Worth County and the Cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester and Warwick to meet the needs associated with the collection, disposal, and reduction of solid waste in the communities and to ensure the planned orderly strategy for solid waste management policies that protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the update and adoption of this revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan will ensure that the County remains in compliance with state law and retains its eligibility for solid waste loans, grants and permits;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has reviewed this solid waste management plan and found the plan to be in compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council of Warwick, Georgia, do hereby adopt the revised Consolidated Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County.

Adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of Aug, 2008.

Alan F. Peacock  
Mayor  
Alan Peacock  
City of Warwick, Georgia

Attest:  
Judy D. Martin  
Witness

(seal)

Sonny Perdue  
Governor

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**Community Affairs**

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Mike Beatty  
Commissioner

September 11, 2008

Honorable Alan Peacock  
Mayor, City of Warwick  
P.O. Box 59  
Warwick, Georgia 31796-0059

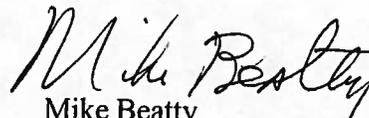
Dear Mayor Peacock:

We have received notification that Worth County and the Cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick have adopted the 2008 - 2018 Solid Waste Management Plan that meets the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management. Accordingly, it is my pleasure to notify you that Worth County and the Cities of Poulan, Sumner, Sylvester, and Warwick remain eligible for solid waste permits, grants and loans.

As you have experienced, in addition to proper and thorough long-range planning, effective solid waste management requires the ability to adapt when circumstances indicate that such action is necessary. Through continued review, and revision when necessary, solid waste planning provides your local government with more control over its destiny and assists you in dealing more effectively with both short-term and long-term management decisions.

We commend you for your hard work and dedication. If you have any questions regarding your solid waste management plan, please call Karen Vickers in our Office of Environmental Management at (404) 679-3152.

Sincerely,

  
Mike Beatty  
Commissioner

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cc: Dan Bollinger, Sr., Executive Director, Southwest Georgia RDC  
Shane Kelsey, Southwest Georgia RDC



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June 25, 2008

Mr. Dan Bollinger, Sr., Executive Director  
Southwest Georgia RDC  
P.O. Box 346  
Camilla, Georgia 31710-0346

Dear Mr. Bollinger:

Our staff has reviewed the revised information for the 2008 – 2018 Solid Waste Management Plan for Worth County and the Cities of Sumner, Sylvester, Poulan, and Warwick. The revisions have brought the plan into compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management. To maintain eligibility for solid waste permits, grants, and loans, Worth County and the Cities of Cities of Sumner, Sylvester, Poulan, and Warwick must adopt the 2008 – 2018 Solid Waste Management Plan as soon as possible.

In order to complete the planning cycle, please forward a copy of the adoption resolutions along with a copy of the revised adopted Solid Waste Management Plan to our office. Once we receive these documents, we will send notification to Worth County and the Cities of Cities of Sumner, Sylvester, Poulan, and Warwick of their renewed eligibility for solid waste grants, loans, and permits.

Sincerely,



Mike Gleaton, Assistant Commissioner  
Planning and Environmental Division

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Cc: Mr. Shane Kelsey, Southwest Georgia RDC

