



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: 11/7/2023

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***Title:**

Department of Environmental Quality – Solid Waste Fee Ordinance

***Introduction/Background:**

Waste Management operates the Ajo Landfill, Sahuarita Transfer Station, Catalina Transfer Station, and Ryan Field Transfer Station. The contract between Pima County and Waste Management allows WM to request a fee increase for disposal fees at the landfills and transfer stations. The contract provides that fee increase proposals shall be considered in good faith by the County and not unreasonably denied. WM has requested increased fees for 2024-2025.

***Discussion:**

The Board of Supervisors previously adopted a fee ordinance that increased fees annually from July 1, 2018, through July 1, 2022. The fees adopted on July 1, 2022 remain in place until they are repealed and replaced. WM has requested a new fee structure to begin on January 1, 2024, and another change to begin on January 1, 2025.

A new fee schedule was initially requested for passage in July 2023, with fees to go into effect in August. However, that ordinance was never scheduled for a vote. This current proposal is slightly different than the original one proposed earlier in 2023. In the ordinance currently before the Board, the increased fee to residential waste station users has increased by a smaller amount than in the previous draft.

The discounted user fees for low-income households would remain as is.

***Conclusion:**

PDEQ is proposing the new fee schedule ordinance for a fee increase for a period of two years, beginning on January 1, 2024.

***Recommendation:**

PDEQ recommends that the Board adopt this new fee ordinance.

***Fiscal Impact:**

The fee increases would be solely for users at point of entry. There is no immediate financial impact to the County.

***Board of Supervisor District:**

1 2 3 4 5 All

Department: Environmental Quality

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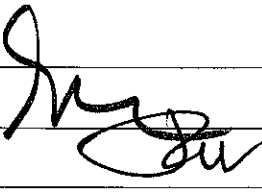
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Department Director Signature: _____

Date: _____

10/9/23

Deputy County Administrator Signature:



Date:

9 Oct 2020

County Administrator Signature:

Date:

10/10/2023

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2023 - _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; REPEALING THE EXISTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR PIMA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE FACILITIES AND ADOPTING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE FOR PIMA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE FACILITIES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 2 of Pima County Ordinance Number 2017-40 is repealed on January 1, 2024.

Section 2. The Fee Schedule for Pima County's Solid Waste Facilities (Landfills and Transfer Stations) is adopted as follows.

FEE SCHEDULE FOR LANDFILLS AND TRANSFER STATIONS

A. COMMERCIAL HAULERS

1. AJO LANDFILL

Effective Date	Loose	Compacted
January 1, 2024	\$15.50/cubic yard	\$20.00/cubic yard
January 1, 2025	\$17.00/cubic yard	\$22.00/cubic yard

2. CATALINA TRANSFER STATION

Effective Date	Per ton, pro-rated with a minimum
January 1, 2024	\$60/ton, minimum \$30.00
January 1, 2025	\$65/ton, minimum \$32.50

3. SAHUARITA TRANSFER STATION

Effective Date	Per ton, pro-rated with a minimum
January 1, 2024	\$65/ton, minimum \$32.50
January 1, 2025	\$70/ton, minimum \$35.00

B. RESIDENTIAL HAULERS

1. AJO LANDFILL

Effective Date	Per car	Per truck
January 1, 2024	\$6.50	\$9.00
January 1, 2025	\$7.25	\$10.00

2. CATALINA TRANSFER STATION

Effective Date	Per vehicle if under 1 ton	Per ton, pro-rated
January 1, 2024	\$26.25	\$46.00
January 1, 2025	\$27.60	\$48.00

3. RYAN FIELD TRANSFER STATION

Effective Date	Per vehicle
January 1, 2024	\$12.75
January 1, 2025	\$13.50

4. SAHUARITA TRANSFER STATION

Effective Date	Per vehicle if under 1 ton	Per ton, pro-rated
January 1, 2024	\$26.25	\$46.00
January 1, 2025	\$27.60	\$48.00

