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Waste Determinations and Documentation

DNR has updated the 2007 document, WA 1152 "Is Your Waste Hazardous?" to provide assistance to generators, consultants, and environmental contractors in making waste determinations for hazardous and non-hazardous wastes, and documenting those decisions for compliance and disposal purposes.

The draft document has been renamed Waste Determinations and Documentation and includes:

- an improved waste evaluation flowchart,
- a discussion on applying objective knowledge - sometime referred to as "generator knowledge", and
- a sample waste determination documentation form.

This draft guidance is available for public comment until November 21, 2016. Review the draft guidance [here](#).

Recycling Excellence Award Winners

The DNR recently announced the winners of the 2016 Wisconsin Recycling Excellence Awards. This program recognizes outstanding achievements in four categories including Overall Program, Projects & Initiatives, Special Events and Innovation. More information on the awards program and the 2016 recipients is available on the Department's website.

[2016 Recycling Excellence Award Winners](#)



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DNR names new Recycling and Solid Waste Section Chief

The DNR Waste and Materials Management Program is happy to announce that Joe Van Rossum accepted a position with the DNR and began in his new role as the Recycling and Solid Waste Section Chief October 31st. Joe has been a prominent member of Wisconsin's recycling and solid waste community for more than 20 years, and most recently worked as a UW-Extension natural resources educator



Prior to this role, Joe spent eleven years working for the Solid and Hazardous Waste Education Center (SHWEC) of the UW-Extension as a recycling specialist and eventually, center director. As a state specialist, Joe provided technical assistance to businesses, local units of government and solid waste professionals in the areas of recycling, composting, solid waste management and reduction.

Before joining SHWEC in 2004, Joe was the recycling manager for Brown County and an environmental specialist with Fort Howard Corporation in Green Bay. Joe has a Bachelor's degree in water and wastewater management from University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and a Master's degree in Environment and Resources from University of Wisconsin-Madison.

In his new role at the DNR, Joe will be responsible for managing the Recycling and Solid Waste section of the Bureau of Waste and Materials Management. He can be reached at (608) 264-6286 or Joseph.VanRossum@wisconsin.gov.

Celebrate America Recycles Day



America Recycles Day (ARD) has been the only nationally-recognized day dedicated to promoting and celebrating recycling in the United States since 1997. Every year on and around Nov. 15, thousands of local event organizers mobilize throughout their communities to educate millions of people about recycling.

One of the biggest barriers to recycling is knowing what items can and cannot be recycled. To aid in this education, the Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin (AROW) will host the "12 Days of America Recycles Day." Using the hashtag, #12DaysofARD, social media tools Facebook and Twitter will be used to share tips on reducing waste and recycling more. The celebration starts Nov. 2 and runs through Nov. 15. For more information go to <http://www.recyclemorewisconsin.org/>.

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New air quality tool available for Wisconsin citizens and businesses

Madison - The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources recently launched the [Air Management Data Viewer \(AMDV\)](#), the department's new web-based mapping application that provides information on air permitted facilities across Wisconsin.

The Viewer allows citizens easy access to information on active air permitted facilities and also includes the annual emissions reported by facilities in tons per year. The public can use the AMDV to find general information on facilities, or stack different layers of information on top of one another for a more complex view. Examples of these more complex views include viewing a layer of the state's Air Quality Monitoring Network over the facility location map for reference, or viewing areas of the state designated as not meeting U.S. EPA air quality standards in relation to facility locations. All content is updated quarterly to remain accurate.

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