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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

MAR 24 2015

The Honorable Steve Seitz  
Chairperson, Policy Committee  
Wyandot County Solid Waste  
Management District  
109 S. Sandusky Avenue  
Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351

**Re: Wyandot County SWMD  
Long Term Planning for Reg Entity  
Final Approval or Acknowledgement  
Solid Waste Management Planning  
Wyandot County  
SWMD188**

**Subject: Ohio Revised Code Section 3734.55(C)(1) Wyandot County Solid  
Waste Management District's Solid Waste Management Plan  
Approval**

Dear Commissioner Seitz:

The Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Director) has reviewed and approved the ratified draft solid waste management plan update (Plan) for the Wyandot County Solid Waste Management District (District). Director's Final Findings and Orders approving the Plan are enclosed with this letter. Attachment 1 is a summary of the implementation schedule that was derived from the District's Plan.

The District should proceed to implement its approved Plan in accordance with the implementation schedule and timeline contained in the approved Plan and in Attachment 1 to the enclosed Director's Final Findings and Orders. Please be advised that Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3734.55(C)(4) also requires the board of trustees to "...annually review implementation of the approved plan..."

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to ORC Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00 made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The Commission, in its discretion, may reduce the fee if by affidavit it is demonstrated that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall

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be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission  
77 South High Street  
17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

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If you have any questions regarding implementation of the approved Plan, please contact me at (614) 728-5356.

Sincerely,



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Division of Materials and Waste Management

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Enclosures (2): Director's Final Findings and Orders  
Attachment 1 to the Findings and Orders

cc (with enclosures): Jennifer Calvert, Coordinator, Wyandot County Solid Waste  
Management District  
Mike Reiser, Environmental Supervisor, DMWM-NWDO

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MAR 24 2015

BEFORE THE  
**OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

In the matter of:

Wyandot County  
Solid Waste Management District  
11385 County Hwy 4  
Carey, OH 43316

Director's Final  
Findings and Orders

**I. JURISDICTION**

These Director's Final Findings and Orders (Orders) are issued to the Wyandot County Solid Waste Management District (District), pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3734.55(C).

**II. PARTIES**

These Orders shall be binding upon the District.

**III. DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise stated, all terms used in these Orders shall have the same meanings as defined in ORC Chapter 3734 and the rules promulgated thereunder.

**IV. FINDINGS**

The director of Ohio EPA has determined the following findings:

1. Pursuant to ORC Section 3734.56, the policy committee of a solid waste management district (SWMD) with an approved solid waste management plan that contains a planning period of less than fifteen years is required to submit an amended solid waste management plan that complies with the requirements in Divisions (A), (B), (D), and (E)(1) of ORC Section 3734.53 to the director of Ohio EPA on or before the year anniversary of the date the existing solid waste management plan was approved.
2. The District's existing solid waste management plan was approved on October 27, 2010 and covers a planning period of less than fifteen years. The District's draft amended solid waste management plan was due to Ohio EPA on October 27, 2013.

3. On October 21, 2013, Ohio EPA received a draft amended solid waste management plan from the District's Policy Committee.
4. Pursuant to ORC Section 3734.55, the director of Ohio EPA is required to provide the policy committee of a SWMD with a written, nonbinding advisory opinion regarding a draft solid waste management plan and any recommended changes to it that the director considers necessary to effect its approval.
5. On December 5, 2013, Ohio EPA mailed a written, nonbinding advisory opinion concerning the draft amended solid waste management plan received on October 21, 2013 to the District's Policy Committee.
6. Pursuant to ORC Section 3734.55, the policy committee of a SWMD is required to submit a draft solid waste management plan that was ratified in accordance with the criteria established in Division (B) of ORC Section 3734.55 to the director of Ohio EPA to be reviewed for compliance with Divisions (A), (B), (D), and (E)(1) of ORC Section 3734.53.
7. On January 15, 2015, Ohio EPA received a ratified, draft, amended solid waste management plan from the District's Policy Committee.
8. The director has determined that the District's ratified, draft, amended solid waste management plan is in compliance with Divisions (A), (B), (D), and (E)(1) of Section 3734.53 of the ORC.

