



MDEQ Solid Waste/Recycling Assistance Programs

To promote its mission of protecting Mississippi's environment, the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) offers assistance grants for projects involving certain solid waste management and recycling activities and provides other assistance for abatement of certain solid waste problems. This information summarizes these assistance programs offered by the MDEQ. Please refer to the contacts listed at the end of each program description for grant applications, guidelines, and information.

Solid Waste Assistance Grants (SWAG)

The grant money can be used for:

- Illegal dump cleanup
- Collection programs and sites for bulky wastes
- Recycling program costs
- Collection programs and events for household hazardous wastes (75%)
- Employing a Local solid waste enforcement officer (50%)
- Programs to prevent illegal dumping
- Public Education Programs

Non-Competitive County "SWAG" Grants

- Each county may apply for a solid waste assistance grant amount allocated by State-aid Road Mileage formula. Counties can combine an application for an allocated amount with an application for a competitive grant as described below.

Request Deadline: April 30th of each State Fiscal Year

Competitive Local Government "SWAG" Grants

Who can apply for Competitive SWAG Grants?

- Cities
- Counties
- Regional Solid Waste Authorities and other multi-county entities

Request Deadlines: October 1 and April 1 of each State Fiscal Year

Contact: Felisa Keyes at (601) 961-5626 or Fkeyes@mdeq.ms.gov
Jerri Lewis at (601) 961-5370 or Jlewis@mdeq.ms.gov
Kim Grant at (601) 961-5250 or Kgrant@mdeq.ms.gov

Solid Waste Planning Grants

The grant money can be used for developing comprehensive solid waste plans for:

- Personnel/contractual costs
- Travel related to planning process
- Public notice/hearing
- Publication costs, survey costs, other expenses

Who can apply for Solid Waste Planning Grants?

- Cities
- Counties
- Regional Solid Waste Authorities and other multi-county entities

Request Deadline: April 30th of each State Fiscal Year

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Regional Recycling Cooperative Grants

The grant funds can be used for:

- Recycling Program Costs
- Recycling Collection System Costs
- Recyclable Material Transportation Costs
- Recycling Equipment/Construction Costs
- Integral Recycling Personnel Costs
- Public education and outreach materials and promotional campaigns for recycling

Who is eligible for the Regional Recycling Cooperative Grants?

- Non-profit consortiums, organizations or cooperatives formed by local government entities.

Request Deadline: Not determined at this time.

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Trent Jones: at (601) 961-5726 or Tjones@mdeq.ms.gov

Waste Tire Assistance Grants

Local Government Waste Tire Collection/Cleanup Grants

The grant money can be used for:

- Collection sites
- Transportation costs
- Storage trailers or units
- Contractual disposal costs
- Public Education Programs

Who can apply for Waste Tire Assistance Grants?

- Cities with a solid waste plan
- Counties
- Regional Solid Waste Authorities

Request Deadline: Anytime during the State Fiscal Year

Contact: Felisa Keyes at (601) 961-5626 or Fkeyes@mdeq.ms.gov
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Waste Tire Incentive Recycling and Research Grants

The grant money can be used for:

- Recycling equipment
- Support structures
- Demonstration projects
- New product development

Who can apply for Waste Tire Incentive Recycling and Research Grants?

- Research institutions
- Private recycling companies
- Cities
- Counties
- Regional Solid Waste Authorities

Request Deadline: October 1 and April 1 of each State Fiscal Year

Contact: Charlie Bock at (601) 961-5232 or Cbock@mdeq.ms.gov

Waste Tire Abatement Program

The tire abatement funds can be used for:

- Cleanup of illegal waste tire dumps

Who is eligible for waste tire abatement program assistance?

- Owners of property upon which waste tires have been illegally dumped or where tires were dumped prior to 1992.

Request Deadline: Anytime during the State Fiscal Year

Contact: Charlie Bock at (601) 961-5232 or Cbock@mdeq.ms.gov

Nonhazardous Solid Waste Corrective Action Trust Fund (CATF)

The Trust Fund can be used for:

- Emergency actions at historic closed municipal waste landfills (closed before 1994)
- Preventive/corrective actions for contaminant release
- Monitoring and post-closure at eligible landfill sites

Who is eligible for CATF Assistance?

- Owners of landfills that accepted household garbage and that closed prior to the effective date of the Federal Subtitle D Regulations (October 1, 1993, and April 1, 1994)

Request Deadline: Anytime during the State Fiscal Year

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Household Medical Sharps Collection Program

MDEQ provides collection services and containers for:

- Local collection programs help collect and dispose of used medical sharps devices generated in administering health care in personal residences.
- The program helps to remove these medical sharps devices from the normal residential trash collection so that the devices do not pose hazards to sanitation workers, landfill employees and the general public at large.