C. SPECIAL FEES AT ALL FACILITIES

Effective Date	Non-standard waste fee	Added special handling fee	Added evaluation fee if necessary	Added uncovered load fee if applicable
January 1, 2024	\$125/ton	\$100/load	\$150/evaluation	\$25/load
January 1, 2025	\$125/ton	\$100/load	\$150/evaluation	\$25/load

D. WASTE TIRE COLLECTION SITE

Effective Date	Standard, on-road, per ton pro-rated	Non-standard, off-road, per ton pro-rated	Added per load fee for tires with rims	Added per load fee for special handling
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January 1, 2024	\$30.00, minimum \$15.00	\$150.00, minimum \$30.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
January 1, 2025	\$30.00, minimum \$15.00	\$150.00, minimum \$30.00	\$75.00	\$75.00

Section 3. This Ordinance is effective January 1, 2024.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona, this _____ day of _____, 2023.

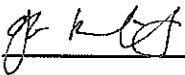
Chair of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

REVIEWED BY:

 9-1-23

Jacob Kavkewitz
Deputy County Attorney

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Scott DiBiase, Director
Department of Environmental Quality

Solid Waste Fee Ordinance

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Pima County Department of Environmental Quality is proposing a new fee schedule ordinance for a fee increase for usage of solid waste landfills and transfer stations in Pima County.

Pima County initially contracted the operation of its landfills, transfer stations, and rural collection centers to a private company in 2013. The contract was initially managed by a private company called Tucson Recycling and Waste Management, but it was transferred to Waste Management LLC (WM) in 2022. This agreement is covered by a series of contracts and amendments.

The contracts allow WM to request a fee increase for disposal fees at the landfills and transfer stations. The contract provides that fee increase requests shall be considered in good faith by the County and not unreasonably denied.

The Board of Supervisors previously adopted a fee ordinance that increased fees annually from July 1, 2018, through July 1, 2022. The fees adopted on July 1, 2022 will remain in place until repealed and replaced.

WM has requested increased fees for 2024-2025. They requested increased fees to begin on January 1, 2024, and another increase to begin on January 1, 2025.

Labor, fuel, equipment, and transportation costs have all increased the overall cost of WM's operations. The proposed fee increases are higher in commercial fees, to offset a smaller increase in residential fees. WM is considering various changes to services, including reducing Ajo landfill operating days and adding a quarterly collection day at no cost to residents. A WM representative will be at the Board of Supervisors Meeting on November 7, 2023.

The discounted user fees for low-income households would remain as they currently are.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2017-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO SOLID WASTE; REPEALING THE EXISTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR PIMA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE FACILITIES AND ADOPTING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE FOR PIMA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE FACILITIES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 1 of Pima County Ordinance Number 2017- 15 is repealed on July 1, 2018.

Section 2. The Fee Schedule for Pima County's Solid Waste Facilities (Landfills and Transfer Stations) is adopted as follows.

FEE SCHEDULE FOR LANDFILLS AND TRANSFER STATIONS

A. COMMERCIAL HAULERS

The fees for commercial haulers shall be prorated fractionally based on tonnage.

July 1, 2018	July 1, 2019	July 1, 2020	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2022
AJO LANDFILL (MSW)				
\$12/CY loose	\$12/CY loose	\$13/CY loose	\$13/CY loose	\$14/CY loose
\$16/CY compacted	\$16/ CY compacted	\$17/CY compacted	\$17/ CY compacted	\$18/ CY compacted
AJO LANDFILL (Green Waste Disposal)				
\$12/Pick-up truck	\$12/Pick-up truck	\$13/Pick-up truck	\$13/Pick-up truck	\$14/Pick-up truck
\$24/Pick-up truck w/trailer	\$24/Pick-up truck w/trailer	\$26/Pick-up w/Trailer	\$26/Pick-up w/trailer	\$28/Pick-up w/trailer
CATALINA TRANSFER STATION				
\$45.00/ton (minimum \$20)	\$47.00/ton (minimum \$20)	\$47.00/ton (minimum \$22)	\$49.00/ton (minimum \$22)	\$49.00/ton (minimum \$24)
SAHUARITA TRANSFER STATION				
\$45.00/ton (minimum \$20)	\$47.00/ton (minimum \$20)	\$47.00/ton (minimum \$22)	\$49.00/ton (minimum \$22)	\$49.00/ton (minimum \$24)
ALL SOLID WASTE FACILITIES				
Non-Standard Waste Fee	\$100/ton			
Special Handling Fee	\$75/load			
Evaluation Fee	\$150/evaluation			
Uncovered Load Fee	\$20/load			

