

January 21, 2025

Mr. Jeff Richardson
County Executive
County of Albemarle
401 McIntire Road
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Re: Changes to Tipping Fees
Ivy Solid Waste and Recycling Center

Dear Mr. Richardson,

I am writing to request consideration by the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors for a \$2 per ton increase to two of the tipping fees charged at the Ivy SWRC. Based on our review of tipping fees in our area, we believe these tip fee changes to be reasonable and aligned with the local market. If requested by the Albemarle Board, we will include these tip fee changes in our proposed budget for FY 2026. The RSWA Board of Directors will review the proposed FY 2026 budget in March 2025, and conduct a public hearing with final consideration of the budget in May 2025. If approved, these changes would be effective on July 1, 2025.

This request is in accordance with Section 3 of the Amended and Restated Ivy Material Utilization Center Programs Agreement Between the County of Albemarle and the Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (2016), which says the RSWA shall “consult with the County prior to proposing any change to the tipping fees or other charges for the Ivy MUC and shall ... propose any changes to tipping fees and other charges for use of the Ivy MUC for adoption by the Authority’s Board of Directors as requested by majority vote of the County’s Board of Supervisors.” The proposed tip fee changes will increase Domestic Waste (Municipal Solid Waste/MSW) and Construction & Demolition Debris (CDD) tipping fees from \$58 to \$60 per ton. These increases are requested after evaluation of local market conditions and inflationary cost increases impacting the hauling and disposal costs to process MSW and CDD through the Transfer Station and transporting them to a disposal landfill in Henrico County. The \$2 charge increases will generate about \$120,000 in additional annual revenue, based on 60,000 tons of MSW and CDD anticipated in FY 2026.

The proposed tip fee changes are indicated by the attached rate schedule. If possible, we request a response by mid-March 2025 so these changes can be included in our FY 2026 budget.

Thank you for considering this request. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely, 

William I. Mawyer, Jr., P.E.
Executive Director
Rivanna Solid Waste Authority

Attachment

cc: Michael Gaffney, Chair, RSWA Board of Directors
Ann Wall, Deputy County Executive, Albemarle County
Lonnie Wood, Director of Finance and Information Technology
Phil McKalips, Director of Solid Waste

Rate Schedule

Tipping Fees (Per Ton):

Clean Fill Material	\$10.00
Clean Fill-Project > than 10,000 tons*	\$3.50
Vegetation/Yard Waste	\$54.00
Domestic Waste(MSW)	\$50.00 \$ 60.00
Construction Debris(CDD)	\$58.00 \$ 60.00
Tires	\$190.00

Tipping Fees (Per Item):

Freon Appliances	\$17.00
Passenger Veh. Tire, Off Rim	\$6.00
Passenger Veh. Tire, With Rim	\$13.00
Large Truck Tire, Off Rim	\$17.00
Large Truck Tire, With Rim	\$33.00

Other Charges

Minimum Charge Per Load	\$6.00	Service Fee Per Ticket-	
Compost, Sold (per ton)	\$75.00	Albemarle County Customers	\$1.00
Trash Stickers (each)	\$2.00	Other Customers	\$10.00
Ticket Request (per copy)	\$1.00	Credit Application Fee (each)	\$35.00

* Project requires advanced approval by RSWA and agreement to special terms and conditions