#### **V. ORDERS**

1. The District's ratified, draft, amended plan that was received by Ohio EPA on January 15, 2015 is hereby approved.
2. The District shall proceed to implement its approved solid waste management plan in accordance with the strategies, programs, and activities described in the ratified, draft, amended solid waste management plan and contained in the implementation schedule included as Attachment 1 to these Orders.

#### **VI. OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS**

All actions required to be taken pursuant to these Orders shall be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

#### **VII. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**


Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent Ohio EPA from seeking legal or equitable relief to enforce the terms of these Orders or from taking other administrative, legal, or equitable action as deemed appropriate and necessary, including seeking penalties against the District for noncompliance with these Orders.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent Ohio EPA from exercising its lawful authority to require the District to perform additional activities pursuant to ORC Chapter 3734 or any other applicable laws in the future. Nothing herein shall restrict the right of the District to raise any administrative, legal, or equitable claim or defense with respect to such further actions which Ohio EPA may seek to require of the District. Nothing in these Orders shall be construed to limit the authority of Ohio EPA to seek relief for violations which may occur.

#### **VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date of these Orders is the date these Orders were entered into the Ohio EPA Director's Journal.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

  
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Craig W. Butler, Director  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

**ATTACHMENT 1 TO THE FINDINGS AND ORDERS**  
**Summary of the Implementation Schedule for the**  
**Wyandot County Solid Waste Management District**

Several sections of the ratified, draft amended solid waste management plan update (Plan) submitted by the Solid Waste Management District or Authority identified above are considered to be part of the implementation schedule required in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3734.53(A)(13). This attachment lists the elements that Ohio EPA understands to constitute the implementation schedule contained in the District's or Authority's Plan. These elements are listed in the table below.

**Implementation Schedule for Facilities, Strategies, Programs and Activities**

1. Elements of the Plan	2. According to the Plan, when will implementation of this strategy begin and end?	3. Which Goal will this strategy be used to demonstrate compliance with?
<b>Commercial/Industrial Sector TA and Education</b>		
9203 Community Connection - District provides assistance to residents, institutions, churches, businesses, etc. to help establish/improve apartment recycling, training to reinforce good recycling habits, conduct workshops, present at meetings, etc. (page V-15)	2018, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
7929 District website (page IV-36 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
<b>Commercial/Industrial Sector Technical Assistance and Education Programs</b>		
3429 Business and Industry Seminar - provides information to targeted companies related to recycling opportunities, how-to-conduct an in-house waste assessment and audit, etc. (pages IV-27, IV-48 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
3428 Business/Industrial Technical Advice - provides technical advice/info. to commercial and industrial sectors and site visits for reduction, reuse, recycling and waste exchange opportunities (pages IV-27, IV-47 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
3430 Business/Industry Waste Audits - professionally conducted waste audits that are offered yearly to businesses/industries throughout the County (pages IV-29, IV-49 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
3431 Reduction and recycling guides (pages IV-28 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
<b>Curbside Recycling, Non-Subscription</b>		
3389 City of Upper Sandusky (pages III-5 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2

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3390 Village of Carey(pages III-5 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
3391 Village of Sycamore (pages III-5 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
<b>Drop-off Recycling</b>		
3393 Village of Marseilles Village area collection (pages III-6 and VI-16 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
3400 Village of McCutchenville area collection (pages III-6 and VI-16 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
<b>Drop-off Recycling, FS, Rural</b>		
5883 Wyandot County Recycling Center (pages III-6 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
<b>Drop-off Recycling, PT, Rural</b>		
3394 City of Upper Sandusky area collection (pages III-6 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
3392 Village of Harpster area collection (pages III-6 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
3399 Village of Kirby area collection (pages III-6 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
3395 Village of Nevada area collection (pages III-6 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
3396 Village of Sycamore area collection (pages III-7 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
3397 Village of Wharton area collection (pages III-6 and VII-7 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
<b>Electronics Collection</b>		
5870 Computer, TV and Other Electronics Collection - year-round collection of these materials at the District Recycling Center (pages IV-25 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
<b>Household Hazardous Waste</b>		
9195 HHW collection event - if the District has available funds, a HHW collection event may be provided (pages V-16 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	optional	Goal 5
3434 HHW education and assistance - provide education and assistance to public through website and publications (page IV-22 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 5
9196 Used Motor Oil - District maintains a list of locations that accept used motor oil (pages IV-23 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 5

