

# Springfield MRF Advisory Board

Below you will find a quick update from the MRF Advisory Board.

Under the Covid-19 emergency order issued by the Governor's office, trash and recycling services are considered essential services. On April 9th, the manager of Waste Management's recycling facilities for dual stream and single stream recyclables met with the MRF Advisory Board, assuring that the facilities are open, accepting deliveries and processing material with safety precautions in place. Please let me know if any hauler serving your community indicates otherwise and I will follow up with them.

The MRF Advisory Board also recommends that you remind residents to place disposable gloves and masks in the trash. None of the personal protective equipment being used can be recycled. In any informational material sent to your residents, you may consider reminding the public not to flush wipes down the toilet as they are clogging treatment plants and private septic systems.

The MRF Advisory Board will soon be releasing a press release to the local papers with this information as well as information about what to do with common materials being generated during home clean-outs.

I will update you if there are any changes at the regional recycling facilities.

In addition, in the event you haven't seen today's Springfield Republican, it includes the latest Reduce Reuse Recycle Guide published in partnership with the Springfield MRF Advisory Board. The featured publication has a number of great articles as well as the Springfield MRF Advisory Boards "What Do I Do With...?" guide. This guide lists hundreds of items and provides information on proper disposal and options for reuse and recycling. Feel free to post on your towns website as a reference to your community.

Again, I hope you are all safe and healthy!

Tracy  
Springfield MRF Advisory Board, Chair.