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## **NWSWD TO TAKE OVER ALBURGH TRANSFER STATION OPERATIONS IN DECEMBER**

[FAIRFAX, VERMONT]—On November 14, NWSWD’s Board of Trustees voted to approve a memorandum of understanding between the Town of Alburgh and NWSWD, which effectively turns over management of the Alburgh transfer station to the District, effective December 2024. The move came two weeks after the [Alburgh Selectboard’s October 28 passage](#) of the same MOU.

The Northwest Vermont Solid Waste District will lease the transfer station’s land and equipment for 2.5 years, subject to renewal in summer 2027. Per the agreement, NWSWD promises to continue employing the transfer station’s current employees “so long as they adhere to the district’s personnel policies, performance standards and procedures.” The district also agrees to maintain the transfer station’s current hours for at least a year after taking over operations. Prices will come into alignment with the District’s other sites.

“We’re excited to add another site to our operations, allowing us to better serve residents of the Champlain Islands,” says NWSWD Program Coordinator Mikhala Kaseweter. “The Alburgh transfer station is a critical piece of infrastructure in the region. When the Town decided it no longer wanted to run the station, officials came to us, and we happily obliged. It was important to the town to keep the transfer station open, and we agree; it’s too great a resource to shutter just because the Town wants to get out of the trash business.”

NWSWD Executive Director John Leddy is quick to point out that “keeping the transfer station in operation benefits not just Alburgh residents but also those in neighboring communities such as West Swanton and Isle la Motte.”

A transfer of operations to NWSWD has long been discussed, seeing a potential takeover as a path to smoother operations and more consistent logistics, owing to the District’s extensive experience in the region’s waste management. The agreement goes into effect December 1, 2024.

Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District (NWSWD) is a legislatively chartered Municipal Corporation charged with planning, implementing, and regulating waste management strategies for member communities.

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