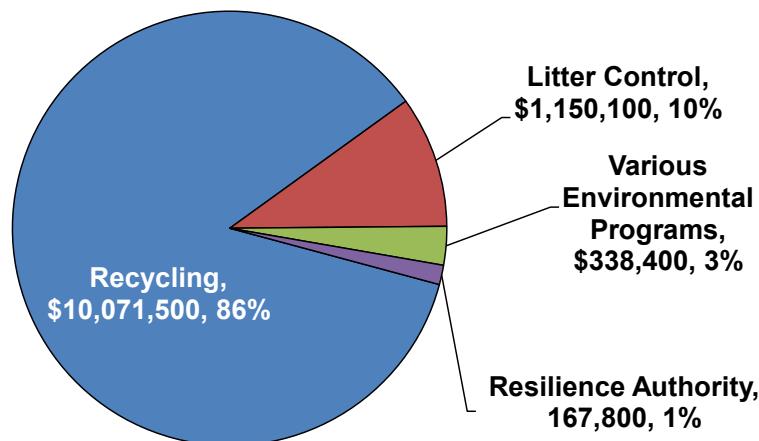


**FISCAL YEAR 2026**  
**Environmental Service Fund**  
**Total Budget: \$11,727,800**

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**Program Budgets:**



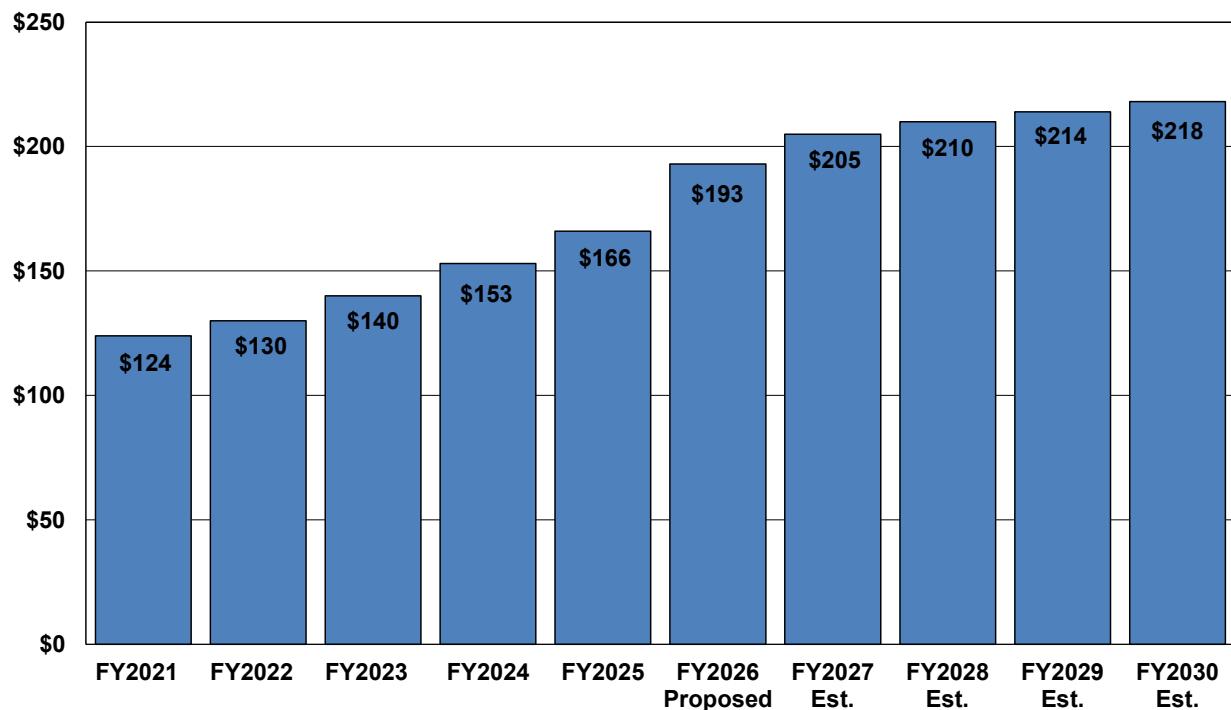
	FY2025	FY2026		
	Adopted	Proposed	Variance	% Change
Revenues	\$9,665,100	\$9,815,400	\$150,300	1.6%
Expenditures	9,665,100	11,509,100	1,844,000	19.1%
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	
Equipment Tech. Reserve/Fund Balance	\$356,000	218,700	(137,300)	
Capital Outlay (funded by reserves)	(356,000)	(218,700)	137,300	
<b>Total Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	

