# PUTNAM COUNTY SANITATION DEPARTMENT FACTS

- The Sanitation Department was established in 1987.
- Our goals are to provide continual training for employees to maintain state required certification, to provide superior customer service in a cost effective manner, and to also provide a safe, convenient atmosphere for solid waste disposal at all facilities.
- The Central Landfill is located at 140 County Landfill Road, Palatka (386) 329-0395, approximately 3 miles north of Palatka off of Highway 17.
- ✤ The Huntington Collection Center is located at 1551 CR 308, Crescent City (386) 698-1115, approximately 2 miles west of Crescent City.
- ✤ The Interlachen Collection Center is located at 111 Hickory Lane, Interlachen (386) 684-2460, approximately 1 mile west of Highway 315, off of Highway 20.
- ♦ All facilities are open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- ✤ All facilities are closed for New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.
- There are nineteen (19) full-time employees and two Deputy and inmate work crews. We have one inmate work crew that is used for Landfill maintenance and repair. Our other inmate work crew is designated for illegal dumpsite clean-up.
- The Department includes nine (9) different budgets, of which Sanitation oversees eight (8) and Keep Putnam Beautiful overseas the other one (1).
- ♦ We take in approximately 79,000 tons of solid waste per year.
- ✤ Approximately 5,600,000 gallons of leachate are transported to the City's wastewater treatment plant and to Jacksonville, by a third party contractor, per year.
- Approximately 900 tons of waste tires are disposed/recycled each year from our facility.
- Approximately 7,500 tons of yard waste are mulched each year, at a cost of \$8.50 per ton.
- ✤ Approximately 600 tons of scrap metal are recycled annually.
- Our recycling rate is 40%.

## WHAT IS NOT ROUTINELY DONE

#### **SANITATION:**

- The Department does not routinely engage in the cleanup of illegal dump sites on private property. Call Codes Enforcement at 386-329-0463 and they will take the lead on the situation.
- The Department does not have the necessary equipment to pick up discarded boats. Call Public Works at 386-329-0346.
- We do not pick up dead animals. Call Animal Control at 386-329-0396 and they will take the lead on the situation.

#### **MOSQUITO CONTROL:**

- The Department does not routinely engage in spraying on private property or non-County maintained roads.
- We cannot spray when it is raining.
- We cannot spray when the wind is blowing more than 10 MPH.
- We cannot spray in temperatures below 60 degrees.
- We can no longer spray on complaints alone. The State requires one or more of the following additional verification methods in addition to complaints:

\*trap counts \*landing rate counts \*positive sentinel chicken

Note: If a "Bee Keeper", "Organic Grove", or a "Fish Hatchery" wishes to be in a "NO SPRAY ZONE", they MUST do so by calling 386-329-0397 and requesting it.

### WASTE PRO:

- They may not pick up garbage, yard trash, or recycling on private roads. Call Waste Pro at 386-328-5445 and they can arrange for a pick up location on the nearest County maintained road for the residents.
- They do not pick up glass in the recycling bins. Glass can be brought into the glass recycling containers located at the Central Landfill, the Interlachen, and the Huntington Solid Waste and Recycling centers.
- For large yard waste piles, they can only pick up two hoppers full (two pickup truck loads) at a time. They
  will continue to pick up two hoppers full each yard trash pickup day until it is gone. For a fee, you can
  contact Waste Pro at 386-328-5445 to clean up the entire pile at one time.

See Waste Pro calendar enclosed for specifics on how to handle your garbage, yard trash, and recycling.