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CITY TO BEGIN DISTRIBUTING RECYCLING ROLL OUT CARTS

Approximately 3,600 Households to Receive New Recycling Carts

The Town of Morehead City is pleased to announce the delivery of new 95 gallon recycling roll out carts to residential and small business accounts that are currently on the city's curbside residential recycling program. The program currently uses 18 gallon recycling bins.

Based on the positive experiences of other communities who have made this transition and a pilot program initiated last year in Morehead City, an increase in the amount of recyclables collected is expected.

The City's Public Works Department will begin delivery of the new carts beginning the week of Monday, October 20, 2014. The recycling carts are blue in color to distinguish them from garbage carts. The new carts will be easier for customers to set out for collection and will provide five times more space than the current bins. By increasing the capacity for recyclables the City will add new items that can be collected as well as afford the opportunity to alter the collection frequency from weekly to every other week (EOW). Please review the attached map depicting the new routes. Additional information including an initial collection schedule calendar is available on the City's website at <http://moreheadcity.nc.gov/>

The City will be divided into four recycling routes with collections made on Thursdays and Fridays. Approximately half of our recyclers will begin their every other week collection on Thursday, November 6 and Friday, November 7 (Week A) while the remaining customers will begin their every other week collection Thursday, November 13 and Friday November 14(Week B).

Garbage and yard waste collection will not be affected by this change.

The Public Works Department will provide a community information meeting for those interested in learning more about the changes. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 22nd at 6:00 pm upstairs in the Municipal Building Council Chambers located at 202 S. 8th St.

This conversion to recycling roll out carts was greatly aided by a grant from the North Carolina Division of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance.