

Larimer County Solid Waste Improvement Facilities and Program

After 60 years of operation, the Larimer County Landfill was expected to close in 2025. The county was generating more than 500,000 tons of solid waste per year. The \$39.5 million Larimer County Larimer County Solid Waste Improvement Facilities and Program pairs a new landfill and diversion facility and transfer station to create a one-stop shop for construction and yard waste, food scraps and recycling. They are the first two of five County-approved projects that aim to divert 40 percent of trash from the landfill while creating a plan for public education, outreach and solid waste reduction.

The project delivered a 317-acre landfill that nearly doubles the size of the old landfill, and a 44,000-square-foot Central Diversion and Transfer Station building. Most of the county's solid waste will be dropped off, compacted, and loaded onto trailers at the Central

Diversion and Transfer Station for transport to the landfill. The project begins implementing the county's long-planned effort to increase recycling and diversion.

The landfill uses unique designs to overcome site-specific challenges while enhancing operational reliability and long-term performance. It promotes sustainable waste practices by protecting groundwater and surrounding natural resources, verifying long-term environmental stewardship, and increasing diversion. This encourages material recycling, reuse and recovery and extends the lifespan of the landfill. Completed in 2026, the landfill and station opening marked not just a monumental day for Larimer County but showcased how cities and counties across the region can manage their waste programs.



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