B. RESIDENTIAL HAULERS

The fees for Residential haulers at, or above, one ton will be prorated fractionally based on tonnage.

July 1, 2018	July 1, 2019	July 1, 2020	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2022
AJO LANDFILL				
\$3/car \$7/truck	\$5/car \$7/truck	\$5/car \$7/truck	\$5/car \$8/truck	\$6/car \$8/truck
CATALINA TRANSFER STATION				
\$20/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$20/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$22/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$22/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$25/vehicle (less than 1 ton)
\$40/ton	\$40/ton	\$43/ton	\$43/ton	\$44/ton
RYAN FIELD TRANSFER STATION				
\$10/vehicle	\$10/vehicle	\$11/vehicle	\$11/vehicle	\$12/vehicle
SAHUARITA TRANSFER STATION				
\$20/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$20/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$22/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$22/vehicle (less than 1 ton)	\$25/vehicle (less than 1 ton)
\$40/ton	\$40/ton	\$43/ton	\$43/ton	\$44/ton

C. WASTE TIRE COLLECTION

WASTE TIRE COLLECTION SITE	
Standard, on-road tires	\$30/ton (minimum \$15)
Non-Standard, off-road tires	\$150/ton (minimum \$30)
Tires with rims	\$75/load (in addition to tonnage fee)
Special Handling Fee	\$75/load (in addition to tonnage fee)

Section 3. This Ordinance is effective July 1, 2018.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona, this _____ day of _____, 2017

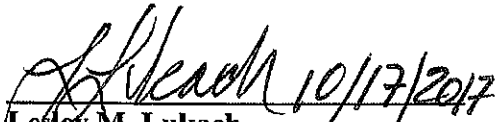
Chair of the Board of Supervisors

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Deputy County Attorney


Ursula Nelson, Director
Department of Environmental Quality

PUBLIC NOTICE

Legal requirements, proof of notice, and additional notice provided

The legal requirements for publication and proof of those publications are enclosed.

PDEQ created additional public notices beyond what was legally required. PDEQ's goal is not merely to meet our legal requirements, but to ensure adequate notice to allow meaningful public participation.

PDEQ created a web page on our home page that had links to information about the ordinance, a Frequently Asked Questions sheet, and a link to the comment form, among other information. An image of that web page, which is still live at the time of this submission and will remain so for a period after the ordinance is adopted, is enclosed.

PDEQ also published a notice in Spanish in Arizona Bilingual magazine. The notice was in the October edition, both online and in print. An image of that notice is enclosed.

PDEQ created bilingual fliers to be distributed at landfills and transfer stations, and bilingual sandwich boards to be displayed at landfills and transfer stations. The fliers had bit.ly links to the web page, and the sandwich boards had QR codes linking to the web page. The flier content and a representative photograph of a sandwich board are attached.

11-251.13. Proposed county taxes and fees; notification required; exception

A. A board of supervisors may not levy or assess any new taxes or fees or increase existing taxes or fees pursuant to statute on a business without complying with this section.

B. A board that proposes to levy or assess a tax or fee shall:

1. If the imposition of the proposed tax or fee is a new charge, provide written notice of the proposed charge on the home page of the county's website at least sixty days before the date the proposed new tax or fee is approved or disapproved by the board.

