

# Tioga County 2020 Local Law Source Separation

Public Hearing  
September 23, 2020

- 2020 Local Law - Source Separation
- Countywide Curbside Recycling Bid Results and Program going forward



# **NYS Solid Waste Management Act 1988**

Requires all counties to adopt local laws or ordinances requiring the separation and segregation of recyclable or reusable materials from solid waste.



# Local Law

- 1992 Local Law - Tioga County Recycling & Source Separation

# Why do we need to update the 1992 Local Law

- Ensure recycling continues in Tioga County
- Needs updating – to remove dated information



# Tioga County Recycling Program

Tioga County initiated a Countywide Curbside Recycling Program in 1992



# Current Recycling Program in Tioga County

- Weekly Countywide Curbside Recycling
- Current contract expires the end of this year
- Lowest bid more than double the cost for biweekly service. Increase of \$1.26M



# Countywide Curbside Recycling Bid Results

- Lowest bid was \$2.48M per year
- \$12.4M over the 5-year contract

Much of this increase was due to the recycling commodities prices plummeting end of 2017





# You may still be asking what is the problem???

- Cost will more than double
- 2% Property Tax Cap - New cost = 5.1%\*
- Vacant and agricultural land paying for a service not used



\* Based on 2020 Budget

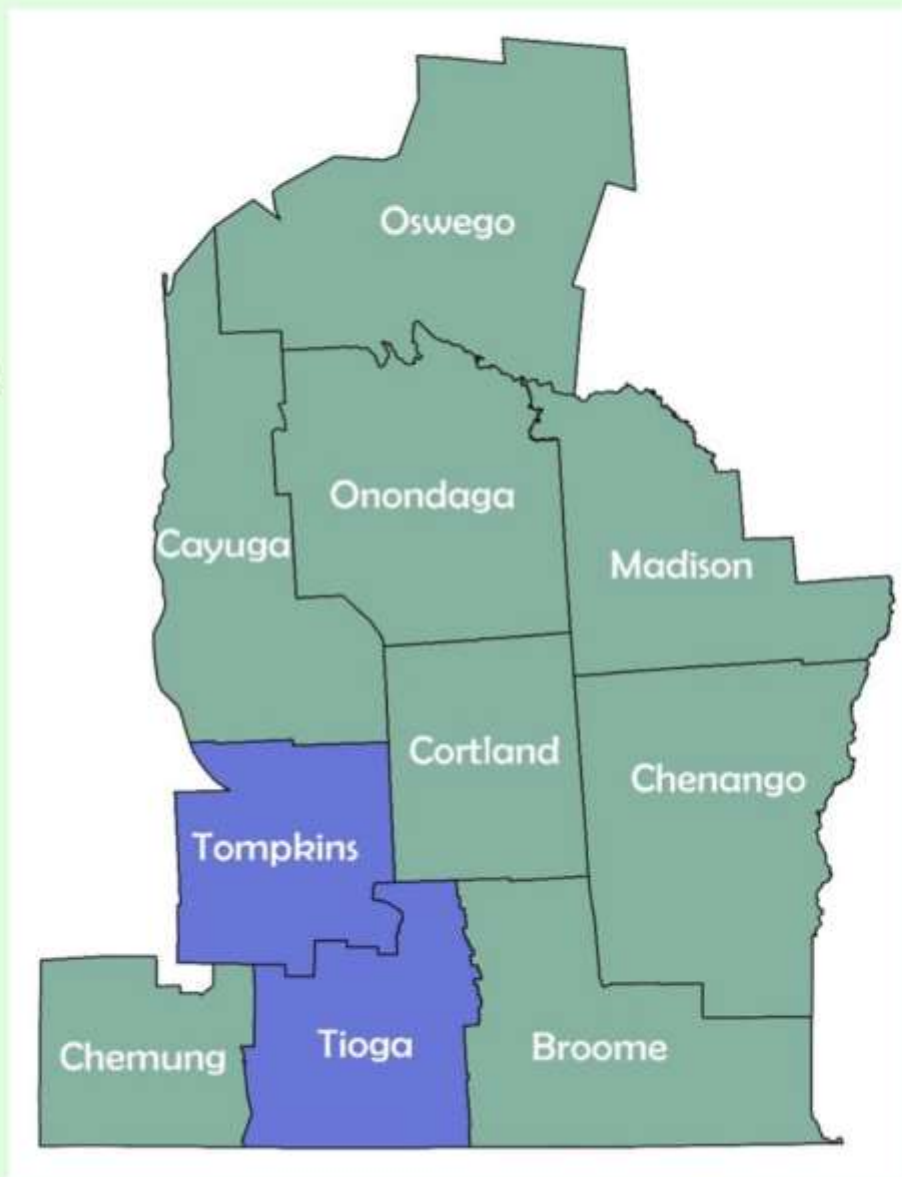


## What do other counties do?

Most counties in New York State do not have countywide curbside recycling

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-  Do not have countywide curbside recycling
-  Have countywide curbside recycling



Most counties do not provide countywide curbside recycling.

NYS DEC Region 7



## What do other counties do?

Private haulers and local municipalities that collect garbage also collect the recycling





## What do other counties do?

Residents that bring their garbage to a transfer station or landfill bring their recycling with them and place in appropriate location.



# Proposed Recycling Program



For those of you who drop your garbage off at one of the local transfer stations, you can drop your recycling off in the recycling containers there.



If your garbage is collected at your curb, the hauler YOU choose will be providing recycling likely with a surcharge.



We Can All Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, &  
Compost

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[recyclingcomments@co.tioga.ny.us](mailto:recyclingcomments@co.tioga.ny.us)

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