

# Marion County's unique solid waste system

What makes us different from other jurisdictions in Oregon?

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# Waste Hierarchy

**Integrated Solid Waste Management** 





# Integrated Solid Waste Management

...is a strategic approach to sustainable management of solid wastes covering all sources and all aspects, including:

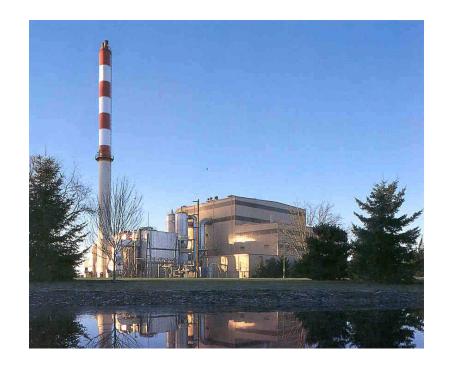
- Generation
- Separation
- Transfer
- Sorting
- Recovery and disposal

Waste is managed in an integrated manner, with an emphasis on maximizing resource use efficiency.



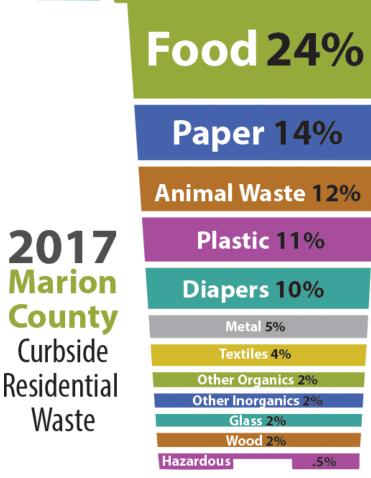
# Solid Waste Facilities & Programs

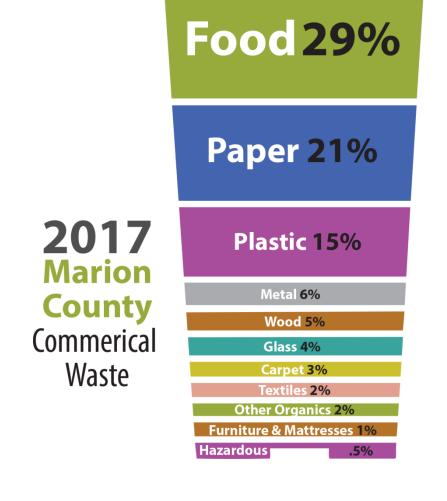
- Waste-to-Energy Facility
- Ash Landfill
- Transfer Stations
- Demolition Landfill
- Compost Facility
- Household Hazardous Waste Facility
- Recycling Programs





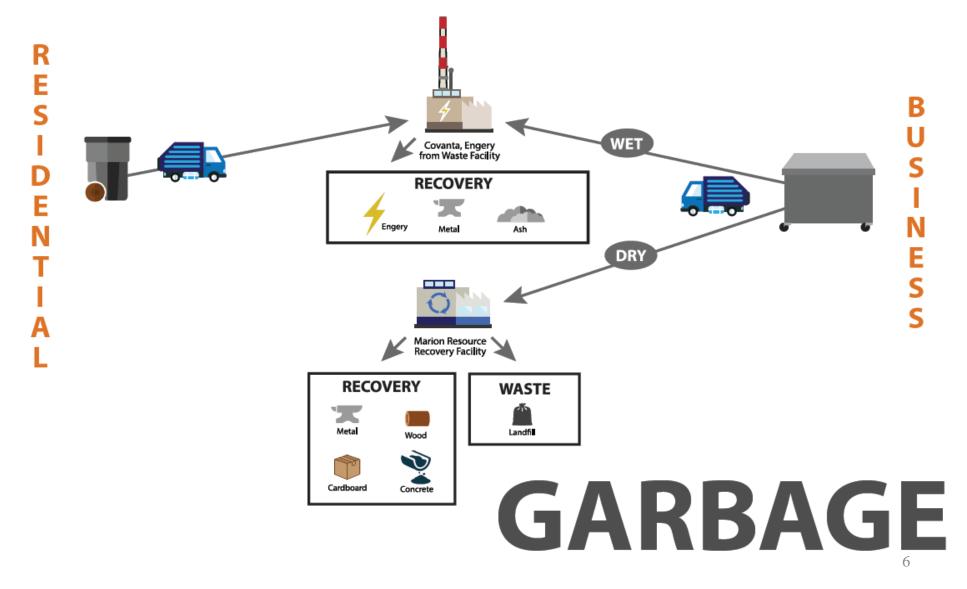
## What's in our garbage?







