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Once Again Marion County Leads The State in Recycling

Earlier this week, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) released its 16th annual survey of garbage haulers and private recycling and composting companies. The report shows that once again Marion County leads the state in recycling efforts with a rate of 56.5%. This “recovery rate,” includes recycling, composting and material burned for energy recovery. The average statewide is 46.7%.

"We're happy to see that the residents and businesses of Marion County continue to do an excellent job in reducing their waste and continue to enhance recycling efforts, said Marion County Environmental Services Senior Engineer Jeff Bickford. “This is helping us to reach our state-mandated goal of 54% recovery by the year 2009. Of course, we would like to continue to expand this effort and do even better in the future."

The “2007 Oregon Material Recovery and Waste Generation Rates Report” is available at: <http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/pubs/docs/sw/2007MRWGRatesReport.pdf>.

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