

# WM NEWS

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## Atascocita Landfill

Winter 2025

### MANAGER'S REPORT

Hello, neighbors! The holiday season is upon us, and we are enjoying the cooler temperatures here at Atascocita Landfill. It's been a busy year, and there are no signs of slowing down as 2025 comes to an end.

We're making great progress on the north hill of the landfill. Our team is currently shaping the north hill to reach its final grade slope. This step is an important part of the closure process. Our next step will be to begin the capping phase to reduce greenhouse emissions. Once complete, this area will meet all environmental and engineering standards, helping protect our community and surrounding ecosystems.

We recently received state certification for full use of our new 13-acre cell, enabling us to continue to manage waste responsibly and efficiently. In December, we will place our first load of municipal solid waste (MSW) into the new cell. This marks a major milestone in expanding our capacity and improving operations.

To make this possible, we've bifurcated the operation, which means we've created two separate working areas. This change will allow us to better serve our customers by providing a safer and more efficient traffic flow throughout the site.

An added benefit of this improvement is that it will reduce congestion on Wilson Road. By keeping customer traffic inside the facility, we can prevent overflow onto the main road, making the experience smoother for everyone and improving safety for our community.

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our operations, please don't hesitate to reach out at 281-446-6545.



**Marco Maldonado**  
District Manager

### SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

Atascocita was out and about in the area this fall supporting local events. Public Affairs Sr. Specialist Jenna Armstrong Bridges made the rounds providing recycling education at Humble Good Oil Days and Park Lakes Elementary Trunk-Or-Treat.



### PREVENTING HOLIDAY FOOD WASTE

With the holiday season upon us, there is a lot to look forward to, including the holiday food we enjoy with family and friends. However, these gatherings can often lead to a hidden issue: food waste. Below are some practical tips for reducing holiday food waste.

**Plan your Menu Thoughtfully:** Estimate how much food you need for your holiday meals and keep a detailed shopping list to avoid overbuying.

**Manage Leftovers Creatively:** Invite guests to bring their own take-home containers or provide recyclable or reusable containers for leftovers.

**Give Leftovers New Life:** Repurpose leftovers into new meals – turkey pot pie, soups, sandwiches, mashed-potato cakes, and more.

**Donate Unopened Ingredients:** If you have unopened, shelf-stable goods, consider donating to food banks or community organizations.

**Divert Rather Than Discard:** Compost when possible. Composting diverts food waste from landfills while also enriching the soil.

### Atascocita Recycling and Disposal Facility

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### Landfill Hours

Monday- Friday: 7 AM to 4 PM  
Saturday: 7 AM to 2 PM  
Sunday: Closed

