# Solid Waste & Recycling

## Cass County Environmental Services
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## Cass County Operated Transfer Sites

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<td>1705 State 371 SW, Backus MN (2 miles north of Pine River on Hwy 371)</td>
<td>218-587-3500</td>
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<td>Walker/Hackensack Transfer Site</td>
<td>4524 44th ST NW, Hackensack 56452 (2.5 miles N of Hackensack on Hwy 371)</td>
<td>218-675-6807</td>
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<td>May Township Transfer Site</td>
<td>4972 112th ST SW, Pillager MN (2 1/2 miles W of junction of Cass Co 1 &amp; 34)</td>
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## Independently Operated Transfer Sites (Serving Cass County)

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<td>3246 Cty 7 NE Remer, MN 5 miles east of Longville on Cass Co 7</td>
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<td>Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Transfer Station</td>
<td>6250 152nd ST SW, Cass Lake</td>
<td>218-335-4160</td>
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<td>Crooked Lake Township Transfer Site</td>
<td>509 State 6 NE, Outing, MN, Crooked Lake Townhall (1/2 mile north of Outing on Hwy 6)</td>
<td>218-838-1619</td>
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Note: Independently Operated Transfer Sites may require fees for services that county owned facilities do not. Fee charged for garbage at all County and Independent sites.

## Demo Disposal Sites

- **Grinning Bear Demo Disposal**
  - Pine River - Pequot Lakes Area: 218-587-4990
- **Hengel Demo Disposal**
  - Gull Lake, Pequot Lakes, Pillager & Pine River Areas: 218-746-3355
- **Hoss's Demo Disposal**
  - Walker Area: 218-547-3655
- **Slagle Demo**
  - Longville - Remer Area: 218-363-2246

## Metals & Auto Salvage

- **Pine River Iron & Metal**
  - Pine River: 218-587-2700

## Roll-Off Containers for Demo Debris

- **Allied Sanitation, LLC, Western Cass Co**: 218-732-9925
- **Blue Lakes Roll-Off Service, Brainerd**: 218-828-4558
- **Cross Lake Roll-Off, Cross Lake**: 218-692-3902
- **Emily Roll-Off, Emily**: 218-821-3330
- **Grinning Bear Roll-Off, Pine River**: 218-587-4990
- **Hengel Roll-Off**: 218-746-3355
- **Nisswa Roll-Off Services, Nisswa**: 218-963-0014
- **North Country Roll-Off, Pequot Lakes**: 218-543-4701
- **Red Rock Roll-Off, Walker**: 218-547-0670
- **Slagle Demo, Longville**: 218-363-2246
- **Tyler's Backhoe Service, Walker**: 218-820-4588

## Licensed Waste Haulers

- **Allied Sanitation, LLC, Western Cass Co**: 218-732-9925
- **American Disposal, Cass Lake - Outing - Remer**: 218-246-8729
- **Blue Lakes Disposal, Gull Lake**: 218-828-4558
- **City Sanitary, Walker - Hackensack - Longville**: 218-547-3633
- **Long Prairie Sanitary Service, Long Prairie**: 320-732-6464
- **Nisswa Sanitation, Gull Lake**: 218-963-4758
- **Pequot Lakes Sanitary, Gull Lake**: 218-568-4630
- **Slagle Demolition, Longville**: 218-363-2246
- **Waste Partners, Pine River, Hackensack**: 218-587-8727

Note: The term residential taxpayer refers to both seasonal and homesteaded property.
APPLIANCES

APPLIANCE DISPOSAL

Used appliances can be disposed of at the Pine River Transfer Station, Slagle’s, May Township, and Walker/Hackensack transfer sites. One appliance per month is accepted at no charge to county taxpayers. Please disable appliance mechanical latches.

FURNITURE/APPLIANCE EXCHANGE

Cass County Environmental Service Department has initiated a program to keep good usable items from going to the landfill. If you have appliances or furniture that you no longer want which are in usable condition, try to sell them or give them to someone else or bring them to the County transfer sites listed below.

Items Wanted or to Donate?

If you have items to donate, or if you need furniture or appliances, you may stop at any of the participating transfer sites to pick up items at no cost. Items will be given away on a first-come basis.

No appointment is necessary, open during regular hours for each site. Stop at the office first and check with the attendant.

Please do not bring heavily soiled or broken items. These need to be placed in the appropriate garbage roll offs.

Furniture Exchange sites:

• Pine River Transfer Station
• Walker-Hackensack Transfer Site
• May Township Transfer Site

Contact Information

If you need more information call 218-547-7287. For additional exchange opportunities check the Minnesota Materials Exchange website at www.mnexchange.org

BATTERIES

Alkalines (Household)

Examples: AAA, AA, A, C, D, and nine volt batteries

Only this type of battery can be safely disposed of in the trash. Most, but not all of these batteries have the word “alkaline” on the label.

