



# SIoux LOOKOUT

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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Fees To Increase at Hidden Lake Landfill

*Sioux Lookout, ON* – The landfill fees for waste disposal will be increasing for residents of Sioux Lookout.

“The landfill fee increase is based on the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) as reported in June each year by Statistics Canada,” explained Jeff Hawley, Manager of Public Works and Infrastructure. “The landfill does not receive any funding from your tax dollars, it is a user pay system. This means the landfill fees charged must generate all of the money it needs to operate in a year.”

As such, matching the annual CPI is necessary to ensure that the landfill has adequate funds to pay for increased fuel costs and other operating expenses. The CPI for 2022 is 8.1%. This increase will apply to all materials charged for at the landfill. As an example, the current minimum charge is \$7.80 for a 50 kg load. Effective September 27, 2022, the minimum charge will increase to \$8.43.

This rate increase does NOT apply to bag tags for curbside pickup. Garbage bag tags are currently \$2.60 each and will not be increasing at this time.

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