

# 2025 Performance Measure Report

## Performance Measure: Implementation of Local Solid Waste Management Plan (LSWMP) including continuous review and application of new technologies for all systems, facilities and processes

- Completed 6th full year of operation of the Authority's Source-Separated Organics Processing Facility (Food2Energy), processing 5,506 tons of food waste from local businesses and residents and conveying it via pipeline to the Oneida County Water Pollution Control Plant for energy recovery.
- Supported waste reduction through the NYS Product Stewardship Council.
- Completed 14th year of operation at the Oneida-Herkimer Recycling Center, processing 40,546 tons of recyclables and achieving an overall 51% recycling rate for Oneida and Herkimer Counties.
- Continued operation of the landfill gas to electricity facility at the Regional Landfill and installed 11 new gas collection wells, bringing the total to 177 wells.
- Safely disposed of 194,470 tons of Municipal Solid Waste and beneficially reused 42,832 tons of material at the Regional Landfill.
- Mohawk Valley Materials completed Cell 8 construction, adding 9.4 acres of lined area.
- Processed 8,058 tons of green waste into compost at the Green Waste Composting Facility.
- Safely disposed of 23,874 gallons of household hazardous waste from over 14,000 households and recycled 30,915 gallons of paint through the PaintCare program.
- Recycled 252 tons of electronics.
- Continued working with Oneida and Herkimer County and Green Teams.
- Achieved higher than expected waste densities at the Regional Landfill using GPS technology and compaction equipment, extending the landfill's projected lifespan.

## Performance Measure: Compliance with environmental, employee health and safety and all other federal and state regulatory requirements

- Maintained compliance with all facility permits and regulations, including the 6 NYCRR Part 360 Solid Waste Management Facilities Regulations effective November 2017.
- Developed and submitted required annual reports for all Authority facilities, as well as Title V air permits, State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPEDES) certifications, landfill closure/post closure reports, and quarterly environmental monitoring reports.
- Completed the NYSDEC State Agency Environmental Audit and conducted weekly inspections for RLF SPEDES compliance.
- Continued comprehensive employee health and safety training following New York State Public Employee Safety and Health (PESH) standards, covering topics such as hazard communication, emergency response, confined space, workplace harassment, bloodborne pathogens and stormwater pollution prevention.

- Held regular safety committee meetings with staff and administration to review safety issues, operational recommendations and provide written responses to all concerns.
- Employees received or renewed Landfill Operator Certifications through the New York State Association for Solid Waste Management.

### **Performance Measure: Maintenance of long-term stable rates and prudent fiscal management**

- Tipping fees remained unchanged in 2025 and are still lower than in 1992.
- The Finance committee directed senior management to develop a five-year financial plan forecasting revenues, expenses, capital needs and future tipping fees.
- Revenues included \$2,088,269 from sale of recyclables (down 14% or \$334,322 from 2024), \$479,934 from landfill gas sales, \$955,244 in recycling processing fees from Oswego, Lewis and Fulton Counties, and \$754,645 from the sale of carbon credits.
- The Authority added \$1,886,494 to its net asset position, continued deposits to the landfill equipment replacement and closure funds, and funded future landfill cell expansions.
- Long-term debt decreased by \$1,830,000 in 2025, totaling a \$8,680,000 reduction over five years, and capital improvements and equipment purchases totaled \$8,303,306.
- The Authority assisted in saving communities \$462,458 in reduced tipping fees for natural disaster debris.

### **Performance Measure: 100% compliance with all ABO reporting requirements and operating with full transparency and good governance**

- Filed all reports with the ABO (Authorities Budget Office) on time and updated the Authority website to reflect ABO requirements. All Board of Director members and senior management completed mandatory ABO training.
- The Governance Committee and staff reviewed ABO guidance, evaluated policies and recommended updates to the full Board of Directors. Policies reviewed and approved included procurement, property disposition, ethics and whistleblower policies, as well as the Authority's mission statement and performance measures.
- Continued transparent operations, including posting all Board of Directors and committee meeting agendas and minutes online, publicly auctioning surplus equipment, and conducting a public hearing on the 2026 budget before submission to counties and state officials.
- The Finance Committee held four meetings, including one joint finance-audit committee meeting, reviewed the five-year financial plan and investment policy, and met with independent auditors to review the 2025 audit.