

CITY OF LOGAN, UTAH  
RESOLUTION NO. 19-63

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A COUNTY-WIDE PLASTIC WASTE  
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, The City of Logan is responsible for the collection and disposal of municipal solid waste countywide; and

**WHEREAS**, Plastic bags and plastic film have become a waste management concern in Cache County because lightweight plastic waste blows out of the garbage cans and garbage trucks during collection and transportation to the landfill; and

**WHEREAS**, The Logan City Council is aware of the difficulties of managing plastic bags and plastic film waste and the cost associated with the management of plastic waste; and

**WHEREAS**, The Logan City Council has reviewed the attached plastic waste management plan proposed by Logan City Environmental Department; and

**WHEREAS**, The Logan City Council recognizes the need to educate the public on the proper management of this special waste at the pre-consumer and post-consumer levels; and

**WHEREAS**, The Logan City Council recognized the need to keep our environment free from plastic litter, especially in areas where the solid waste is transported, processed, and disposed.

**WHEREAS**, The Logan City Council supports any all recycling and or proper management of plastic waste.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LOGAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**, supports the Environmental Department's attached county-wide Plastic Waste Management Program and directs the Environmental Department to move forward with its uniform and equitable implementation.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE LOGAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL THIS 3 DAY OF  
December, 2019.

Ayes: Anderson, Bradfield, Jensen,  
Alsen, Simmonds

Nays: none

Absent: none

ATTEST:

Teresa Harris  
Teresa Harris, City Recorder

Jeannie F. Simmonds  
Jeannie F. Simmonds, Chair



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# Cache County Plastic Management & Education Plan

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Prepared by Bear River Health Department & Logan City Environmental Department



**P**lastic bags and plastic film have become a waste management concern in Cache County. They fly out of garbage cans when emptied into trucks, dumpsters, at the transfer station, and at the North Valley Landfill and cause difficulties at the recycling facility. This lightweight plastic creates litter and other environmental concerns in Cache County and raises the cost of solid waste management.

To combat the plastic problem in Cache County, the Solid Waste Advisory Board is working with Logan City Environmental

Department and the Bear River Health Department to implement a "Plastic Management Program" for Cache County. We want to ensure our community remains a healthy and litter free place to live, work and grow. We want to take an approach that fosters a community effort that engages and coordinates with multiple partnering cities and towns, agencies, businesses, and individuals.

The Plastic Management Plan has four major components:

1. Community assessment of bag distribution and retailer assessment of current plastic management in store
2. Comprehensive educational campaign about plastic bag use using the newspaper, radio, social media, and community events
3. Develop the bag reduction policy with retailer feedback
4. Work with retailers to formulate plastic reduction plans as part of the bag reduction policy

The goals of this plan are to:

1. Reduce the number of plastic bags and amount of plastic film in the waste stream
2. Reduce the amount of litter associated with plastic bags and film

## Bag Reduction Policy

The proposed bag reduction policy requires support from producers of both pre-consumer (plastic shipping waste, waste from the manufacturing process, etc.) and post-consumer (carryout) bag waste. Businesses with the potential to contribute the plastic bag problem will be asked to implement a plastic reduction





plan. While specifics are still being formulated, some suggested plastic reduction plans are described below:

*Suggested **pre-consumer** plastic reduction plans:*

- **Option 1:** Recycling. Businesses will implement plastic bag recycling at their facility and provide reports quarterly.
- **Option 2:** Containment. Businesses will bundle bags sufficiently before being disposed of with the garbage so that plastic bag waste cannot blow at the landfill or transfer station or from the trucks.

*Suggested **post-consumer** plastic reduction plans:*

- **Option 1:** Elimination of free single use plastic bags
- **Option 2:** Provide plastic bags only if the retailer charges a \$0.10 fee per bag supplied (retailer keeps revenue).

**Note: Some businesses may need to participate in both a pre-and post-consumer plastic reduction plan.**

As an incentive for participation, business entities who do not wish to create a plastic reduction plan will be charged a special handling fee surcharge of \$17.50/ton of waste they generate (or \$1.09/yard/pickup) to their existing garbage rates based on volume or tonnage (depending on how the customer is billed) after one written warning.



## What can you do to help?

We want to make this a cooperative process that considers our retailers concerns about our proposed plastic reduction policy and plan. Our aim is to gain your support and endorsement of the plastic reduction plan. To aid us in this process, we would like your participation in both the retailer assessment of plastic bag waste and in one of two upcoming retailer meetings.

Retailer meetings will be on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 1:30 pm at the Logan City Environmental Department located at 153 W 1400 N in Logan. You will be receiving a personal invitation in the mail. Please call Emily at 435-716-9792 or email her at [emily.malik@loganutah.org](mailto:emily.malik@loganutah.org) if you do not receive the invitation and would like more information or to RSVP.

*This plastic reduction plan is endorsed by:*

