

Where our Waste Goes.

Since the closure of the Genoe Landfill, waste from the City of Owen Sound is hauled to a landfill in Michigan under contract with Miller Waste.

Last year, 3,000 tonnes of our residential waste were hauled to Michigan. Waste from businesses and institutions was hauled there as well.

The reliance on the Michigan landfill makes us susceptible to the risk that the border will be closed to waste from Canada. Should the border close tomorrow or in 2010 as planned, Miller Waste is required to find an alternate site for disposal, but that may be difficult.

Fortunately, Owen Sound residents divert 55% of their waste through recycling, composting, and swaps. However, reducing our waste further will also reduce our exposure to the risk of a closed landfill.



***Towards a Sustainable Integrated
Waste Management Solution
For Owen Sound***