Lead Acid (Automotive & Marine):

Also included in this category are some computer and office equipment batteries. Check on the label for the words lead-acid or Pb with a recycling symbol. This type of battery can be recycled at any of the following sites:

• Exchange at store when new battery is purchased
• Bring to any Cass County Solid Waste Transfer Site
• Check with any automotive dealer or parts store

Button Batteries:

Button batteries are commonly found in watches, stopwatches, hearing aids, cameras, and musical greeting cards. They range in size from quaters and dimes to the tips of pencil erasers. These often contain mercury, silver, and chromium. They should be dropped off in the special collection boxes at any of these designated locations:

• Cass County Solid Waste transfer sites
• Participating pharmacies and retail stores

Rechargeable Batteries:

Commonly found in cordless telephones, flashlights, toys, other cordless appliances such as screwdrivers, drills, toothbrushes, dustbusters and digital cameras as well as other devices. The word "rechargeable" or the specific battery type may be on the battery, though in many cordless devices, there is no label on the battery.

• Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd)
• Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)
• Lithium Ion (Li-Ion)

Bring these batteries to any of these locations:

• Cass County Transfer Station/Pine River
• Participating pharmacies and retail stores

CLOTHING AND LINEN

Clothing and linens may be dropped off free of charge at the Northern Cass County Developmental Achievement Center (DAC), located on CO Rd #12, south of Jimmy’s Restaurant in Walker, or at the Pine River Transfer Station during regular business hours only. Do not leave boxes or bags of clothing at the gate or door. All clothing and linens must be clean and dry.

Usagain clothing and shoe recycling drop boxes have been installed at several locations around the county. These are easily recognized green and white boxes, similar to postal drop off boxes. For a complete list of locations go to: www.usagain.com

CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE

Only building materials such as concrete, asphalt, shingles, wood, bricks and glass are accepted at local Construction and Demolition landfills. No paint, paint cans, liquid tar, caulk tubes, fluorescent bulbs, treated lumber, or household garbage is allowed. See page one for a list of demo debris disposal contractors. Small quantities accepted at Walker-Hackensack and May Township sites.

ELECTRONICS (E-WASTE)

E-waste is any waste that has a circuit board or a cathode ray tube (CRT).

E-waste Household

Computers, tablets, monitors, printers, TVs and other related electronic equipment (E-waste) may be taken to the following county operated transfer sites:

Pine River Transfer Station, Walker-Hackensack and May Township. There is no charge to residential taxpayers to drop them off.

Residential taxpayers may also bring E-waste to the Slagle transfer site for a fee and to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe transfer site at Cass Lake, where a fee may be required for non band members.

E-waste Business

Business taxpayers are required to recycle their electronic equipment. E-waste may not be disposed of as a solid waste (e.g. landfilling or incineration). For further information call 218-547-7287, or contact the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for a list of e-waste recyclers and for help with the regulations.

http://www.pca.state.mn.us/ewaste

FLUORESCENT BULBS

Residential and business taxpayers are required to properly dispose of all types of used fluorescent light bulbs and high intensity discharge lamps.

Residential taxpayers

Residential taxpayers may bring their compact (CFL) and regular fluorescent bulbs to any of the Cass County transfer sites at no charge, including:

• Walker-Hackensack Transfer Site
• Pine River Transfer Station
• May Township Transfer Site
• Crooked Lake Township Transfer Site (Outing)
• Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Transfer Station
• Slagle Transfer Site (Longville)

Bulbs may also be accepted at participating local retail stores. A disposal fee may be charged at non-county sites.

Options for Cass County Business Taxpayers:

• Contact TC Lighting of Bemidji (218) 751-9091
• Bring them directly to one of the county transfer stations as listed above.
• Contact private fluorescent bulb recycling contractors as listed on PCA web site:

For large volumes call the Cass County Environmental Services Department 218-547-7287 or the recycling office at the Pine River Transfer Station 218-587-3500.

For disposal of all other Mercury containing devices such as: thermostats, manometers, position sensitive switches (such as those found in washing machine lids and car trunk lights), thermometers with the “silvery” indicator liquid, thermostat probes, and various gauges. Please call the Pine River Transfer Station at 218-587-3500.
Garbage

All garbage generated in the county comes to the Pine River Transfer Station, north of Pine River on Hwy 371, where it is transferred to trucks that haul it to a sanitary landfill.

Bagged garbage can be disposed of at the various transfer sites or collected by a local hauler. (See page 1 for specific Transfer Site information and a list of Licensed Waste Haulers.)

Burning Barrels/Open Burning

Using burning barrels for garbage disposal is illegal in Cass County. You must dispose of garbage at one of the transfer sites, or have it picked up by a licensed hauler. With few exceptions, building material wastes must go to Construction and Demolition sites.

The only materials that can lawfully be burned with a DNR or USFS Burning Permit under certain conditions are unpainted/untreated lumber, brush, tree trimmings, and other vegetative material.

What is Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)?

Chemical products that have signal words on the labels such as Caution, Warning, Danger, Poison, Flammable, Combustible, and Corrosive.

