

WM NEWS

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Atascocita Landfill Summer 2022

SUMMER SAFETY REMINDERS FOR KIDS & DRIVERS

From our smallest fans who enjoy seeing big WM trucks each day to drivers who are out and about during the day, we want to remind you to stay safe around big trucks this summer. Safety precautions are important now more than ever when children are spending the most time outside during summer break.

SUMMER SAFETY TIPS:

- ▶ Keep at least 15 feet from the truck. Never climb on the truck. Do not play or stand in or around waste and recycling carts or cans, since you may not know when the truck is coming to empty them.
- ▶ Learn the schedule of when service vehicles are in the area. Waste and recycling trucks, postal vehicles, and other package delivery services keep regular schedules within each neighborhood.
- ▶ It takes service vehicles about twice as long to stop as a passenger car, so never cut in front of or stop suddenly in front of one.
- ▶ Do not allow children to help with loading any materials into the truck and do not stand behind the truck while it is being loaded. Be cautious of debris that may be dislodged during compacting.
- ▶ Vehicles like WM trucks make frequent stops and often back up, so don't follow the truck closely while walking, running, biking, skating, or driving. Stay alert and listen for the backup alarm with "beep-beep-beep" sounds.
- ▶ There are several areas where visibility can be restricted for the driver. If you cannot see the driver's eyes, they may not see you.
- ▶ Every WM truck is equipped with a backup alarm. Whether you are walking or driving near one of our trucks, if you hear this sound or see the white backup lights, be sure to move out of the way of the truck.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Summer is here in full force! We've had a busy first half of the year at the landfill. We've had several projects completed, and operations continue to be steady.

In May we began construction of a new 11-acre cell. The project should be completed by the end of the summer.

Our gas team is preparing to install 23 new gas wells at the site. These new gas wells will extract landfill gas and turn it into renewable natural gas (RNG). The RNG is used for many items such as natural gas within your home and powering natural gas vehicles/engines.

In addition, the new gas wells, combined with the misters installed this year, help to reduce odors.

We were able to cut, disk, and seed the landfill this Spring. However, lack of precipitation is not helping with grass growth.

As a reminder, our landfill is open to the public Monday – Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Saturday from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM.



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Public Landfill Hours

Monday- Friday: 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Saturday: 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Sunday: Closed



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NO PROPANE TANKS
IN YOUR RECYCLING DROP-OFF

Propane tanks must be recycled properly to prevent safety hazards.

For more information on how to safely dispose of a propane tank, visit a licensed propane dealer.