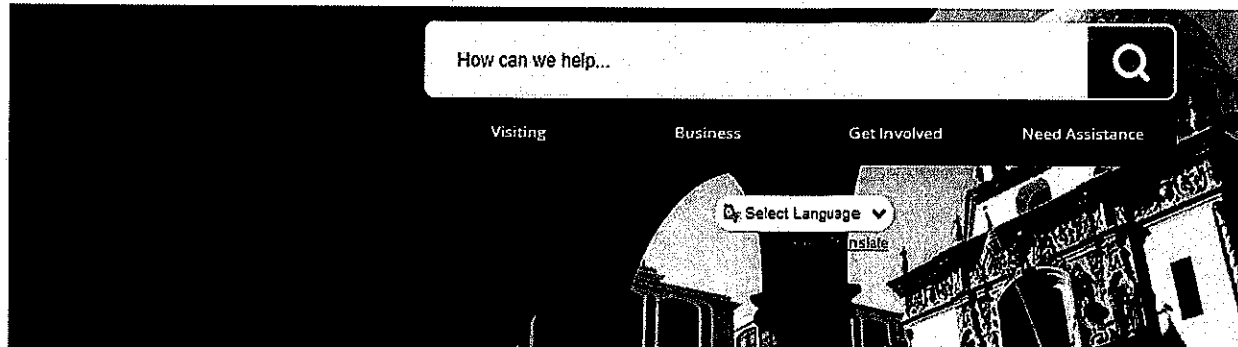
2. If the board proposes to increase the rate of an existing tax or fee on a business, provide written notice of the proposed increase on the home page of the county's website at least sixty days before the date the proposed new rate is approved or disapproved by the board.

C. A board shall demonstrate that the taxes or fees are imposed pursuant to statute.

D. This section does not apply to any fee adopted pursuant to section 11-1102 or any tax adopted pursuant to section 42-17107 or 48-254.

Link: <https://www.pima.gov/3119/Proposed-Pima-County-Taxes-and-Fees>

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PROPOSED PIMA COUNTY TAXES AND FEES

Public Notice of Proposed Solid Waste Fee Schedule Change for Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (Posted Sept. 6, 2023)

The Pima County Department of Environmental Quality is providing notice that a public hearing will be held to repeal Ordinance No. 2017-40 and adopt Ordinance No. 2023-____. The proposed ordinance would repeal and replace the current fee schedule for solid waste disposal, increasing certain fees. The hearing is scheduled for the Board of Supervisors' meeting on Nov. 7, 2023, at 9 a.m. or thereafter.

The proposed ordinance, current ordinance, and additional information can be found on the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) webpage.

Written comments on the proposed ordinance may be submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) online at or on paper. Comments must be received by Oct. 10, 2023, to be considered in PDEQ's presentation to the Pima County Board of Supervisors. For paper copies of information, to submit written comments, or for more information, please contact PDEQ at 520-724-7325, Abigail.Okrent@pima.gov, or 33 N. Stone Avenue, 7th Floor, Tucson, Arizona 85701.

The public hearing will begin at 9 a.m., or thereafter, on Nov. 7, 2023, at the Pima County Administration Building, Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, 130 W. Congress Street, 1st Floor, Tucson, Arizona 85701. Requests to speak at the public hearing may be submitted up until 5 p.m. on Nov. 6, 2023, by emailing the Clerk of the Board. For information and questions about the hearing, see www.pima.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx or contact the Clerk of the Board at 520-724-8449 or COB_mail@pima.gov.

11-251.05. Ordinances

A. The board of supervisors may:

1. In the conduct of county business, adopt, amend and repeal all ordinances necessary or proper to carry out the duties, responsibilities and functions of the county which are not otherwise specifically limited by section 11-251 or any other law or in conflict with any rule or law of this state.

2. Prescribe punishment by fine or imprisonment, or both, for the violation of an ordinance adopted pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection. A fine or imprisonment shall not exceed the maximum limitations for a class 1 misdemeanor.

B. Ordinance authority under subsection A of this section shall be in addition to and preemptive of ordinance, rule making or regulatory authority of any other county board or county commission. A county may not impose taxes except as otherwise provided by law and as specified in section 11-251.

