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COUNTY 2020 RECYCLING TOTALS EXCEED STATE STANDARDS

The Crow Wing County Land Services Department has released the 2020 Recycling Report showing total recycling tonnage in the county increased by over 55% from 2019 to 2020. Overall, just over 67,000 tons of material has been recycled through the County Recycling Program last year. "This study shows we are exceeding state standards, increasing recycling, and decreasing the tonnage of material being placed in our landfill," stated Ryan Simonson, Environmental Services Supervisor.

At the same time, the County reduced costs by 28% from 2019 to 2020, and is projecting an additional cost reduction of 49% from 2020 to 2021. The County funds two main recycling drop-off sites and also offers a 50% cost sharing program for Cities and Townships that wish to partner on additional sites. The City of Nisswa has chosen to participate in this program, increasing the number of drop-off sites in the County to three.

Customers are reminded to sort their recyclable materials into the following four separate categories for disposal into separate containers at the drop-off sites:

1. Cardboard
2. Paper
3. Glass
4. Plastic/Tin/Aluminum

The complete 2020 Recycling Report can be viewed on the Crow Wing County website at www.crowwing.us, and search for "Recycling Report." The full report presents data and contains additional discussion on the County's state-of-the art landfill and integrated solid waste management system, which provides a safe, reliable, and essential disposal option for residents and businesses.

The Land Services Department is committed to providing excellent customer service while helping our residents make wise decisions that protect Crow Wing County's extraordinary natural resources. Citizens are encouraged to contact the Environmental Services - Solid Waste Office at (218) 824-1010 to discuss solid waste issues or visit the Crow Wing County Web Site at www.crowwing.us for more information.

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