**Changes From FY2025:**

	<u>Request</u>	<u>Fee Impact</u>
<b>Increase in Operating Revenues</b>	\$150,300	(\$2.43)
<i>Anticipated increase in revenues due to housing growth.</i>		
<b>Contract Services - Recycling and Litter Control</b>	\$73,400	(\$1.19)
<i>Decrease is anticipated due to lower costs of litter control contract services and quarterly flagging operations.</i>		
<b>Curbside Collection</b>	(\$1,467,800)	\$23.75
<i>Based on increasing to weekly collection services, an increase in the number of houses served and an anticipated increase in curbside collection costs.</i>		
<b>Salary and Fringe</b>	(\$278,214)	\$4.50
<i>Salary and Fringe accounts include the impact of the approved FY2025 salary increases, full year impact of new FY2025 Recycling Citizen Response Coordinator, Environmental Resources Specialist, and Planning Technician and funding to support potential FY2026 salary increases.</i>		
<b>Resilience Authority</b>	(\$57,500)	\$0.93
<i>5% increase and provides funds previously provided through grant funding.</i>		
<b>Contingency</b>	(\$42,586)	\$0.69
<i>To cover potential revenue shortfalls and/or expenditure overruns.</i>		
<b>Mattress Recycling Program</b>	(\$43,000)	\$0.70
<i>To support increased volume and hauling processing fees for the Mattress Disposal</i>		
<b>Equipment</b>	(\$42,000)	\$0.68
<i>To purchase food scrap containers and collection containers.</i>		
<b>Minor adjustment in other expenditures costs.</b>	\$13,700	(\$0.22)
<b>Baseline Deficit</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	<b>\$27.00</b>
<b>Total Deficit</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	<b>\$27.00</b>

\$1.00 increase to the Environmental Service Fee adjusts revenues by \$61,800

# Environmental Service Fee (ESF) History



## ESF Change:

FY2025 Rate per improved property account  
Change needed to balance the FY2026 budget

\$166	\$27
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[FY2026 Proposed Rate](#)

[\\$193](#)

NOTE: At FY2025 Adoption, FAS was forecasting a \$15 rate increase would be needed for FY2026.

<b>Other Environmental Service Fees:</b>	<b>FY2025</b>	<b>FY2026</b>
	<b>Adopted</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
Commercial Yard Waste Tipping Fee (Per Ton)	\$50/\$15 minimum fee	\$50/\$15 minimum fee
Flat Rate Commercial Yard Waste Trucks and Trailers	\$50	\$50
Flat Rate Commercial Yard Waste Stake Body Trucks	\$100	\$100
Per Mattress or Box Spring	\$10	\$25
ESF (Town of Indian Head, Town of La Plata)*	\$29	\$31
Yard Waste Cart Refundable Deposit (Upon Request)	-	\$50
Recycling or Yard Waste Cart Cleaning Service (Upon Request)	-	\$15

*\* Assessed on the property tax bill per improved lot*

<b>Tire Disposal Fees:</b>	<b>FY2025</b>	<b>FY2026</b>
	<b>Adopted</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
Car/Pick-Up Truck (per tire)		
On/Off Rim	\$2 per tire	\$2 per tire
On/Off Rim (10+ tires in load)*	\$225 per ton/\$15 minimum fee	\$225 per ton/\$15 minimum fee
Truck (Dump/Tractor Trailer) Bias (per tire)	\$25 per tire	\$25 per tire
Truck (Dump/Tractor Trailer) Radial (per tire)	\$25 per tire	\$25 per tire
Farm Tractor and Off-Road (per ton)	\$250 per ton/\$15 minimum fee	\$250 per ton/\$15 minimum fee
Tire Recovery Charge	\$40 per tire	\$40 per tire

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE FUND

	<u>FY2025 Adopted</u>	<u>FY2026 Proposed</u>	Variance to <u>FY25 Adopted</u>	% Change to <u>FY25 Adopted</u>
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## PROGRAM BUDGETS

### RECYCLING/LITTER CONTROL:

#### Revenue

Environmental Service Fee	\$9,043,100	\$9,117,000	\$73,900	0.8%
Sale from Recyclable Materials	150,000	165,000	15,000	10.0%
Compost Tipping Fee	45,000	60,000	15,000	33.3%
Tire Disposal	22,000	30,000	8,000	36.4%
Mattress Disposal	50,000	93,000	43,000	86.0%
Miscellaneous	12,000	12,000	0	0.0%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$9,322,100</b>	<b>\$9,477,000</b>	<b>\$154,900</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
Fund Balance: Equipment Reserve	356,000	218,700	(137,300)	-38.6%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$9,678,100</b>	<b>\$9,695,700</b>	<b>\$17,600</b>	<b>0.2%</b>