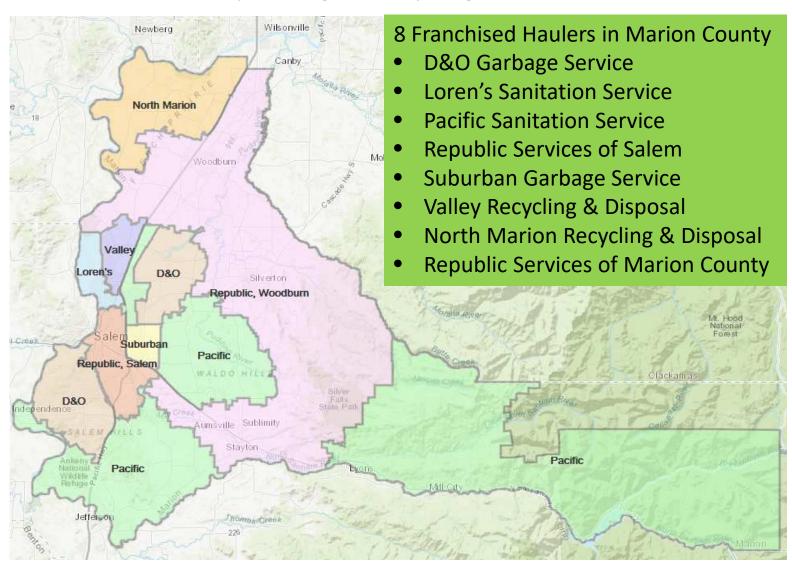
# Where does the material go?





### Who are the Key Partners in the System?

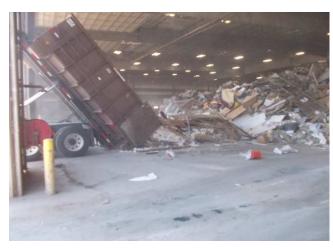
Mid-Valley Garbage & Recycling Association (MVGRA)





## **Key Partners**

#### Marion Resource Recovery Facility, LLC (MRRF)



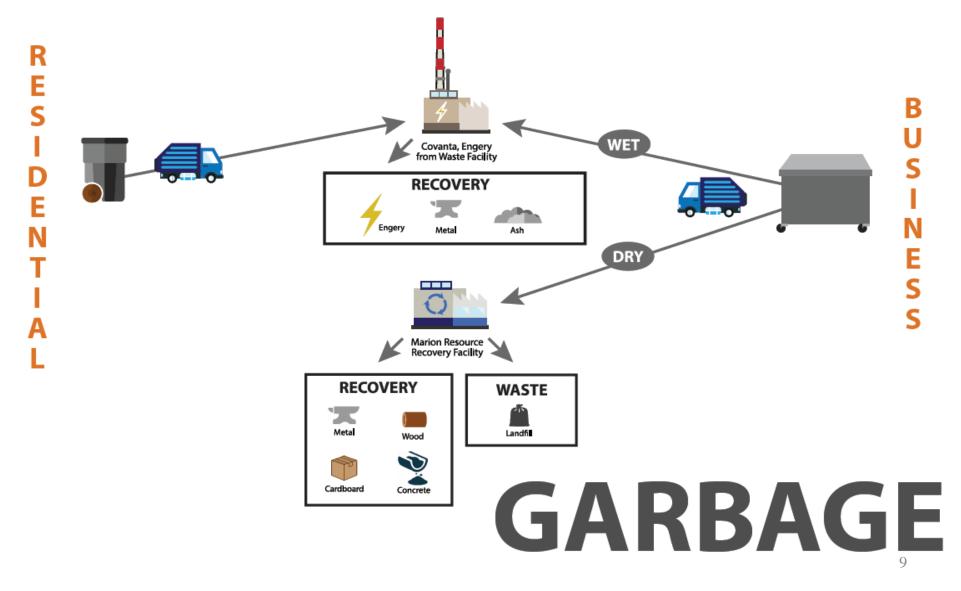


- Inbound mixed waste of ~170,000 tons per year
- Materials Recovered:
  - Electronics & batteries
  - Metal & cardboard
  - Concrete & sheetrock
  - Tires & rims
  - Process ~15,500 tons of wood waste per year

