Dear Hollis Residents,

Household trash and recyclables are disposed of within the Town of Hollis. Hollis residents have disposed of other items such as furniture, appliances, etc., either at one of the various commercial entities in the area or at the Waterboro Transfer Station. In years past, we have had an agreement with the Town of Waterboro to utilize their transfer station. The residents of Hollis paid for this service through the purchase of Transfer Station Stickers and fees imposed for the disposal of various items.

Earlier this year we were contacted by the Waterboro Board of Selectmen to restructure our agreement. In May of this year, the Boards of Selectmen of Hollis, Waterboro, and Dayton toured the facility. During this time the Transfer Station was referred to as a Regional Facility and the Town of Hollis was asked to contribute annually to the cost of operating the Waterboro Transfer Station for the upcoming year. This contribution in the amount of \$33,152 would be in addition to the fees that Hollis residents are charged by Waterboro for the Transfer Station Stickers and for the disposition of each item.

In May we informed the Waterboro Board of Selectmen that we had concerns about using the term "Regional Facility" as we have no input into the operation or the fee schedules imposed on residents and Towns. We also suggested that if they truly intended to be a "Regional Facility" they should have a Board of Directors consisting of members from Waterboro and other Towns utilizing the facility. Lastly, after careful consideration, we acknowledged that although we understood their need to seek additional funding sources, the assessment that the Town of Waterboro is proposing to charge the Town of Hollis was not feasible for us at this time.

On December 2, we received notice from the Town of Waterboro that their Board of Selectmen voted to terminate the agreement that allows Hollis residents to use the Waterboro Transfer Station effective January 1, 2012. We are currently working on plans that will either enable Hollis residents to dispose of items previously taken to the Waterboro Transfer Station right here in Hollis or at another local transfer station. Until that time residents can use Riverside Recycling in Portland or contact private trash haulers.

Please note that this pertains to items previously taken to the Waterboro Transfer Station only and will have no effect on our weekly trash and recycling pick up.

If you have questions regarding these changes, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,
Town of Hollis
Board of Selectmen
Don Marean
Dave McCubrey
Irving "Ben" Severance