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**Industrial Recycling and Reduction**

5869 Business/Industry Recycling Collection - includes collection of certain recyclables, technical advice, assistance, pick-up and equipment (pages IV-21 and VI-17 of Plan Update). existing, ongoing Goal 2  
Goal 3  
Goal 4

**Lead-Acid Battery Programs**

3435 Lead-acid batteries - District maintains a list of locations that accept lead-acid batteries (pages IV-23 and VI-18 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing Goal 5

**Litter Prevention/Clean-Up**

3441 County and Township Highway Litter Collection - provide bags, certificates, prizes etc. to promote litter collection along state, county and township highways, school property, parks and other public lands in County (pages IV-24 and VI-16 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing none

9197 Litter Plan Activities - District works with local health district and local law enforcement work to reduce litter via collections, loaning trash and recycling containers for festivals and other events, etc. (pages V-16 and VI-16 of Plan Update) 2015, ongoing none

**MRFs**

5884 Wyandot County Recycling Center (pages V-17 and VI-16 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing Goal 2

**Other Facilities (1)**

3444 CEW Wyandot Sanitary Landfill (page VI-16 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing none

5886 City of Upper Sandusky Class IV Compost Site (page VI-17 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing Goal 2

5885 Village of Carey Yard Waste Collection Site (page VI-17 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing Goal 2

**Other Programs**

7927 Countywide OCC Collection - collection at small businesses and commercial locations (pages IV-20 and VI-17 of Plan Update) existing, ongoing Goal 2

9206 Expansion and Improvements to Wyandot County Recycling Center - District may assess whether to expand or make improvements to its recycling center (page V-17) 2015, ongoing Goal 2

7931 Incentive Grants - incentives offered to political jurisdictions, local government offices and schools to initiate or expand recycling, purchase recycling containers, items, perform clean-ups, etc. (pages IV-43 and VI-18 of Plan Update) optional, ongoing Goal 2



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9204 Infrastructure Assessment - program purposed to assess residential drop-off options and create an optimal infrastructure plan that meets County needs (pages V-16 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	2015	Goal 2
5872 Other Special Waste Collections - includes the collection of paint, thermometers, school chemicals, batteries throughout the year (pages IV-26 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
9201 Outreach Coalition - program to bring targeted audience members together to determine why residents/communities do not recycle and share regional media campaigns that promote personal action and behavior change (pages V-15 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	2015	Goal 2 Goal 3 Goal 4 2009 State Plan: Goal 4
3406 Per Capita Community Grants - annual grants given to City of Upper Sandusky, Village of Carey and Village of Sycamore to help the costs of maintaining non-subscription curbside programs (pages IV-11 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 1 Goal 2
9205 Survey Data - District will annually survey industries, recyclers, processors, haulers, etc. (pages V-17 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	2015, ongoing	Goal 2
5881 Targeting Paper Products - program designed to capture more OCC through placement of dumpsters at high generation commercial businesses and blue bins in school classrooms and offices in the County (pages IV-37 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
5882 Targeting Single Serve Containers - designed to expand the collection of glass, PETE and aluminum materials (pages IV-38 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
8014 Teacher Newsletter - newsletter created specifically for school staff containing District resource list, information about school recycling, schedule for upcoming District activities, environmental quotes, etc. (pages IV-35 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
<b>Other Residential/Commercial Recycling</b>		
5871 Appliance/White Goods Drop-off - throughout the year the district will accept appliances/white goods from district residents at its MRF (pages IV-25 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2
5867 Business/Industry Recycling Collection - includes collection of certain recyclables, technical advice, assistance, pick-up and equipment (pages IV-21 and VI-17 of Plan Update).	existing, ongoing	Goal 2 Goal 3 Goal 4
3401 City of Upper Sandusky OCC collection - OCC collection at small businesses and commercial locations (pages IV-19 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2

