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SURVEY ASKS NORTHWEST MICHIGAN RESIDENTS FOR INPUT ON RECYCLING SERVICES

TRAVERSE CITY, MI – Residents in Northwest Lower Michigan are being asked to provide their input on recycling access and infrastructure. The online survey will help to identify gaps and inform improvements residents would like to see in the future.

The survey is funded through a grant from the [Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy \(EGLE\)](#) to help counties understand current material management deficiencies and highlight opportunities for improvement. Networks Northwest, a non-government organization facilitating various programs to build stronger communities in Northwest Michigan, is managing the survey effort.

“As the state pivots from ensuring landfill capacity and toward increasing sustainable materials management, it is important to gather feedback from residents,” said Mathew Cooke, Community Planner with Networks Northwest. “Understanding the current recycling situation will help to identify the gaps that need to be filled to increase recycling and material recovery in Northwest Michigan.”



The Northwest Michigan counties participating in the survey include Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford.

Residents are asked to complete the survey by December 22, 2022. Link to the survey via the QR code or URL: https://resourcerecycling.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3RkCnjt88HHCi7s

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