#### Expenditures

Salary & Fringe	\$2,665,000	\$2,931,393	\$266,393	10.0%
Operating	6,157,200	7,738,900	1,581,700	25.7%
Operating Contingency	4,000	43,107	39,107	977.7%
Debt Service	81,600	52,500	(29,100)	-35.7%
Capital	506,000	296,700	(209,300)	-41.4%
Equipment Reserve	154,000	159,000	5,000	3.2%
Transfers Out	110,300	167,800	57,500	52.1%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$9,678,100</b>	<b>\$11,389,400</b>	<b>\$1,711,300</b>	<b>17.7%</b>

<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>	<b>(\$1,693,700)</b>
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### VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS:

#### Revenue

Environmental Service Fee	\$343,000	\$338,400	(\$4,600)	-1.3%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$343,000</b>	<b>\$338,400</b>	<b>(\$4,600)</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>

#### Expenditures

Salary & Fringe	\$169,600	\$181,421	\$11,821	7.0%
Operating	173,300	153,400	(19,900)	-11.5%
Operating Contingency	100	3,579	3,479	3479.0%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$343,000</b>	<b>\$338,400</b>	<b>(\$4,600)</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>

<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
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## Use of Fund Balance/Equipment Reserve Fund Balance

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### **FY2026 Replacement Vehicles and Equipment**

Open Top Roll Off Boxes (ER, Recycling)	115,000
<i>Twelve (12) open top roll-off boxes to support operations and expanded recycling programs.</i>	
Oil/Anti-freeze Collection Tanks (9)	45,700
<i>Replacing collection tanks for the used oil and antifreeze program at Pisgah Recycling Center, Breeze Farm Recycling Center and Ruth B. Swann Park. Total of nine (9) tanks, 500 gallons each.</i>	
Radios	28,000
<i>Replacing Motorola portable radios and vehicle mounted radios to ensure communication and prompt emergency response at the landfill.</i>	
Variable Message Sign	30,000
<i>Replacing S-63, 2012. Current sign is over 10 years old and had outdated technology. New electronic sign needed to improve communication with recycling center patrons.</i>	
<b>Total Use of Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>\$218,700</u></b>

# Environmental Services Fund

FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

## Fund Description

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## Expenditures

	ACTUALS	PRIOR ADOPTED		REQUESTED		PROPOSED		\$ Change from FY2025	% Change from FY2025
		FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026				
<b>Expenditures</b>									
Personal Services	\$1,555,141		\$2,172,200	\$2,415,077	\$2,415,077		\$242,877		11%
Fringe Benefits	\$464,230		\$662,400	\$697,737	\$697,737		\$35,337		5%
Supplies	\$235,159		\$273,700	\$321,900	\$321,900		\$48,200		18%
Other Services&Chrgs	\$5,087,902		\$5,980,200	\$6,697,400	\$7,465,200		\$1,485,000		25%
Agency Funding	\$50,900		\$76,600	\$105,200	\$105,200		\$28,600		37%
Operating Contingency	\$0		\$4,100	\$68,596	\$46,686		\$42,586		1,039%
Transfers Out	\$105,000		\$110,300	\$167,800	\$167,800		\$57,500		52%
Capital Outlay	\$509,063		\$506,000	\$296,700	\$296,700		-\$209,300		-41%
Depreciation Expense	\$558,008		\$154,000	\$159,000	\$159,000		\$5,000		3%
Capital Projects	-\$21,140		\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0		-
Debt Service	\$4,899		\$81,600	\$52,500	\$52,500		-\$29,100		-36%
<b>EXPENDITURES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,549,162</b>		<b>\$10,021,100</b>	<b>\$10,981,910</b>	<b>\$11,727,800</b>		<b>\$1,706,700</b>		<b>17%</b>

## Revenues and Funding Sources

	ACTUALS	PRIOR ADOPTED		REQUESTED		PROPOSED		\$ Change from FY2025	% Change from FY2025
		FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026				
<b>Operating Revenues</b>									
Inter_Governmental	\$10,758		\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0		-
Service Charges	\$8,765,133		\$9,653,100	\$9,803,400	\$9,803,400		\$150,300		2%
Other	\$44,802		\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000		\$0		0%
<b>OPERATING REVENUES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,820,693</b>		<b>\$9,665,100</b>	<b>\$9,815,400</b>	<b>\$9,815,400</b>		<b>\$150,300</b>		<b>2%</b>
<b>Other Funding Sources</b>									
Transfers	\$0		\$356,000	\$218,700	\$218,700		-\$137,300		-39%
<b>OTHER FUNDING SOURCES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$356,000</b>	<b>\$218,700</b>	<b>\$218,700</b>		<b>-\$137,300</b>		<b>-39%</b>
<b>Total Revenues and Funding Sources</b>	<b>\$8,820,693</b>		<b>\$10,021,100</b>	<b>\$10,034,100</b>	<b>\$10,034,100</b>		<b>-\$137,300</b>		<b>-</b>

