

HISTORY

Millard County and the City of Delta, in recognition of the potential impacts of growth in population and support services required by the Intermountain Power Project (IPP) to be located in the Delta / Lynndyl area of the county, requested the aid of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State Health Department (SHD) in formulating a solid waste management plan. The EPA provided funding through the Technical Assistance Panels Program for the development of such a plan by Fred C. Hart Associates, Inc. in 1982.

The county's solid waste management plan was adopted and implemented through the Millard County Commission and the respective incorporated communities through an Interlocal Governmental Cooperation Agreement in 1986. The agreement provided for the closure of fourteen (14) open dumps sites located throughout the county, and the installation of eleven (11) waste transfer stations, the construction of a new regional solid waste disposal landfill east of Delta, the redevelopment of a bulky waste landfill in Fillmore, and a small solid waste disposal landfill in Garrison for the west desert area of the county. The unpermitted open dump site at Garrison was closed July 30, 1997, and a twelfth (12) transfer station was located at the existing site.

The County would provide services for collection of waste delivered to the transfer stations together with transportation of such waste to the new regional landfill.

The agreement provided for the ongoing ownership of the individual waste transfer stations by the respective communities in which they are located, the creation of a Waste Advisory Board, the adoption of a waste management fee schedule, the adoption of "acceptable" waste management ordinances by the communities and services to be provided by the county.

In 1986 the Millard County Landfill Department was created in its current waste disposal program. At that time three employees were hired by the county to operate and manage all aspects of solid waste disposal in the county with the exception of those services provided by private waste haulers. There are currently five full-time and one part-time employees in the landfill department.

On March 1, 1996, residential fees were increased from \$4.00 to \$8.00 per household per month. Those fees were reflected on city utility bills or Utah Power and Flowell Electric bills. New commercial fees were adopted on July 1, 1996.

On February 6, 2007, residential fees were increased from \$8.00 to \$11.00 per household per month. New commercial fees were adopted at the same time. Those fees were reflected on city utility bills or Utah Power and Flowell Electric bills.

On January 8, 2019, residential fees were increased from \$11.00 to \$12.00 per household per month. New commercial fees were adopted at the same time. Those fees are reflected on city utility bills or Utah Power and Flowell Electric bills. See 2019 fee chart at millardcounty.org.