Who is eligible for the program?

- Local pharmacies owned by independent business owners or corporate chains
- Local Fire Stations
- Local Health Departments
- Other public or private partners interested in providing a local collection service for medical sharps

Request Deadline: Anytime during the Year

Contact: Bill Barnett at (601) 961-5641 or Bbarnett@mdeq.ms.gov
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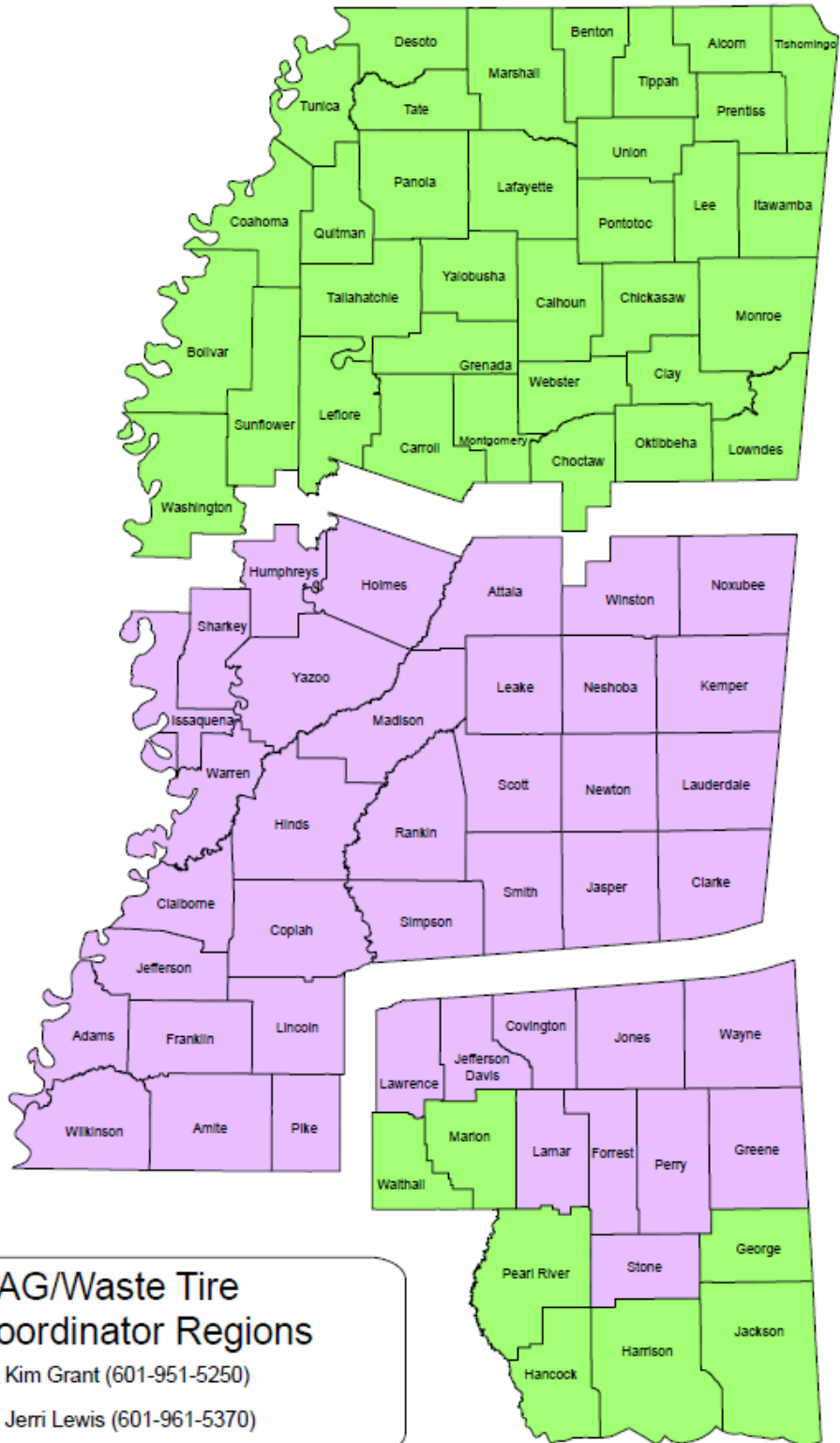
**Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Solid Waste Policy, Planning, and Grants
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601-961-5171**

Or

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Grant Coordinator Regions



SWAG/Waste Tire Grant Coordinator Regions

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