

# Mid Michigan Waste Authority



# COMMUNITY connection

A monthly update from the Mid Michigan Waste Authority

December 2018

## Upcoming Events

### Holiday Lights Recycling Drive

Various drop-off locations  
Nov 15 - Jan 15, 2019

### MMWA Executive Cmte Meeting

MMWA Office  
Thursday, Jan 24 @ 9:30 AM



## Christmas, New Year's Day holidays will impact trash collection in some communities

The upcoming Christmas and New Year's Day holidays do impact solid waste collection services provided to all 34 MMWA member communities. There will be no trash or recycling collection provided on Tuesday, December 25 or Tuesday, January 1.

Collection services will be delayed one day for communities with Tuesday through Friday service days. Residents should prepare and set out materials one day later than they normally do during the holiday weeks. Those with Monday service days will not be impacted and should put their materials out on their regular day.

In observation of the holiday, the MMWA office will be closed on Tuesday, December 25 and Tuesday, January 1, and will reopen at 8:30 am the following day.



**CHRISTMAS  
TREE  
PICKUP  
INFORMATION**

Right now we are in the middle of the excitement of the holiday season, but by the end of the month area residents will be facing the chore of putting away their decorations and disposing of their fresh cut Christmas trees.

Residents in all 34 communities served by the Mid Michigan Waste Authority can put their fresh Christmas trees to the curb by 7 am on their regular trash day throughout the month of January.

Residents do not need to remove ornaments, tinsel, garland or other decorative items, and trees can be put to the curb with or without a tree bag.

Trees that are frozen to the ground or covered with snow will not be collected until they can be safely accessed by the driver. Large or heavy trees may have to be picked up by the bulk truck, and in those cases, trees should be collected within two days of the resident's regular service day.

The service applies only to Christmas trees that have been used as indoor holiday décor. State law prohibits yard waste and vegetation from being disposed of in the landfill; however, the ban does not apply to Christmas trees. Artificial trees may be placed to the curb as a bulky item at any time of year.

## MMWA holiday light recycling drive runs through Jan 15

Help keep strings of holiday lights out of the landfill and support the CAN Council during MMWA's fourth annual Holiday Light Recycling Drive project, which runs through Jan. 15.

Collection bins can be found at Bridgeport Twp Governmental Center, the CAN Council offices in Saginaw and Bay City, Kochville Twp Office, Mid Michigan Waste Authority, Richland Twp Office, Saginaw Twp Dept of Public Services, St Charles Disitrcit Library, Thomas Twp Public Safety Building, Tittabawassee Twp Park (during the Freeland Light Show), Wheeler Twp office, and Zilwaukee City Administration Building.

For more information, visit the MMWA website, [www.recyclemotion.org](http://www.recyclemotion.org).



## In November 2018

Ten MMWA member communities had **ZERO** valid RCLs and six communities had **ONE**.

**A valid RCL is when a Waste Management collection worker returns to the address to provide collection service.**