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3402 Countywide School District Recycling Collection - includes technical support to schools regarding the maintenance of recycling programs as well as pick up of materials, processing and marketing of materials (pages IV-21 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 2 Goal 3 Goal 4
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<b>Residential Sector Education and Awareness</b>
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9202 Community Connection - District provides assistance to residents, institutions, churches, businesses, etc. to help establish/improve apartment recycling, training to reinforce good recycling habits, conduct workshops, present at meetings, etc. (page V-15)	2018, ongoing	Goal 2 Goal 3 Goal 4
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5873 Composting Awareness - provides "Don't Bag It", composting information and brochures to citizens along with demonstrations and workshops to promote backyard composting (pages IV-33 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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3417 Contests - District sponsors and promotes various contests on recycling and litter as awareness/educational activities such as t-shirts, posters, etc. (pages IV-34 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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3423 County Fairbooth - reflects a different recycling theme every year; provides informational handouts on all solid waste and reduction issues and "hands on" activities along with contests and prize drawings (pages IV-30 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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7928 District website (page IV-36 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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3416 Educational facility - part of the District's office space, District utilizes this space along with its recycling center and the County landfill as educational tools for citizens (pages IV-32 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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3426 Environmental educators - District has a part-time environmental educator that works throughout the year educating preschool through adults (page IV-33 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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3427 Handout of all residential recycling opportunities (pages IV-37 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 4
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9200 Master Recycler Program - District strategy focused on outreach; purpose is to increase participation in recycling programs through the use of social influence (pages V-14 and VI-18)	2015, ongoing	Goal 2 Goal 3 Goal 4
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3414 Media Ads - includes radio advertisements, and on occasion, local newspaper advertisements, billboards, signs, posters, etc. addressing reduce, reuse and recycling issues (pages IV-30 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
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3415 Other Awareness Activities - on a random basis, district displays at various events, builds floats and/or participates in parades, provides awareness materials and/or door prizes, etc. (pages IV-31 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
5878 Other Miscellaneous Activities - includes all programs which are not already listed in schedule and could include essay contests, post-office collection, grant writing and administration, media blitz, etc. (pages IV-44 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
7932 Public Newsletter - quarterly newsletter created for the general public that contains District and recycling information, schedule for upcoming events, environmental quotes, etc. (pages IV-35 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
3425 Resource Lending Library - extensive environmental resource library that contains curriculum guides, videos, books, magazines, periodicals, papers and brochures that is available to the public (pages IV-43 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
5877 School Presentations - education specialist and/or coordinator visits schools throughout the County and gives presentations that are varied from year to year (pages IV-42 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
3422 Science Fair Program - activity promotes participation in science fair projects and in projects related to the environment through classroom visits and a resource library (pages IV-41 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
3419 Teacher and Sharing Workshops - annual activity that is conducted to make teachers and others aware of environmental issues associated with solid waste, recycling and pollution and how District can be a resource (pages IV-39 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
5875 Third and Fourth Grade Classroom Visits - includes activities targeting third and fourth grade students related to an environmental topic and poster contest (pages IV-40 and VI-18 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4
9199 Wy Not Recycle! - District strategy focused on outreach; purpose is to increase participation in recycling programs by changing behaviors through persuasive arguments (pages V-13 and VI-18)	2015	Goal 2 Goal 3 Goal 4
3420 Youth Programs - assistance to individuals and advisors to teach members of their clubs about litter and solid waste issues; District working with clubs when they hold recycling collections and litter pick-ups, etc (pages IV-40 and VI-8 of Plan Update)	existing, ongoing	Goal 3 Goal 4

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**Scrap Tire Programs**

3432 Scrap Tire Collection - if funds allow, District will provide a yearly tire collection (pages IV-23 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	optional	Goal 2 Goal 5
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**Web Page and Social Media**

9198 Webpage Upgrade - District will update webpage with equipment, service and design (pages V-12 and VI-17 of Plan Update)	2015	Goal 3 Goal 4 Goal 5
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