

**9215.0610 YARD WASTE PROGRAMS.**

Subpart 1. **Content.** The plan must include the information on the yard waste management programs and practices in the county, district, or multicounty area described in this part.

Subp. 2. **Policies and goals.** The plan must:

A. contain a description of the yard waste separation and composting goals and policies that the county, district, or multicounty area has established;

B. describe methods for identifying the portions of the waste stream such as leaves, grass clippings, tree and plant residue, and paper for use in agricultural practices in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.46, subdivision 2, paragraph (d); and

C. recognize the prohibition on disposal of yard waste in the land and at resource recovery facilities in Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.931.

Subp. 3. **Existing yard waste management programs.** The plan must describe existing public and private sector yard waste management programs in the county, district, or multicounty area. The plan must also include an estimated level of backyard composting, the yard waste collection system including licensed haulers, if any; number of county, district, and municipal composting sites; tonnages collected for the last five years, if available; the county's, district's, or multicounty area's financial and staff commitment; and local market conditions for finished yard waste compost.

Subp. 4. **Specific programs to be developed.** The plan must describe any new or existing yard waste programs that the county, district, or multicounty area proposes to maintain, expand, or implement during the next ten years, including the annual yard waste tonnage to be collected, processed, and marketed and the responsible persons and estimated staff time necessary to implement and manage each program.

Subp. 5. **Program budget.** The plan must estimate the annual costs to be incurred by the county, district, or multicounty area in implementing and managing yard waste programs over the next ten years, including itemized capital and operating costs.

Subp. 6. **Schedule of implementation.** The plan must include a schedule for the implementation of proposed yard waste programs described in this part.

Subp. 7. **Environmental impacts of yard waste management.** The plan must briefly describe any odor problems, leachate generation, or other impacts of yard waste management that have occurred in the county, district, or multicounty area.

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