C. Prior to adoption, amendment or repeal of an ordinance under this section, the board of supervisors shall hold a public hearing thereon at least fifteen days' notice of which shall be given by one publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county seat. After adopted or amended, the ordinance shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county seat.

D. An ordinance adopted under this section may apply to the unincorporated and incorporated areas in the county if the ordinance is not in conflict with an existing city or town ordinance or state law or otherwise regulated by the state. If the ordinance is intended to apply to any incorporated area of the county, prior to the ordinance becoming effective within the boundaries of a city or town, the city or town council shall consider the ordinance and, if the council finds that the subject matter of the ordinance is not either a matter of local concern or governed by an existing city or town ordinance, the council shall approve by resolution the application or enforcement of such ordinance within the boundaries of the city or town. Upon thirty days' notice to the county, a city or town council may rescind such approval by resolution if the subject matter of the ordinance is governed or to be governed by a city or town ordinance. An ordinance may apply to the unincorporated areas of the county, to part or parts of such areas or to a combination of incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county, as the board deems appropriate and subject to the approval of a city or town as specified in this subsection.

E. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit a county from exercising such powers and authority as are granted under other provisions of state law.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Solid Waste Fee Ordinance
2024-2025

Public Notice of Proposed
Solid Waste Fee Schedule
Change for Pima County

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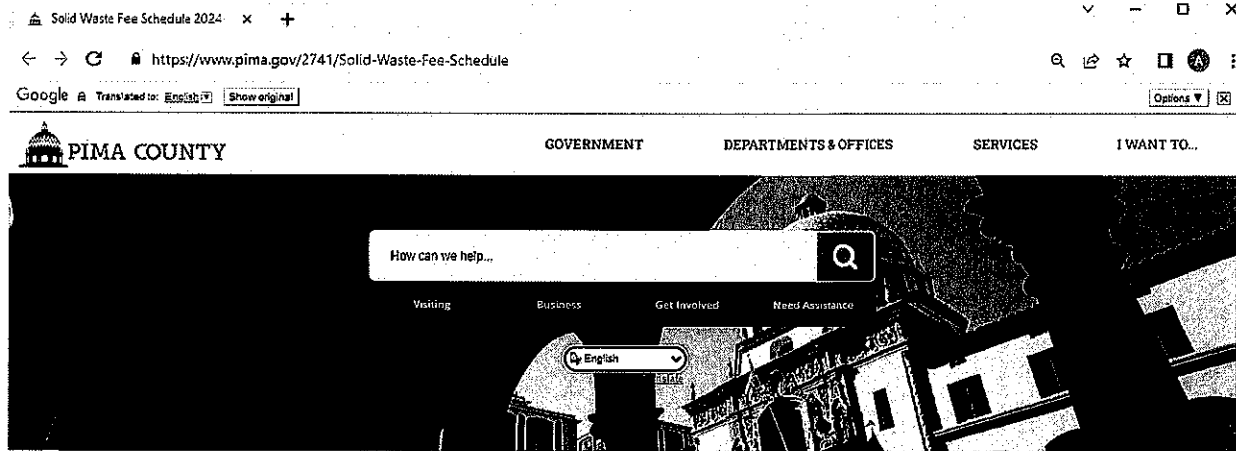
The proposed ordinance, current ordinance, and additional information can be found on the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) website at <https://www.pima.gov/2741/Solid-Waste-Fee-Schedule>.

Written comments on the proposed ordinance may be submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) online <https://www.pima.gov/2741/Solid-Waste-Fee-Schedule> or on paper. Comments must be received by October 10, 2023, to be considered in PDEQ's presentation to the Pima County Board of Supervisors. For paper copies of information, to submit written comments, or for more information, please contact PDEQ at 520-724-7325, Abigail.Okrent@pima.gov, or 33 N. Stone Avenue, 7 th Floor, Tucson, Arizona 85701.

