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#### Whitman County Public Works – Solid Waste Facility

Whitman County is continuing efforts to reduce or eliminate contact between staff and members of the public due to the COVID-19 outbreak. We have recently implemented a credit/debit card system at the solid waste facility, which will allow staff to process payments without direct contact with the facility customers. Starting Monday May 4, we started accepting “self-haul” waste again from the citizens of the County who use credit/debit cards for payment. Until further notice, we will continue to reject “self-haul” customers who wish to use cash or checks. Commercial operations, such as Pullman Disposal and Waste Connections (Empire) will continue as they are on an established “Commercial” accounts, and do not require interaction with facility staff. Other businesses with established commercial accounts will also be allowed to continue. Green wastes and Household Hazardous Wastes, which are currently accepted “free of charge” will still be accepted as there is no interaction with facility staff.

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