## **Date & Location:**

## Thursday, October 1

Blair County (7 pm to 8 pm) First United Methodist Church Sanctuary 801 Allegheny Street Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Join us for this special presentation of the USDA Workshop information being offered in conjunction with Cub Scout Troop #332 of First United Methodist Church, Hollidaysburg.

PA CleanWays will provide a presentation demonstrating the many reasons for the need to work with other municipal leaders in developing effective waste service programs in **your** area.

## **Presenters**

Case studies from local government will be presented in addition to insights from DEP staff, PROP staff and area county recycling coordinators.

## Who Should Attend?

Local government officials, both appointed and elected, are encouraged to attend this insightful workshop. Private sector service providers, environmental advocates and interested members of the community are equally welcome.

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# **Enhancing Waste Services: Improving Quality of Life**

## **A Workshop for Municipal Governments**

Solid waste can be one of the most challenging issues confronting local governments and when it's ignored the unintended consequences can be most unpleasant. Several studies have confirmed that communities that are unwilling or unable to adequately address waste and recycling are experiencing more dumping, open burning and related blight. With this in mind, the Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania (PROP), in cooperation with and support from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), is holding workshops throughout the Commonwealth intended to provide local governments in rural Pennsylvania with the tools and resources necessary to better manage their municipal solid waste.



## **Key Take-Aways**

The workshop is intended to provide local governments with a better understanding of their solid waste management responsibilities and how they might address them.

A concise guide and a more comprehensive binder of resources will be distributed to all participants to better understand:

- Comprehensive waste management & the quality of life connection
- Causes of improper disposal
- Collection Best Management Practices (BMPs)
- Dealing with special wastes
- Building partnerships to address the problems

## **Session Highlights**

Attendees will have a unique opportunity to learn from specialists in waste management & recycling, and local government officials who have experienced these struggles and met these challenges first-hand.

## Schedule in Brief

Registration 6:45 pm
Workshop Session Begins 7:00 pm
Scout Adjournment 7:45 pm
Q&A 7:45 pm
Refreshments following Q&A

#### Why Does It Matter:

Municipal Services = Less Problems Aesthetics Issues Environmental Problems

#### **Improper Disposal**

Illegal Dumping & Littering Waste Accumulation Open Burning

#### **Traditional Collection**

Waste

Mandatory

PAYT - Pay-as-You-Throw

Recycling Curbside

Curbsia

Drop-off

#### **Special Wastes**

Yard Waste Ag Waste Medical Waste Bulky Waste

## **Building Partnerships**

Private Sector Multi Municipal

#### **Tools & Resources**

Contacts: DEP County Ambassadors

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**

Three days prior to workshop date. Please RSVP by completing the form on the other side of this flyer and remit by mail, fax, or email.

#### COST:

Free - Includes refreshments & materials.

## **Registration Form**

Name:				
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: ( )	Fax: ( )	E-Mail		
Please tell us how you heard about	·			
What specific waste management c		e to hear about?		

☐ YES! I would like more information about PROP membership. Please send me a membership brochure to the name and address above.

Mail completed registration form to: Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania 135 Stadium Drive P. O. Box 25 Bellwood, PA 16617.

The completed form may also be faxed to us at 1-814-742-8838 or emailed to prop@proprecycles.org.

Call 1-800-769-7767 for additional details. Thank you!

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# **More Program Information**

#### About the Program

The Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania (PROP) has undertaken this Quality of Life Project through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Waste Management program.

PROP has conducted an "Environmental Quality Study" for all municipalities in the state of Pennsylvania in an attempt to confirm what environmental challenges confront municipalities throughout the Commonwealth.

Specifically, we hoped to understand how these difficulties could be addressed in communities all across Pennsylvania so as to prevent illegal dumping, open burning and other improper disposal practices.

#### **About PROP**

PROP is Pennsylvania's association of recycling, organics, and solid waste professionals. The organization was incorporated in 1991 as a non-profit organization under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Tax Code.

PROP is dedicated to the promotion and enhancement of recycling and organics, and their programs, in Pennsylvania through education, information exchange, technical support, applied research and coordination of recycling industry and market development initiatives. PROP's recycling professional certification program offers Continuing Education credits.

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