Owned and Operated by the Mid-Valley Garbage & Recycling Association



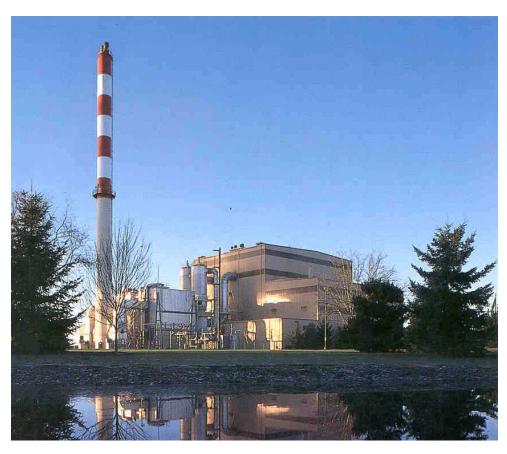
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## **Key Partners**

#### Covanta Marion, Inc. (Brooks, OR)

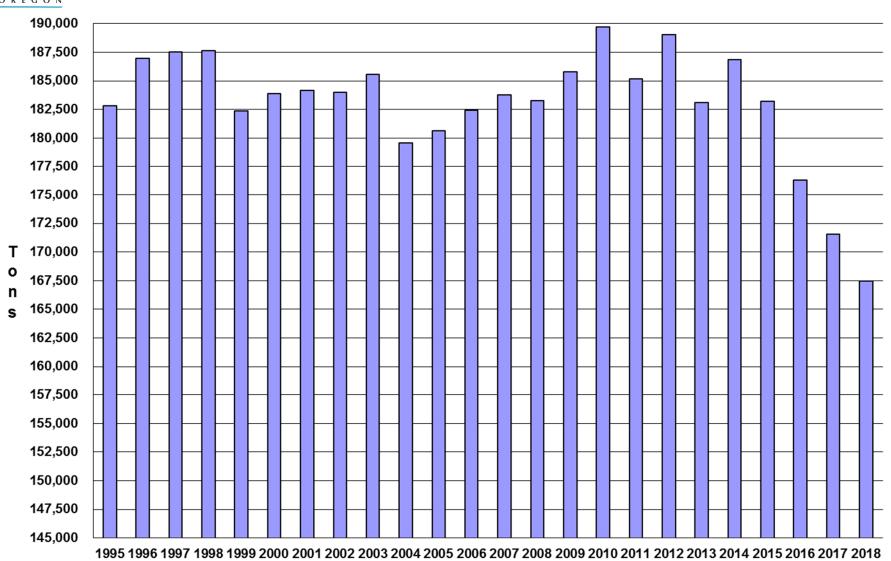


- Processes (burns) ~172,000 tons of solid (mostly residential) waste per year
- Recycles ~7,200 tons of ferrous & 375 tons of nonferrous metals annually
- Generates up to 13 MW per Hour of electricity
- Strong Environmental Performance

