

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Jeannine McCrumb, Compliance Specialist

DATE: November 9, 2023

RE: Asphalt Shingles Waiver Extension Request

Myers Recycling Facility submitted a request to extend the waiver to the separation and collection requirements for asphalt shingles. They are also seeking to extend the Solid Waste Management Fee exemption applied to this material.

In August of 2022, the Board agreed to a temporary waiver of the separation and collection requirements for asphalt shingles for the period 9/1/22 – 8/31/23. In addition, and subject to approval for use by the VT Agency of Natural Resources (VTANR) and the New England Waste Services Landfill in Vermont (NEWSVT), the Board agreed to waive the Solid Waste Management Fee associated with previously stockpiled material during this same period. The stockpiled material was approved for use as road base in January of 2023.

In August of 2023, Myers requested, and the Board agreed to an extension of the waivers through December 31, 2023.

Staff researched regional options (MA, CT, ME) and does not believe viable markets exist for the cost-effective recycling of this material. Staff thus recommends the waiver of the separation and collection requirements for asphalt shingles be continued indefinitely. CSWD will continue to work with the Agency of Natural Resources, the Agency of Transportation, recycling facilities and other stakeholders to explore opportunities for recycling and reuse of this material.

Be it Resolved that the Chittenden Solid Waste District's Board of Commissioners hereby waives until further notice the separation and collection requirements for asphalt shingles as described in the Solid Waste Management Ordinance.

Myers Recycling indicated that as of October 26th, they have shipped ~570 tons of shingles to the NEWSVT landfill in Coventry for use as road base material. This equates to about 20 vehicle trips. Previous Board discussion in 2022 included the option of applying the fee exemption to the shingles 'on hand' which was estimated at 5000 tons. At that time, Myers indicated their preference would be to institute the exemption for a year. Staff recommends shingles, as approved by VTANR and NEWSVT for use in road building at the landfill, be charged 25% of the Solid Waste Management Fee (\$6.75/ton) effective January 1, 2024.

Be it Resolved that the Chittenden Solid Waste District's Board of Commissioners authorizes that asphalt shingles processed by Myers Recycling Facility and which are approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources for use as landfill road base be assessed twenty-five percent (25%) of the Solid Waste Management Fee, with an effective date of January 1, 2024.