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PDEQ web page: <https://www.pima.gov/2741/Solid-Waste-Fee-Schedule>



Solid Waste Fee Schedule Public Comment Form

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SOLID WASTE FEE SCHEDULE 2024-2025

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- [Current Fee Waste Ordinance \(Ordinance 2017-040\) \(PDF\)](#)
- [New Proposed Ordinance \(PDF\)](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(PDF\)](#)

Hello, how can I assist you today?
Click here to ask questions



October is National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month

This month, the world comes together to raise awareness about bullying prevention and to reflect on where we were, where we are now, and where we hope to be in the years to come. This year's Bullying Prevention Awareness Month marks the 17th anniversary since its inception powered by PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center. Since 2006, the event has grown to be celebrated for an entire month with educational and awareness activities and is recognized by schools and communities around the world.

October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month

October 15 is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

Every year we add new names to our "In Memory of Love" banner. Without proper treatment, the most devastating risk of intrahepatic cholestasis of pregnancy is stillbirth.

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month was first declared by President Ronald Reagan on October 15, 1988. On that day he said:

"When a child loses his parents, he is called an orphan. When a spouse loses his or her partner, he or she is called a widow or widower. When parents lose their child, there is no word to describe them. This month recognizes the loss suffered by so many parents in the United States and around the world. It also aims to inform and provide resources to parents who have lost their children due to miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, molar pregnancies, stillbirths, birth defects, SIDS and other causes.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness

a moment to recognize the connection between domestic violence, birth control, and pregnancy.

While domestic violence affects people of all genders, races, and ages, it disproportionately affects women. In fact, more than 1 in 3 women experience some type of intimate partner violence during their lifetime. Domestic violence is also the most common health problem reported during pregnancy; Almost 1 in 6 pregnant women have been abused by their partner.

October, Cybersecurity awareness month

Surely you have already read or seen in various media that October is the month in which different countries organize to promote the importance of Cybersecurity in governments, companies and even on a personal level, but where did this come from and why has it not been made a 100% trend in Latin America?

Well, here's a little bit of history... It emerged around 2004 in the United States, with the intention of promoting cybersecurity among citizens and organizations, with the aim of providing updated information on cybersecurity through awareness and exchange of good practices.

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

With the exception of skin cancer, breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among American women. Mammograms are the best way to detect breast cancer in its early stages, when it is easiest to treat and before it is large enough to be felt or cause symptoms.

What are the symptoms?

There are different symptoms of breast cancer, and some people have no symptoms. Some symptoms of breast cancer are:

- Any change in the size or shape of the breasts.
- Pain in any part of the breasts.

de Desechos Solidos 2024-2025

Aviso sobre el Cambio Propuesto de la Tarifa de Desechos Solidos
en el Condado de Pima



ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

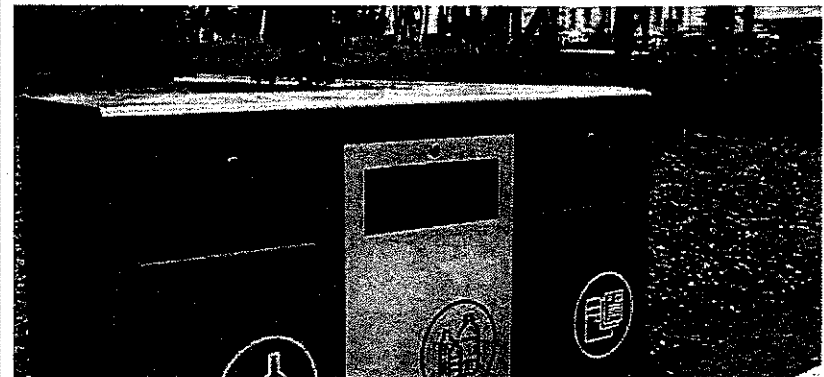
El Departamento de Calidad Ambiental del Condado de Pima está avisando que habrá una audiencia pública para revocar la Ordenanza No. 2017-40 y adoptar la Ordenanza No. 2023-____. La ordenanza propuesta revocaría y reemplazaría las tarifas actuales para deshacerse de desechos sólidos, aumentando ciertos cobros. La audiencia está programada para la reunión de la Junta de Supervisores del 7 de noviembre, 2023 a las 9:00 a.m.