## Positions by Department

Department	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
Public Works	30	33.4	34.2	40.53	40.53
Planning & Growth Management	0.75	0.85	1.35	1.6	1.6
	<b>30.75</b>	<b>34.25</b>	<b>35.55</b>	<b>42.13</b>	<b>42.13</b>

**ESF  
FUND**  
(\$ in thousands)

**FY2026-FY2030 OPERATING PLAN**

	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>FY 2029</u>	<u>FY 2030</u>
<b>Revenues</b>					
Operating Revenues	\$9,815.4	\$9,931.8	\$10,053.7	\$10,175.7	\$10,297.6
Fund Balance Reserves	218.7	186.0	0.0	780.0	605.2
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>\$10,034.1</b>	<b>\$10,117.8</b>	<b>\$10,053.7</b>	<b>\$10,955.7</b>	<b>\$10,902.8</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Operating Expenses	\$11,334.6	\$11,776.0	\$12,173.3	\$12,584.4	\$13,009.1
Capital Outlay	340.7	460.3	283.9	1,073.8	909.3
Debt Service	52.5	306.4	379.7	375.0	370.5
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$11,727.8</b>	<b>\$12,542.7</b>	<b>\$12,836.9</b>	<b>\$14,033.2</b>	<b>\$14,288.9</b>
<b>Surplus\Deficit:</b>	<b>(\$1,693.7)</b>	<b>(\$2,424.9)</b>	<b>(\$2,783.2)</b>	<b>(\$3,077.5)</b>	<b>(\$3,386.1)</b>
Estimated Annual Fee					
Adjustment:	\$27	\$12	\$5	\$4	\$4
Environmental Services Fee	\$193	\$205	\$210	\$214	\$218
% rate change	16.3%	6.2%	2.4%	1.9%	1.9%

\*At FY2025 adoption, a \$15 rate increase was being forecasted for FY2026.

**FY2026-FY2030 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

(\$ in thousands)

	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	<u>FY 2028</u>	<u>FY 2029</u>	<u>FY 2030</u>	<u>Total</u>
						<u>'26-'30</u>
<b>Capital Costs:</b>						
County Mulching Facility						
Relocation & Composting Facility	826	0	0	0	0	826
Total without inflation	\$826	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$826
Contingency - inflation	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$826</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$826</b>
<b>Finance Sources</b>						
Bonds	\$826	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$826
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$826</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$826</b>



# County Mulching Facility Relocation

FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

## Project Description

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The mulching operation is currently located on a county-owned parcel that is slated for a future animal shelter and bus transit station. To ensure that the mulching operation continues without disruption, a new mulching facility at a different location is preferred. The new facility be designed to include composting and food composting operations in compliance with HB Bill 264 Organics Recycling and Waste Diversion.

**Requested By:** DPW

**Planning Commission Comments:**

**Location:** Various mulching and composting operations will serve entire county

**Commissioner District:** All

## Goals and Objectives

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# Expenditures

EXPENSE BUDGET						5-YEAR TOTAL FY26-FY30	APPROP. THRU
	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030		FY2025
<b>Expense Budget</b>							
Contingency	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$107,000
Inspections	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,280
A&E	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$274,000
Construction	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750,000	\$859,000
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000
Miscellaneous	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$26,000
FAS Administration	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000	\$22,000
Land and ROW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,001,720
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$135,920
Fringe	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$64,080
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>\$826,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$826,000</b>	<b>\$3,210,000</b>
<b>Financing Sources</b>	<b>\$826,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$826,000</b>	<b>\$3,210,000</b>

	BEYOND	TOTAL PROJECT	
		FY2030	
<b>Expense Budget</b>			
Contingency		\$0	\$157,000
Inspections		\$0	\$100,000
Administration		\$0	\$120,280
A&E		\$0	\$274,000
Construction		\$0	\$1,609,000
Equipment		\$0	\$500,000
Miscellaneous		\$0	\$46,000
FAS Administration		\$0	\$28,000
Land and ROW		\$0	\$1,001,720
Personnel		\$0	\$135,920
Fringe		\$0	\$64,080
<b>EXPENSE BUDGET TOTAL</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,036,000</b>
<b>Financing Sources</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,036,000</b>

## Revenues and Funding Sources

REVENUE BUDGET						5-YEAR TOTAL FY26-FY30	APPROP. THRU FY25
	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030		FY2025
<b>Revenues</b>							
Bond Proceeds	\$826,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$826,000	\$3,210,000
<b>REVENUES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$826,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$826,000</b>	<b>\$3,210,000</b>

	BEYOND	TOTAL PROJECT	
		FY2030	
<b>Revenues</b>			
Bond Proceeds		\$0	\$4,036,000
<b>REVENUES TOTAL</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,036,000</b>