Owned and Operated by Covanta

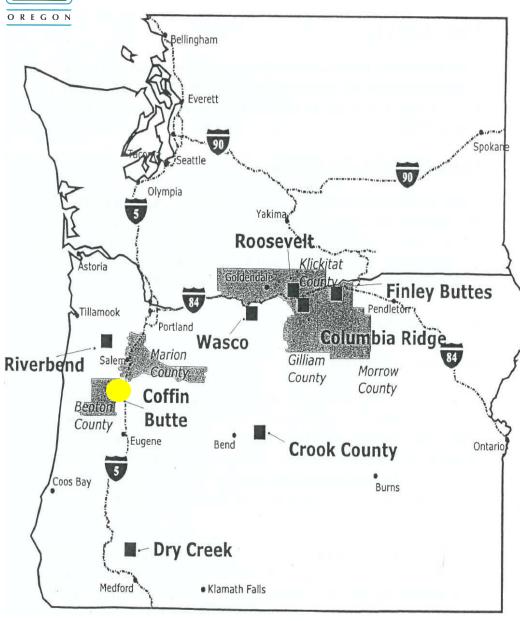


## Covanta Marion, Inc.





### **Landfill Options in the Northwest**



Coffin Butte Landfill

- Republic Services, Inc.
- ~34 years capacity

Wasco County Landfill

- Waste Connections, Inc.
- over 100 years capacity

Columbia Ridge Landfill

- Waste Management, Inc.
- ~121 years capacity

Finley Buttes Landfill

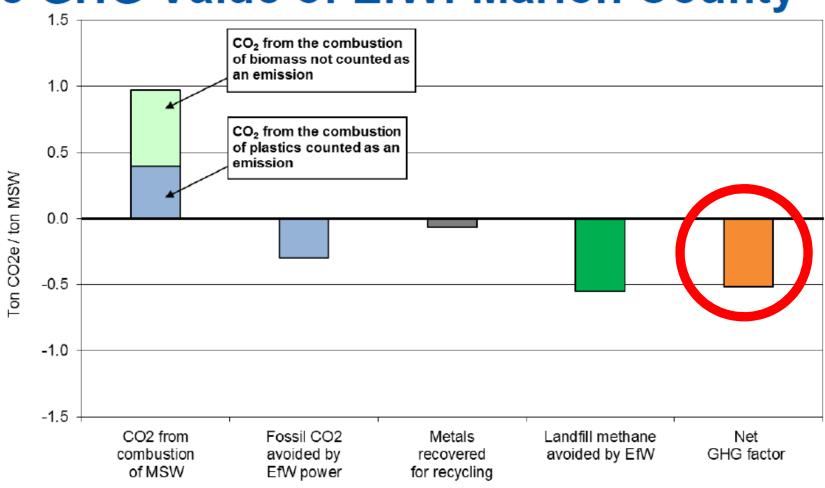
- Waste Connections, Inc.
- over 200 years capacity

Used by Marion County



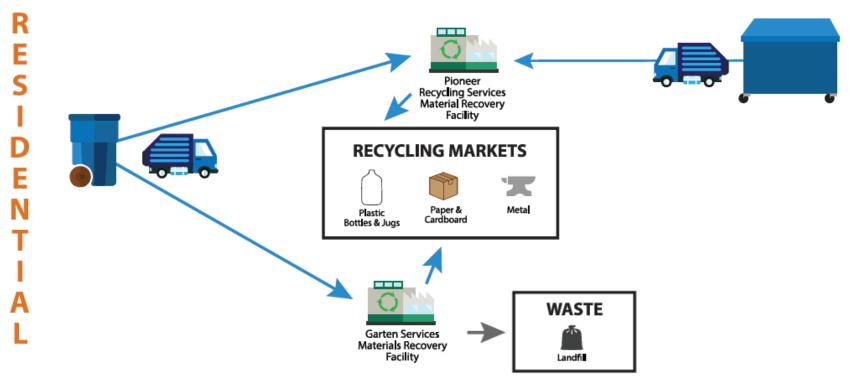
# How does Energy-from-Waste and Landfilling affect the Environment?

# The GHG Value of EfW: Marion County





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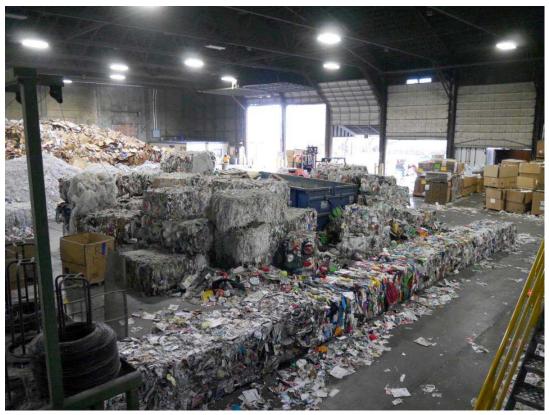


# RECYCLING



## **Key Partners**

#### Garten Recycling



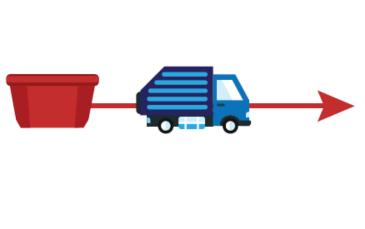
- Hand-sort and process comingled recycled material collected by haulers. (~50% of residential generation in Marion County or ~12,500 tons per year)
- Work individually with local businesses and government agencies on recycling needs.
- Maintain on-site recycling center
- Re-use store
  - Tablets and cell phones
  - Computers & electronics

Owned and Operated by Garten Services, Inc.