La ordenanza propuesta, la ordenanza actual, e información adicional se puede encontrar en la página web a <https://www.pima.gov/2741/Solid-Waste-Fee-Schedule> del Departamento de Calidad Ambiental del Condado Pima (PDEQ).

Comentarios escritos sobre la ordenanza

propuesta pueden ser enviados a PDEQ en línea en <https://www.pima.gov/2741/Solid-Waste-Fee-Schedule> o en papel. Los comentarios deben ser recibidos antes del 10 de octubre, 2023 para ser considerados en la presentación de PDEQ a la Junta de Supervisores del Condado Pima. Para copias de información en papel, para enviar comentarios por escrito, o para más información, contacta a PDEQ al 520-724-7325, Abigail Okrent@pima.gov, o 33 N. Stone Avenue, 7th Floor, Tucson, Arizona 85701.

La audiencia pública comenzará a las 9 a.m., o después, el 7 de noviembre, 2023, en la sala de la Junta de Supervisores del Condado Pima Administration Building, 130 W. Congress Street, 1st Floor, Tucson, Arizona 85701. Para hablar durante la audiencia pública, debes enviar tu solicitud antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 6 de noviembre, 2023, por correo electrónico al secretario de la Junta. Para más información y preguntas sobre la audiencia, visita www.pima.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx o contacta al Secretario de la Junta al 520-724-8449 o COB_mail@pima.gov.





PIMA COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

The Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) is proposing to change some solid waste fees.

The new fees would go into effect on January 1, 2024.

PDEQ is accepting public comments on the fee increases through October 10, 2023.

Visit <http://bit.ly/PDEQfees> or scan the QR code for more information.



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A public hearing on the proposed fee increase is scheduled for the Pima County Board of Supervisors' meeting on November 7, 2023, at 9 a.m. or thereafter.

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PIMA COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

El Departamento de Calidad Ambiental del Condado Pima (PDEQ) propone cambiar algunas tarifas de desechos sólidos.

La nueva tarifa entraría en efecto a partir del 1 de enero, 2024.

PDEQ está aceptando comentarios del público sobre el aumento a la tarifa hasta el 10 de octubre, 2023.

Visita <http://bit.ly/PDEQfees> o escanea el código QR para más información.



Para copias de información en papel, para enviar comentarios por escrito, o para más información, contacta a PDEQ al 520-724-7325, Abigail.Okrent@pima.gov, o 33 N. Stone Avenue, 7th Floor, Tucson, AZ 85701

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La audiencia pública comenzará a las 9 a.m., o después, el 7 de noviembre, 2023, en la sala de la Junta de Supervisores del Condado Pima Administration Building, 130 W. Congress Street, 1st Floor, Tucson, AZ 85701.

Para hablar durante la audiencia pública, debes enviar tu solicitud antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 6 de noviembre, 2023, por correo electrónico al Secretario de la Junta. Para más información y preguntas sobre la audiencia, visita www.pima.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx o contacta al Secretario de la Junta al 520-724-8449 o COB_mail@pima.gov.



PIMA COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

The Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) is proposing to change some solid waste fees. The new fees would go into effect on **January 1, 2024**.

PDEQ is accepting public comments on the fee changes through **October 10, 2023**.

Visit <http://bit.ly/PDEQfees> or scan the QR code for more information.



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Solid Waste Fee Ordinance

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PDEQ announced that it would collect public comments until October 10, 2023. We also announced that public comments could be received by the Board of Supervisors up to 5pm on November 6, 2023.

PDEQ received 2 public comments, both through our online comment form, and both requesting that fees not be increased. Those comments are attached here, as are PDEQ's response letters.

Solid Waste Fee Ordinance

Public Comments Received

1.

****Fields with asterisks (*) are required and must be completed before submitting.****

First Name	john
Last Name	Koenig
Street Address or P.O. Box	211 w.1st ave
City	Ajo
ZIP Code	85432
Comments	why have commnts when you have already raised the rates?democracy ,i mean totleterian government in action

2.

