Municipal Solid Waste Update

Residents of Freedom,

The municipal solid waste landscape is changing as we make the transition from PERC and Norridgewock to Fiberight. Fiberight has informed us of the material they will accept for processing, and Unity Area Recycling Center has changed what items they will accept for recycling. Please read this carefully and make sure your household waste meets these guidelines. This helps us keep things running smoothly and saves your tax dollars.

Unity Area Regional Recycling Center (UARRC)

Our recycling center continues to receive our recyclables, but they have had to stop taking #1 and #3 through #7 plastics. Additionally, they'll still take #4 film plastic. Please only put #2 plastics and #4 film plastics out with your recycling. Put the rest of your plastics in the trash.

The recycling center no longer accepts glass. Please put glass in the trash.

Cardboard, boxboard, paper, and aluminum and steel cans are also being accepted. Please make sure cardboard and paper stay dry.

For the foreseeable future, we'll continue curbside pickup of recycling the last Friday of the month at no cost to you. Some items need to be taken to the recycling center by yourselves such as electronics, light bulbs of all types, batteries, and freon containing items with freon intact like refrigerators, air conditioners and freezers.

Please visit http://www.uarrc.org/ or call 207.568.3117 for more information.

Fiberight

Fiberight, which takes our ordinary trash and recycles much of it, will accept all ordinary household and commercial waste except for the following.

- 1. Demolition or construction debris;
- 2. Car parts;
- Hazardous waste or flammable waste; waste oil; and lubricants or fuels, including gasoline and propane;
- Discarded "white goods," like washing machines, dryers, freezers, refrigerators, etc.
- 5. Discarded "brown goods," like sofas and mattresses;

6. Tires.

Please recall that we'll have a spring cleanup day where you can dispose of many of these things as well as items which will not fit in a trash bag. We'll send a letter detailing spring cleanup as the date gets closer.

Trash Pickup

Your trash is picked up every Thursday, regardless of the weather or holidays. Our crew starts out around 7:00am, so have your trash bags curbside by then. Trash is to be in trash bags that don't weight more than 40 pounds. The Town will not pick up trash that doesn't have a trash sticker and may not pick up trash in larger bags. Stickers are available for purchase at the Town Office or Freedom General Store.

We cannot pick up tires with our weekly trash pickup. You'll have to make arrangements with someone who disposes of tires or wait until spring cleanup. Tires will need a sticker at spring cleanup time.

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