



# Lower Richland Drop-off Center Relocation: Frequently Asked Questions

*Richland County continues to work toward a suitable solution for the drop-off center's location. Please stay tuned for updates.*

## **Q: What changes have occurred at the Lower Richland Drop-off Center?**

**A:** The County's Solid Waste Division recently decided to limit the size of trailers entering the site to 8 feet because of safety concerns. This means some customers can no longer use the site, which is at 10531 Garners Ferry Road, Eastover.

## **Q: What prompted the changes?**

**A:** Increased safety concerns for both customers and personnel, as trailers larger than 8 feet and heavy loads were causing congestion on Highway 378. The current infrastructure does not safely accommodate customers who could be backed up into the roadway.

## **Q: Is the Lower Richland drop-off site closing?**

**A:** The current site is not meeting the needs of the residents who use it. The County is exploring all available options to find a location large enough to safely and effectively meet residents' needs. Whether this involves closing the current site or relocating it is part of the ongoing evaluation.

## **Q: Is the drop-off center moving from its current location to Chain Gang Road?**

**A:** No, there has been no decision made to move the drop-off center to Chain Gang Road.

## **Q: Has the County picked a location for the new site?**

**A:** No, a location has not been chosen for a new site. The County is preparing a list of possible sites to share with the community to get residents' input. Community feedback will play a significant role in the decision-making process.

## **Q: Why was a rezoning request made for Chain Gang Road?**

**A:** County Council has not authorized a rezoning request for Chain Gang Road. The County's Planning Department will erect a "deferred sign," indicating a rezoning request is not currently being pursued.

## **Q: What is the process for finding a new location for the drop-off site?**

**A:** The process involves several steps:

- Staff will identify potential locations based on various criteria.
- These prospective locations will be shared with the community for its input and feedback.
- County Council will review the information gathered, including community input, and make a final decision on the new drop-off center site.

## **Q: Where can I take my items if my trailer does not meet the specifications for the Lower Richland drop-off site?**

**A:** Several alternative options are available for disposal of items:

- **Richland County Construction & Demolition Landfill**  
1070 Caughman Road N., Columbia  
Phone: 803-576-2390  
Hours: Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m.;  
Saturdays, 7 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (closed Sundays)
- **Waste Management-Richland Landfill** (a fee may be applied)  
1047 Highway Church Road, Elgin  
Phone: 866-909-4458  
Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
- **L&L Landfill** (a fee may be applied)  
1703 Screaming Eagle Road, Lugoff  
Phone: 803-788-6418  
Hours: Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.