****Fields with asterisks (*) are required and must be completed before submitting.****

First Name	Kandise
Last Name	Andrist
Street Address or P.O. Box	435 S Camino del Portillo
City	Green Valley
ZIP Code	85614
Comments	Request to NOT increase fees. Fee is reasonable especially for retired and lower income residents.



October 11, 2023

John Koenig
211 W. 1st Ave
Ajo, Arizona 85432

Re: Pima County Solid Waste Fee Ordinance Comments

Dear Mr. Koenig

Thank you for your comment. Your comment will be included in the information we submit to the Board of Supervisors.

The fee has not yet been increased. The hearing on that decision will be on November 7, 2023, as stated in the public notice.

If you feel that you cannot pay the increased fees at the landfills, you can apply for a discounted fee of \$2 per entry. Ajo residents may apply for the landfill discount at the International Sonoran Desert Alliance Ajo Works office located at 321 E Taladro, Ajo, AZ. Walk-in hours are on Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Appointments may be scheduled by calling the office at 520-387-3570.

Please reach out to us if you have additional questions or concerns about this matter. Please note that any comments received after October 10, 2023, will not be included in PDEQ's presentation to the Board of Supervisors. If you wish to submit a comment directly to the Board of Supervisors, email COB_mail@pima.gov before 5pm on November 6, to be considered at the November 7, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting. You may also contact your Supervisor, Sharon Bronson, directly at District.3@pima.gov.

Sincerely,

Abigail Okrent
Environmental Quality Manager – Rules and Policy

Scott Pitts, Director



October 11, 2023

Kandise Andrist
435 S. Camino del Portillo
Green Valley, AZ 85614

Re: Pima County Solid Waste Fee Ordinance Comments

Dear Ms. Andrist,

Thank you for your comment. Your comment will be included in the information we submit to the Board of Supervisors.

The existing fee discount for low-income users will not be affected by the proposed rate changes. I have attached the current flyer on the discount.

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Sincerely,

Abigail Okrent
Environmental Quality Manager – Rules and Policy



PIMA COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Pima County Solid Waste Program
Financial Hardship Fee FY 2024 Qualification Process

The Community Action Agency accepts applications for a number of services available to Pima County residents. A resident who qualifies at 150% of the poverty level guidelines established by the Federal Government qualifies for the financial hardship entry fee of \$2 at the Sahuarita, Ryan Field and Catalina Transfer Stations.

The chart below may serve as a guideline in which to determine if you fall within this category. For example, a one-member household must have a gross monthly income of \$1822 or less.

Federal Poverty Guidelines effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

Solid Waste Program (Landfill) Flat \$2 entry fee												
# of HH members	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Up to 150%	\$1,822	\$2,464	\$3,106	\$3,748	\$4,390	\$5,032	\$5,674	\$6,316	\$6,958	\$7,600	\$8,242	\$8,884

Examples of income documentation are:

- Pay stubs (within the last 30 days from the date of application)
- Severance pay
- Current government award letters (Social Security, SSI, unemployment, cash assistance, etc.)
- Retirement Pension Self-Employment (IRS 1099 Form or Ledger Statement)
- Child Support
- Spousal Maintenance

If you determine your household falls within the 150% poverty guideline established by the Federal Government and you wish to apply for services, call 520-724-2667 and speak to a service representative at the Pima County Community Action Agency. State that you are calling regarding the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality Solid Waste Program Financial Hardship Fee Qualification Process. If you are considered eligible, the representative will set up an appointment.

If you apply and qualify, the Solid Waste Office will be notified by the Community Action Agency. Once the notification is received, your name will be added to a list for a \$2 entry fee for one year from the date of application. You will receive a letter from the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality, Solid Waste Management Division, confirming your qualification and the requirements and/or guidelines to follow at the Sahuarita, Ryan Field and Catalina Transfer Stations. You must re-apply annually.

Ajo, AZ Residents-Ajo Landfill

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