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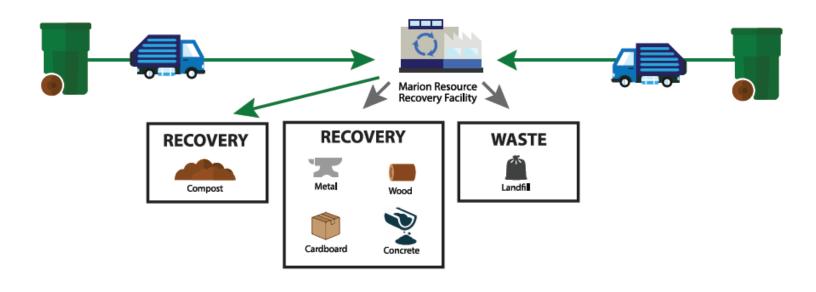








# Where does the material go?



# **ORGANICS**



# Solid Waste Facilities & Programs

- Waste-to-Energy Facility
- Ash Landfill
- Transfer Stations
- Demolition Landfill
- Compost Facility
- Household Hazardous Waste Facility
- Recycling Programs





## **Key Partners**

#### Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)



Owned by Marion County and Operated by a private hazardous waste services contractor

- ~180,000 to 220,000 pounds of waste collected annually
- Located at Salem-Keizer Recycling & Transfer Station
- Household hazardous waste is accepted free of charge from non-business residents
- Conditionally exempt small quantity generators can use the facility; however they will be charged by the pound (\$100.00 minimum)



# Who are the Key Partners?

### North Marion Recycling & Transfer Station

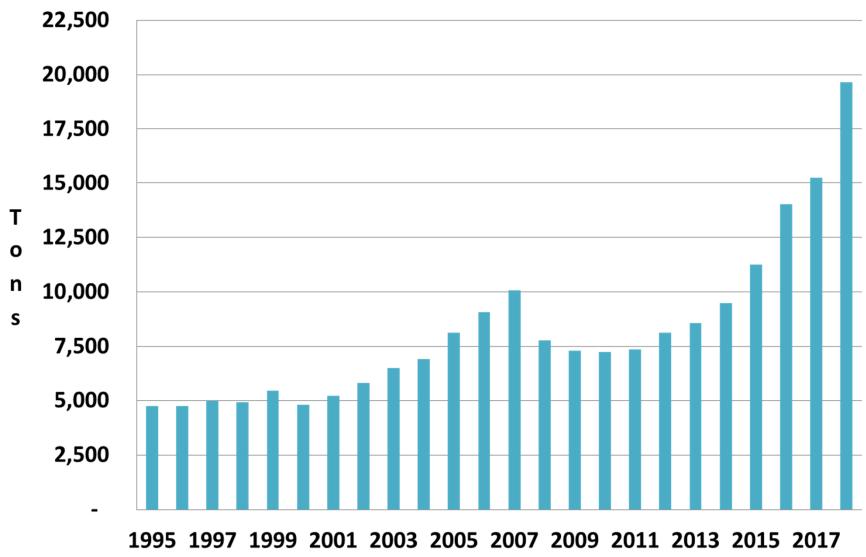


- Over 35,000 customers annually
- Materials Received for a Fee
  - Garbage
  - Yard Debris
  - Wood Waste
  - Appliances
  - Tires
- Recycle Center Free
- Ash Monofill

Owed and Operated by Marion County



## North Marion Recycling & Transfer Station





## **Key Partners**

### Salem-Keizer Recycling & Transfer Station

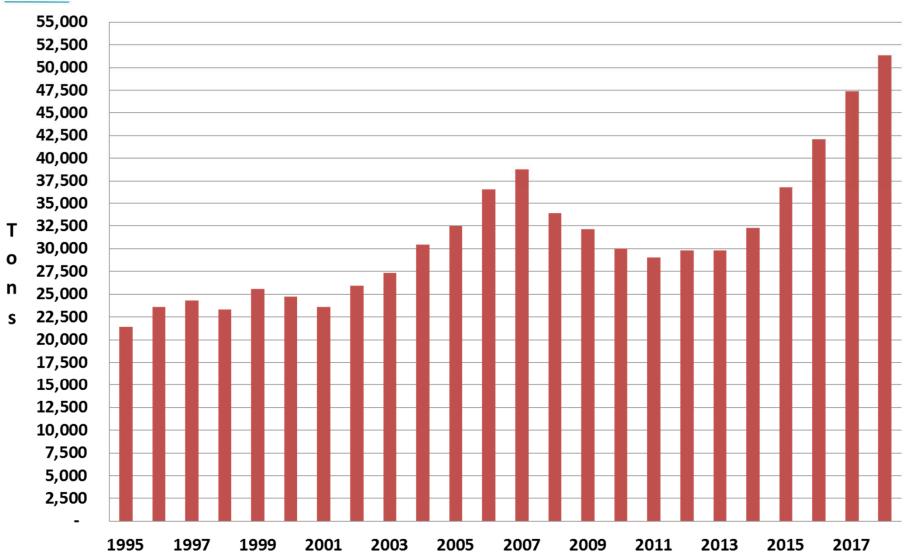


- Over 122,000 customers annually
- Materials Received for a Fee
  - Garbage
  - Yard Debris
  - Wood Waste
  - Appliances
  - Tires
- Recycle Center Free

Owed and Operated by Republic Services, Inc.



