

## Tim Brownell

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**From:** shansapp Sappingfield <shan\_sapp@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 25, 2026 9:38 AM  
**To:** Tim Brownell  
**Subject:** Re: Recycling Expansion

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Thanks so much for your very prompt reply!

This may be a "hard sell" because the transfer station lets you recycle for free. As long as I can still put one foot in front of the other, this will be my choice. So if the commissioners approve, I will be cancelling my garbage service.

Shannon Sappingfield

On Sunday, January 25, 2026 at 09:18:26 AM PST, Tim Brownell <tim.brownell@deschutes.org> wrote:

Good morning Shannon,

Thank you for your email and question. If you are a current Republic Services garbage service customer, but you do not have recycling collection service offered, then yes, it would be automatically provided to you as part of your garbage service, and your monthly service fees would increase by \$6/month. Under Oregon law, the County and its franchise service providers are not allowed to offer recycling service as an optional service for a subscription service fee. It has to be offered at the same rate as garbage service.

The Board of County Commissioners is holding a public hearing on February 11<sup>th</sup> to listen to the residents of the County who would be impacted by this change as to whether they support it or not. I will be providing copies of all emails and correspondences that we receive to all of the Commissioners in advance of the meeting so that they are aware of folks support for or disagreement with this change.

Thank you for reaching out, and let me know if this is something that you are concerned with,

Tim



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As an existing customer I have just one question...

Will the recycling expansion can be MANDATORY?

Shannon Sappingfield