These products include automotive, lawn and garden, home improvement and household cleaners. Examples include old gas, engine degreasers, old paint and paint products, pesticides, pool chemicals, stains, varnish, tar, oven cleaners, aerosol products, mothballs, glues, and drain cleaners.

Good used paint and other products are available at the Pine River HHW facility in the Product Exchange Room free of charge.

Used motor oil and oil filters do not need to go through the HHW program. (See below)

All business taxpayers with questions regarding Hazardous Waste should call the Northwest Minnesota Household Hazardous Waste facility at 800-637-2090.

Motor Oil/Filter & Anti-Freeze

Used Motor Oil may be dropped off during regular hours of operation at all transfer sites except Crooked Lake Township. Some area service stations also accept waste oil. Check with stations in your area for details.

Taxpayers may pour waste oil from their private containers into the designated used oil tank. Separate containers are available at each location for disposal of used oil filters.

Please DO NOT MIX USED MOTOR OIL WITH USED ANTIFREEZE.

Each location has a separate container for disposal of Used Anti-Freeze.

Sharps/Pharmaceuticals

Household syringes/lancets must be disposed of with household garbage, NOT with recyclables and NOT in pharmaceutical drop boxes. Follow these guidelines to insure the safety of garbage haulers and solid waste facility workers:

- Place in puncture-resistant containers with secure lids or caps.
- Useable containers include coffee cans with reinforced or taped lids, plastic detergent bottles with screw caps.
- Put in garbage.

Special labels are available free of charge at the county Public Health Department and Environmental Services Department offices.

Safe Disposal of Unneeded Medications

A 24/7 medication disposal box is located in the lobby of the Cass County Sheriff’s Office. The “drop-off” box accepts unneeded over-the-counter medications, prescriptions and narcotic drugs from community members. For more information and other locations, contact Cass County Sheriff’s Office at 218-547-7308 or Cass County Public Health at 218-547-1340.

http://www.co.cass.mn.us/hhvs/health/trtb_poster.pdf

Tires

Waste tires can be disposed of at the Pine River Transfer Station, Slagle Transfer Station, May Township, and Walker/Hackensack sites. Four (4) tires per month are accepted at no charge. Please remove tires from rim.

Yard Waste and Composting

It is illegal in Minnesota to dispose of yard waste in the garbage.

Grass clippings, leaves, pine needles, tree trimmings and brush may be disposed at the following locations:

- Hengel’s Demolition Disposal
- Pine River Transfer Station
- Slagle Transfer Site (Longville)
- Walker/Hackensack Transfer Site.

Environmental Services encourages you to compost. For more information on how to start a compost pile or indoor worm composting, contact the Environmental Services Department at 218-547-7287.

For additional information contact Cass County Environmental Services at 218-547-7241
Recycling Bins

AREA | LOCATION
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1 | Backus City Hall
2 | Barclay Twp Harriet Club
3 | Bena Community Center
4 | Birch Lake Twp W/H Transfer Site
5 | Boy River City Hall
6 | Cass Lake 1st St & Utley Ave NW
7 | Crooked Lake Twp Transfer Site
8 | Deerfield Twp Twp Hall
9 | East Gull Lake City Hall
10 | Federal Dam Municipal Building
11 | Hackensack Southside Store
12 | Lake Shore City Hall
13 | Leader Bear's Den
14 | Leech Lake Transfer Site South of Cass Lake
15 | Longville City Hall
16 | Loon Lake Twp Rager's Acres
17 | May Twp May Twp Transfer Site
18 | Mckinley Twp Elwell Store
19 | Ottertail Pen Twp Town Hall
20 | Pillager Near Water Tower
21 | Pine River Fairgrounds
22 | Ponto Lake Twp Town Hall
23 | Remer City City Hall
24 | Remer Twp Lone Wolf
25 | Shingobee Twp Y-Mart
26 | Sylvan Twp Corner Store
27 | Trelipe Twp Slagle Transfer Site
28 | Walker Walker Home Center
29 | Woodrow Twp Woodrow Twp Gravel Pit

Mixed Paper:
Place these items in bins with this label.
- newspapers & inserts
- magazines, phone books
- mixed office paper, junk mail
- cardboard boxes, cereal & pop boxes
Please flatten all boxes. If a separate cardboard bin is available, please place cardboard in that container.

NO Waxed Boxes

Commingled Recyclables:
Place these items in bins with this label.
- aluminum and metal cans and containers
- glass bottles and jars
- plastic containers (see right)

Cass County now accepts ALL types of plastic bottles, tubs & lids!
Check the bottom of your container. All types of plastic containers marked with a recycle symbol are accepted.
Place in the bins along with the glass, aluminum and steel cans.

NO Film or Foam: this includes styrofoam, plastic bags, food wrap or other shrink wrap.

NO plastic cups, plates or utensils

NO motor oil or pesticide containers

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT CASS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AT 218-547-7241