## Salem-Keizer Recycling & Transfer Station





## **Key Partners**

#### Brown's Island Demolition Landfill / Compost



#### Construction & Demolition Debris

~55,000 yards disposed per year

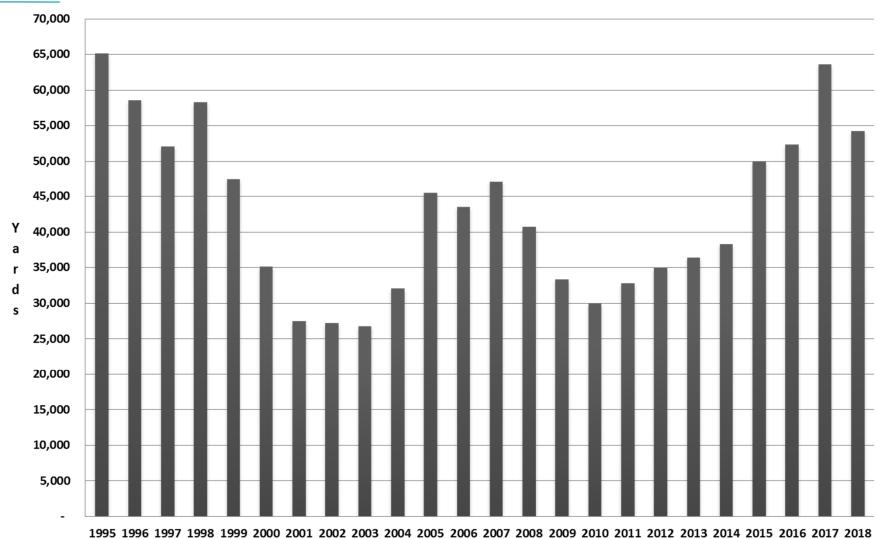
#### **Compost Operation**

- ~25,000 yards composted per year
- Main Sources of Material
  - City of Salem ~15,000 yards
  - NMRTS ~6,500 yards
  - Tree Services ~3,000 yards

Owned and Operated by Marion County



### Brown's Island Construction & Demolition Landfill

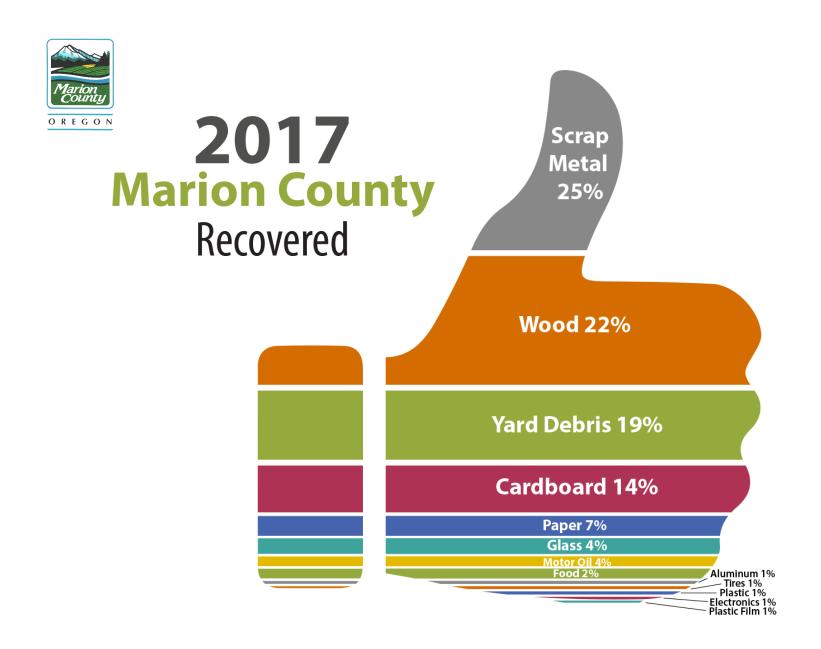




# County-Operated Recycling

- Electronics
- Paint
- Batteries
- Fluorescent Lamps
- Household hazardous Waste
- Styrofoam
- Tires







