



**MINNESOTA POLLUTION
CONTROL AGENCY**

**Street Sweepings and
Leaf Management**

The purpose of this survey is to gain a better understanding of how you are managing organic materials such as leaves in street sweepings. Your participation in the survey provides us with important information as we continue to identify cost effective methods for reducing phosphorus. Thank you!

I represent a:

- 95 (97.9%) City
- 1 (1.0%) County
- 1 (1.0%) Town or township
- 0 (0.0%) Watershed Management Organization
- 0 (0.0%) Other

Please specify

- 0 (0.0%)

Which region of the state are you from? Click on the appropriate area of the map.

- 52 (70.3%) Metro
- 3 (4.1%) Central
- 2 (2.7%) Northwest
- 3 (4.1%) Northeast
- 3 (4.1%) Southwest
- 11 (14.9%) Southeast

Which of the following best describes how do you manage your sweepings?

- 37 (37.8%) Not screened; landfilled
- 25 (25.5%) Screened; Sweepings are screened and the organic portion utilized
- 20 (20.4%) Depending on season or other factors we screen sometimes and not other times
- 16 (16.3%) Other

Please describe

6 (100.0%)

If you utilize the organic portion, how is it used?

17 (32.1%) Composted and used as cover (e.g. at landfills, construction sites, etc.)

16 (30.2%) Composted and made available for residents

17 (32.1%) Given or delivered to another entity (e.g. a composting facility)

3 (5.7%) Other uses

Please describe:

2 (100.0%)

If you were to significantly increase the amount of organic material you collect from sweeping, how big a challenge would managing the material be?

25 (25.8%) A big challenge

42 (43.3%) Somewhat of a challenge

19 (19.6%) Not a challenge

11 (11.3%) I'm not sure

Comments:

27 (100.0%)

Please describe the challenges associated with increased collection. (e.g. cost of landfilling, insufficient space for storing material, insufficient demand for screened material)

57 (100.0%)

The MPCA hopes to use this information to identify appropriate practices for managing street sweepings. Please indicate if you are interested in any of the following:

72 (88.9%) I would like to be kept informed of developments on this issue

25 (30.9%) I would be willing to provide additional information if requested

11 (13.6%) I would like to participate in this process as it moves forward (e.g. advisory role, review materials, etc.)

Please provide your name and email so we can contact you.

73 (100.0%)

Please use the space below for any additional comments:

8 (100.0%)

Thank you for helping us gather information on this important water quality protection tool.