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Local municipalities working together to prepare for transition to new provincial recycling program

Feb. 3, 2025 - This summer, the nine member municipalities of the Centre and South Hastings Waste Services Board will join communities throughout Ontario in the province-wide transition to producer-responsibility residential recycling collection.

This transition follows provincial legislation requiring businesses that sell packaging and paper products to be responsible for collecting, processing and recycling those materials.

Beginning July 17, 2025, the management of local blue box recycling programs will transition from Quinte Waste Solutions to Circular Materials Ontario (CMO). CMO has contracted E360 Solutions to provide curbside residential recycling collection to the member municipalities.

This change will come into effect for the City of Belleville, City of Quinte West, Madoc Township, Municipality of Centre Hastings, Municipality of Marmora and Lake, Municipality of Tweed, Prince Edward County, Township of Stirling-Rawdon, and Tyendinaga Township - on July 17, 2025.

What does this change mean for local waste and recycling services?

- Curbside residential recycling collection will continue in all nine member municipalities.
- Your curbside collection day may change starting in July. Any changes to your collection service will be communicated by your municipality starting this spring.
- All recyclable materials currently collected will continue to be collected. Additional materials may be collected at the discretion of Circular Materials Ontario and E360 Solutions.
- Residents will still have access to household hazardous waste (HHW) disposal at the HHW depot, located on Wallbridge Crescent in Belleville, and through mobile community events hosted in each member municipality.
- Industrial, commercial and institutional (ICI) collection (i.e. places of worship, BIAs and not-for-profit organizations) is currently handled a variety of ways across the nine



member municipalities. Any changes to your local ICI collection will be communicated by your municipality starting this spring.

Resources and quick links

- Circular Materials Ontario Recycling in Ontario
- <u>Government of Ontario The Blue Box Program and the Benefits of Producer</u>
 <u>Responsibility</u>
- Government of Ontario Blue Box Regulation

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