## **Marion County Value Added Programs**









HHW
Recycle
Right
Bulbs
Appliances

Styrofoam

Recycle

Multifamily E-Waste Batteries Cooking Oil



Save the Food
Less Stuff | More Life
Junk Mail
Ren

Repair Fair & Share Ditch

Disposables

Paint

Reduce
Reuse Challenge
Earth Day
Durables
Swaps

Master Recycler
Recycle Guide
Waste Matters
Art Calendar
Waste Matters Radio
EarthWISE

Green Awards OGS earth SE
Workplace Initiative for Sustainable Emorphise

Choose Reuse

Reuse

Reuse Rumble







Compost Demo Sites

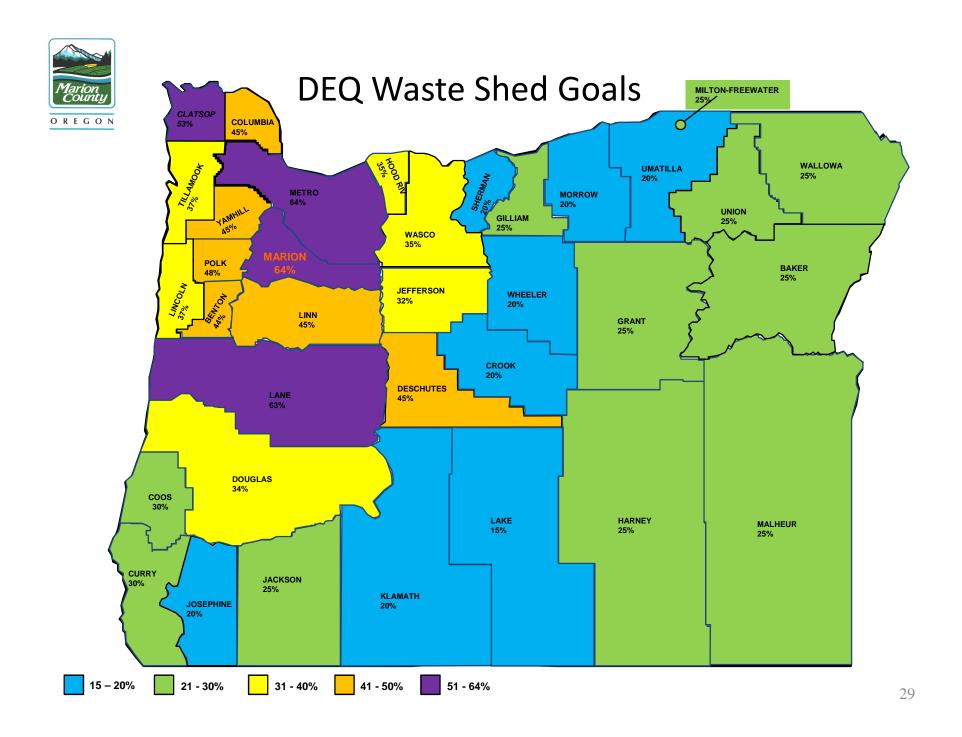
Curbside

Collection

Leaf Haul Composters at Cost

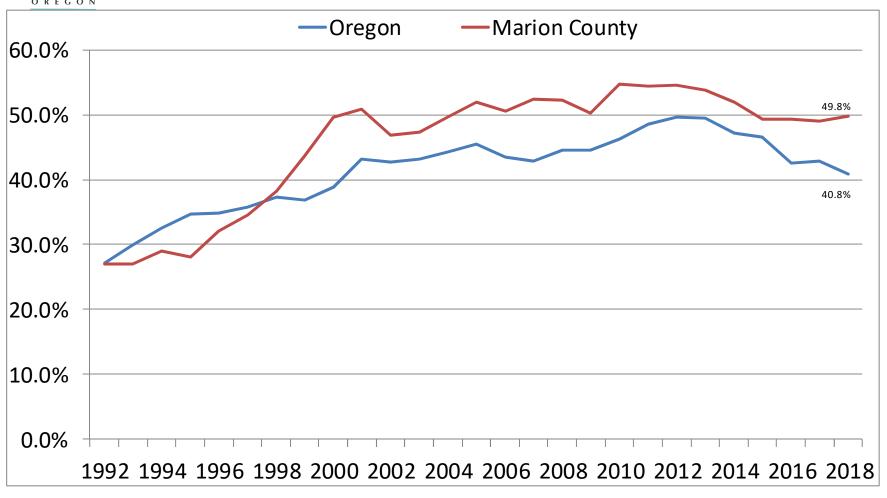
Compost







# **Recovery Rate Comparison**

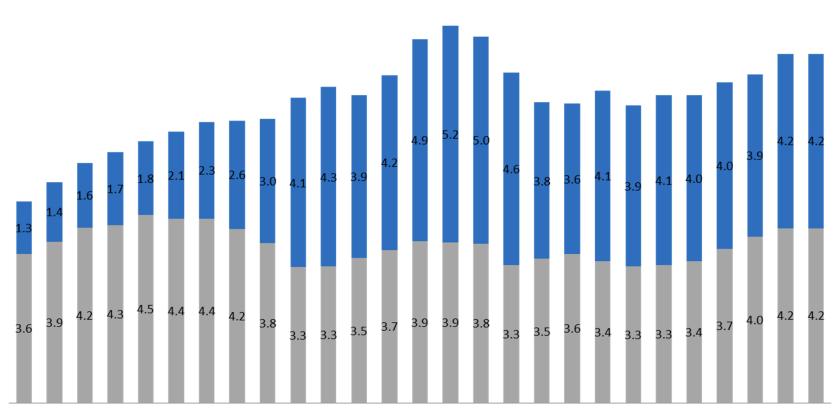




