



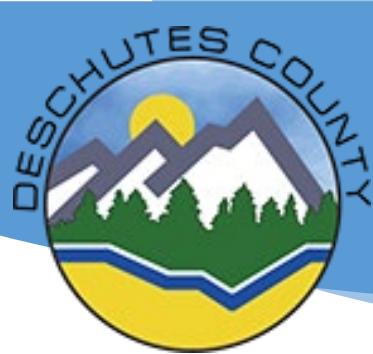
# Solid Waste Department Update

Joint Meeting of Deschutes County Commissioners and Bend City Council

January 20, 2026

## Solid Waste Collections Franchise Update

- Staff from the County and City have been developing a Model Agreement for Franchise Haulers to meet the needs of a modern Solid Waste Management System
- Voluntary negotiations with the current Franchise Haulers were not successful in reaching an agreement with both Franchisees
- Deschutes County has joined the City of Redmond in not renewing its Franchise Agreements for an additional year and has begun the 6 year wind-down of the existing collection agreements for the unincorporated areas of the County
- County Staff will continue to work with interested jurisdictions to move forward on a regional approach to managing waste and recyclable materials to draft new agreements, design a comprehensive procurement approach, and implement a system governance approach that ensures compliant and cost-effective delivery of services



# Franchise Agreements

## Elements

### New Franchise Agreement

Agreement prescribes the minimum scope of franchise services, service specification, and service standards provided

Designates facilities where Franchisee must deliver material

Establishes education and outreach standards

Defines financial disclosures, customer service reporting, and defines allowable costs for rate setting

Implements performance standards and consequences for Agreement non-conformance (i.e. Liquidated Damages)

Takes a regional approach to contract administration, public education, and DEQ required reporting



# Roadmap to New Franchise Agreements

