



Town of Turner, Maine

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), Bulky Waste & Recycling

The Town of Turner (hereinafter called the “Town”) is accepting proposals from qualified companies for disposal of Turner’s Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), Bulky Waste and mixed recycling.

All proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes marked “Waste Disposal & Recycling Services” to the Town of Turner, 11 Turner Center Road, Turner, ME 04282, by Noon Thursday, February 12, 2026. Proposals will be awarded at the Tuesday, February 17 Board of Selectmen meeting to be held at 6:00pm. Any proposal received after the deadline will not be considered. Questions regarding this request for proposals should be directed to the Town Manager. The contract will run from April 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028.

Transportation of materials shall be the responsibility of the town, and only licensed haulers will be used. Proposals may be for all service components in the Scope of Services section, or a single component. A contract may be awarded to a single contractor for all services, or separate contracts may be awarded to more than one contractor for individual components.

Each proposal shall state the business name, address, phone number as well as references. The successful Contractor shall be required to sign an acceptance agreement, contract. The Town of Turner reserves the right to:

1. Reject any and all proposals;
2. Waive technical or legal deficiencies or informalities that do not affect the validity of any proposal as determined by the Town;
3. To accept any proposal in its entirety, or individual components of a single proposal, that are in the best interest of the Town, and;
4. To negotiate the terms and conditions of any proposal leading to acceptance and final execution of contracts for services.

Any questions regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) should be directed to Kurt Schaub, Town Manager, at 207-225-3414 or email at kurt.schaub@turnermaine.com.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The Town desires to contract for disposal of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), Bulky Waste and mixed recycling materials from the Town of Turner's Transfer Station. The work shall consist of disposing of materials in accordance with state law and regulations at a licensed facility. All labor, fuel, vehicles, tools, equipment, protective clothing, materials, supplies and services necessary shall be provided by the selected vendor(s). The licensed facility(ies) shall meet all Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regulations and requirements.

Municipal Solid Waste:

Solid Waste shall be disposed of in compliance with state laws and regulations. A detailed accounting that includes date, weight and container number shall be maintained and reported to the town with the monthly invoice. A report of total tonnage shall be provided to the town annually, by March 1. The town disposed of 1,406 tons of MSW in 2024.

Bulky Waste

Bulky Waste shall be disposed of in accordance with state laws and regulations. A detailed accounting that includes date, weight and container number shall be maintained and reported to the town with the monthly invoice, as well as a listing of items (date and quantity of each) that incur additional disposal fee(s). A report of total tonnage shall be provided to the town annually, by March 1. The town disposed of 788 tons of Bulky Waste in 2024.

Recyclable Materials:

Turner currently uses a Zero Sort system for the collection of recyclable materials. Depending on cost, alternative processing/disposal methods may be considered. A detailed accounting that includes date, container number and weight shall be maintained and reported to the town with the monthly invoice. A report of total tonnage shall be provided to the town annually by March 1. The town disposed of 126 tons of mixed recyclables in 2024.

D. Proposal:

The proposal shall outline the services offered to the Town of Turner.

The proposal shall be broken into three cost categories and itemized:

1. MSW Disposal – Tipping Fee and any other fees that may apply.

2. **Bulky Waste** – Tipping Fee and any other fees that may apply (i.e. mattress surcharge).
3. **Recyclable materials** – Tipping Fee and any other fees that may apply. If a system other than Zero Sort is proposed, any changes to the town’s collection system shall be specified, as well as educational support to transition town residents to the new system.

TERM & PRICE:

The Contractor shall provide price quotes for any or all of the three categories mentioned above; MSW, Recyclable materials and Bulky Waste, and shall articulate any contingencies or specific conditions. The selected service provider(s) shall enter into a contract with the Town of Turner. **The contract shall be from April 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028.** However, should the Contractor fail to adhere to the terms of the contract, or for reasons outlined by the Turner Board of Selectmen, the Board may terminate the contract with 30 days written notice.

ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION:

The Town reserves the right to waive any formality in proposals, and to accept or reject any or all proposals should it be deemed in the best interest of the town.