# How much do you throw away?

#### Average amount of waste per day per person in Marion County

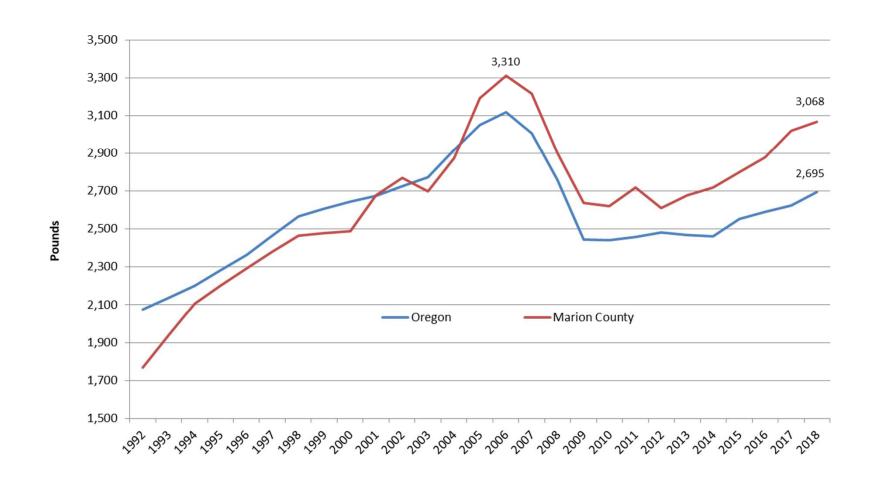
■ Pounds/Person/Day (Disposed) ■ Pounds/Person/Day (Recovered)



1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2,018



# **Annual per Capita Waste Generation**





# 2018 Ch-Ch-Ch-Changes









# How can you become more involved?

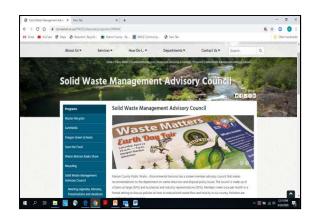
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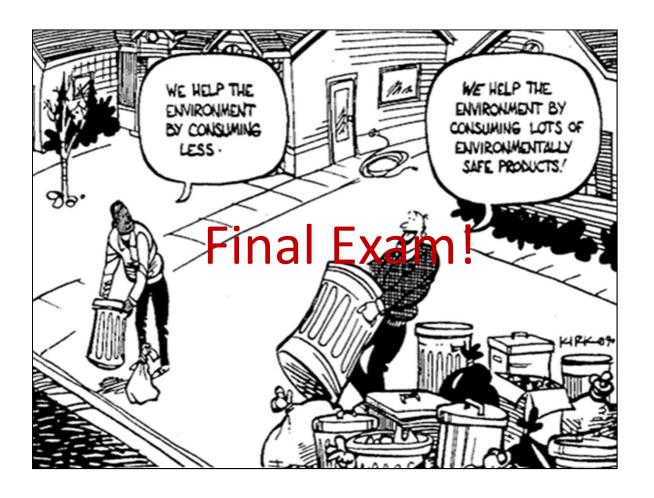
# How can you become more involved?



### **Check out upcoming webinars**

- Recycling today
- Materials management and LCA
- Upcycling materials for fun and profit
- Avoiding household hazardous waste
- And more!







# Questions?



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