

## General information

**Public comment period begins:** December 25, 2024

**Public comment period ends:** January 27, 2025

**Name and address(s) of County,  
District, or Multicounty Area:**

*Additional information may also be  
obtained at these offices.*

Swift County Environmental Services  
1000 Industry Dr  
PO Box 288  
Benson, MN 56215-0288

**Location and contact information:**

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Swift County Environmental Services  
1000 Industry Dr  
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**MPCA contact person:**

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Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
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File manager phone: 651-757-2728 or  
844-828-0942

A draft Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) is available for review on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Public Notices webpage at <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/get-engaged/public-comments>. Additional materials relating to the draft SWMP are available for inspection by appointment at any MPCA office (<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/contact-us>) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The MPCA will mail or email a copy of the draft SWMP upon request. Comments and other requests must be received at the MPCA in writing on or before the public comment period end date and U.S. Mail comments must be received by 4:30 p.m.

## Description of SWMP

Swift County submitted a SWMP to the MPCA that proposes an integrated solid waste management system. The SWMP states that over the ten-year planning period of 2025-2034, Swift County will:

- Generate approximately 10,500 tons of municipal solid waste annually.
- Send waste to the Dakota Sanitary Landfill, located near Gwinner, North Dakota for final disposal.
- Reach a recycling rate of approximately 52% through county-wide curbside collection as well as rural drop sites.
- Facilitate waste reduction, recycling, and segregation of problem wastes from the waste stream.
- Collect household hazardous waste at its annual collection day and twice weekly drop off at the regional collection site.
- Encourage and support yard waste management at four drop-off sites throughout the County.

## Procedure for submitting comments

During the public comment period a person may submit comments to the MPCA on the SWMP.

Comments may be submitted:

- 1) Online at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publiccomments>; or
- 2) By U.S. postal mail to the following address:  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
c/o David Crowell  
7678 College Rd, Ste 105  
Baxter, MN 56425-8625

Submitted comments must state:

- (1) Your interest in the SWMP.
- (2) The action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the section of the SWMP you believe should be changed.
- (3) The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA to investigate the merits of the position.

## **Public informational meeting**

A person may request the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting on the SWMP. A person requesting a public informational meeting must submit the following information as part of the request:

- (1) A statement of why a public informational meeting is necessary;
- (2) The issues the MPCA should address at the public informational meeting; and
- (3) A proposed time and place for the public informational meeting.

## **SWMP Final Decision**

In making a final decision on the SWMP, the commissioner will consider all information submitted by the county, all information received from the public during the public comment period, and all information submitted during a public informational meeting if one is held. The commissioner must also determine whether the SWMP meets the requirements of Minn. R. parts 9215.0540 to 9215.0790. The commissioner's approval will remain in effect for ten years unless the commissioner determines that a shorter period of time is required to ensure that the county implements the plan.