

Road Agents Report

The winter of 2008 -2009 seems like ancient history as I sit down in January 2010 to write this report.

Last winter began with a couple of nuisance storms at the end of November but mother nature got busy in December when we either plowed or sanded 20 days out of 31 which includes the big ice storm of 08, which really doesn't seem that bad now. The rest of the winter was fairly typical and we plowed a 7" storm the day before town meeting for the last storm of the year.

Anyone who lives on a dirt road knows what comes after town meeting, mud season and last year was the worst one that I can remember in 20+ years in this business. We began spreading stone on town meeting day and spread the last load on April 7th on Miller Pond Road. Two of our summer projects were done on sections of Burpee Hill road and Miller Pond road that got particularly bad. We changed culverts placed road fabric, 6" of course bank run gravel and 4" of crushed gravel on 1200' of each of these roads. We also ditched and spread crushed gravel on the last 1500' of Burpee Hill road. We ditched, changed culverts and spread 4" of crushed gravel on 2400' of Old Farms road from Walker road to New Aldrich road to prepare for paving, which was done in September. In addition to this new paving we were also able to extend the pavement at the other end of Old Farms road from Meadowbrook road to the bottom of the hill. We are now within approximately 2500' of having Old Farms road completely paved.

Throughout the summer we ditched, changed culverts and spread gravel on the last several hundred feet of Howe Hill road as well as grading, raking, spreading gravel and chloride on the other gravel roads throughout town.

These are the main projects we accomplished this summer but there are many other problems that arise throughout the year, such as tree clean up from high winds, minor erosion from thunder storms, beavers plugging culverts, replacing street signs, equipment maintenance, cemetery clean up and mowing and last but not least paperwork. Needless to say we keep busy at a wide variety of tasks.

As always thank you for your patience and support,

Joe Newcomb, Road Agent

Jeff Hastings, Assistant Road Agent

Transfer Station

Greetings to all.

Here we are again—this year 2009 has certainly been one of change. There have been many changes starting with the passing of the torch at the executive level. I bid a fond farewell to Tina Stearns who resigned her position as Town Administrator to move on to other endeavors. To Tina, I wish all the best and say thanks for everything and on the same note I welcome Becky Newton as the new Town Administrator.

As many of you may have noticed there are new members on the staff here now. This happened in June as Ron Fowler and Ray Hamilton resigned their positions and are missed by the residents. We welcome Chris Scott and Dave Bocash to the team. On the subject of changed you will take note that we don't have a burn pile anymore. This is because we have gone green and we now haul our "green waste" to be ground up and used to make electric power.

The most recent change you may have noticed is the new door on the front of the shop. This was done for several reasons. The most important reason was to stop heating the outside and the best reason was for safety purposes. In February 2010 we moved to new hours. There is an increase in operational hours for the public so as to give you more access to the facility. The new hours also give the staff two (2) days off consecutively. Rest well needed.

The year 2010 will be another one of change. We will now be closed for all national holidays. Please remember folks that if you have "bulk items" or anything that requires disposal tickets to purchase them before your trip to our facility. You will be required to have a disposal ticket for bulk items.

In 2010 we will be having our Hazardous Waste Collection Day so keep your eyes peeled for the date. As soon as a date is known to me we will advertise it and inform you as to what we can accept for materials.

Another change that I'd like to mention is that for the first time I got to take two (2) very prominent people out on the road with me in the rolloff truck. The first was Becky Newton and the second was Selectman Connie Jones. It was a real treat to have them both in my mobile office. It gave me a chance to show the executive branch how I earn my keep and show them it's no bowl of honey out there. Both impressed me with the fact that they got out on the tipping floor and watched the entire evolution. Thanks so much ladies. I felt that it was good that they took the time to ride, look, see and ask questions. Thank you very much for having confidence in my ability and enough trust in me to know that I would keep you safe and keep the other motorists safe as well.

On that note please know that we try to make your trip to Mt. Trashmore safe and humorous and as helpful as we know how. When all else fails people ask us. We can

and will help if asked and if you have suggestions please let us know. I can't fix what I don't know is broken. Well folks I guess this puts the lid on this year's annual report. Many thanks to one and all.

Respectfully submitted this day of 26, December 2009 AD.

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Town of Grantham, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2009	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Paper	202.01 tons	Saved 3,434 trees!
Scrap Metal	49 tons	Conserved 49,397 pounds of coal!
Steel Cans	11640 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 302,640 hours!



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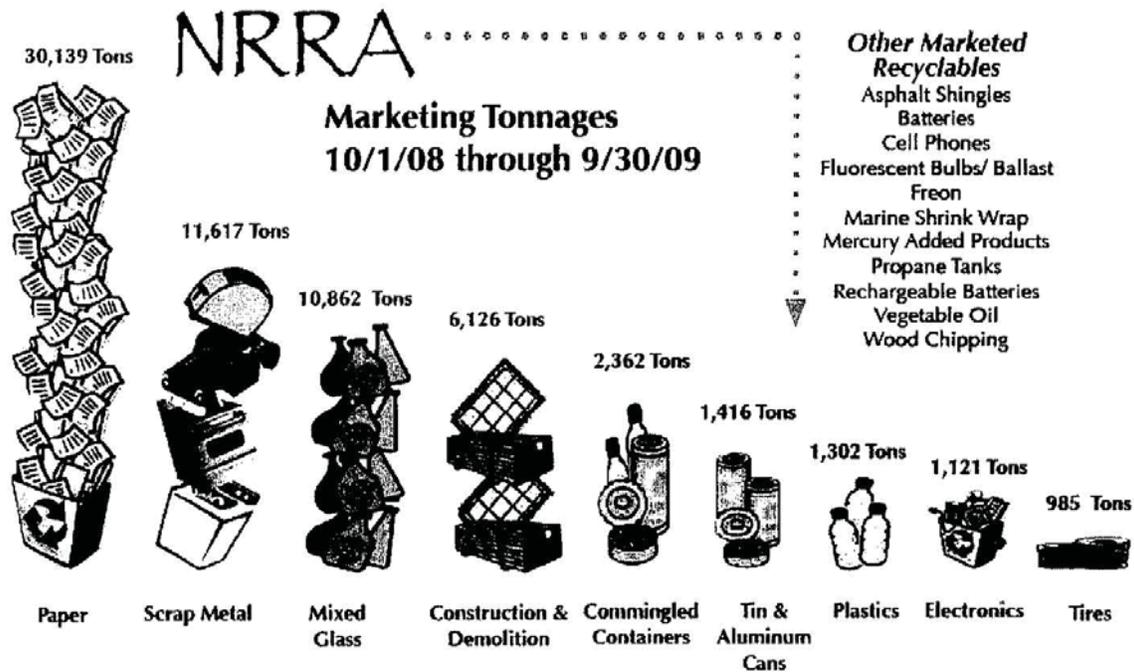
Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 29-year-old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date **Technical Assistance** in waste reduction and recycling;
- **Cooperative Marketing** to maximize pricing and **Cooperative Purchasing** to minimize costs.
- Current **Market Conditions** and Latest **Recycling Trends**;
- **Innovative Programs** (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream)
- **Educational and Networking Opportunities** through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Bi-weekly "Full of Scrap" email news, monthly Marketing meetings, website, semi-annual newsletter and Fall Bus Tour;
- **School Recycling Club** - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts.

The membership has grown to include more than 360 municipalities, businesses and individuals in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine. NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a "brokerage fee" or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal "Co-op" Fee" which is re-invested into programs to further your recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities.

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 65,930 tons in fiscal year 2008-2009!



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