This project to promote the use of reclaimed glass in base aggregate results from a collaboration among the Minnesota Local Road Research Board, the Minnesota Technology Transfer (T2) Local Technical Assistance Program (TLAP) at the University of Minnesota’s Center for Transportation Studies, the Minnesota Department of Transportation, and the Office of Environmental Assistance.
Counties discover the benefits of using reclaimed glass in aggregate mix

In 1991, Sibley County found itself with a problem not unfamiliar to other counties and recyclers—finding a use for increasing amounts of glass that had nowhere to go but to a landfill at a cost of $60 a ton.

At the same time, the county also continued to look for quality, cost-effective options for aggregate mixes. When the Gaylord Jaycees asked the county to dispose of a 10-ton glass load, it was the beginning of a new solution to both issues.

The county hauled the load to a gravel pit, fed a 10-to-1 ratio of gravel and glass into the crusher, and produced about 100 tons of Class 5 road gravel mix. Sibley sent samples from the mix to the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) for testing. Mn/DOT’s materials and research laboratory found encouraging results. Research showed that adding glass to gravel actually helped increase the quality of gravel.

A win-win solution

“It proved to be a very successful solution for us,” says Eugene Isakson, at the time the director of Sibley County public works. “It helped us take existing gravel and upgrade it, as well as improve our ability to recycle glass materials.”

After its first test with use of reclaimed glass in aggregate mix, the county completed another project—a 1,200-foot test strip of a four-mile gravel base and bituminous paving project on CSAH 6. This project made it clear that use of reclaimed glass in road construction offered some important advantages.

“Benefits of the procedure appear to be win-win, particularly with the use of substandard sandy gravel, which is very common and available throughout this part of the state,” says Isakson. “The procedure should also provide a market or use for reclaimed glass. Under no circumstances should the type of reclaimed glass detailed in the new Mn/DOT specification be landfilled in the future.”

Q: HOW ARE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ADDRESSED WHEN USING GLASS AS AN AGGREGATE?

A: As a general rule, properly collected, processed, and stored reclaimed glass poses very little, if any, threat to the environment. For unwashed reclaimed glass, the specification calls for suppliers to stockpile the reclaimed glass on soil that allows for free draining and treatment of organic residual, with a minimum depth to groundwater or bedrock of four feet, a minimum distance of 150 feet away from any surface water body, and a maximum slope of 4 percent to any surface water body.
The next steps

Sibley County demonstrated that reclaimed glass can be competitive in price when compared with that of conventional aggregates. Under the right conditions, crushing and blending virgin aggregate with 10 percent reclaimed glass may help upgrade substandard gravel so that the final product then can meet Mn/DOT specifications.

In the six years since the Sibley County project, the successful use of reclaimed glass in aggregate mix began to grow in counties throughout the state. In 1998, the Research Implementation Committee (RIC) of the Minnesota Local Road Research Board (LRRB) decided to fund an outreach project that supports the application of reclaimed glass material in aggregate mix.

As a result, the LRRB and project co-sponsors, Mn/DOT and the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA), recently undertook two important initiatives—completing the writing of a new specification that includes reclaimed glass as an option for Class 7 aggregate as base course, and developing information/outreach materials on the use of reclaimed glass in aggregate mix.

A Technical Advisory Panel helped with both specification development and information/outreach planning for the project. The panel included the following members: Roger Olson, Duane Young, David Beberg, Greg Johnson, Nancy Sannes, and Bruce Johnson from Mn/DOT; Deborah Carter McCoy formerly from OEA; Keith Cherryholmes from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency; Larry Feldhahn from Ramsey County; Susan Young and Craig Cooper from the City of Minneapolis; Kevin Adolf from St. Louis County; Eugene Isakson, former Sibley County engineer; and Dan Krivit from Dan Krivit and Associates.

The Minnesota Technology Transfer (T²)/Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) served as the administrative lead for the project, while a Project Implementation Committee (PIC) addressed direct project implementation. The PIC members included Cheri Trenda from Minnesota T²; Micky Ruiz from Mn/DOT Office of Research and Strategic Services; Roger Olson from Mn/DOT Materials Research (“The Maplewood Lab”); Dan Krivit and Gene Isakson, as the technical consultants; Chris Cloutier from the Office of Environmental Assistance; and Darlene Gorrill, communications consultant for Minnesota T².

Implementation of the reclaimed glass-to-aggregate project will help ensure that all interested city and county engineers are contacted. Technical consultants Krivit and Isakson will continue to disseminate information through “one-on-one” field contact, conferences, meetings, and other venues.

Questions? Please use the contact list on page 3 for the professionals who can help answer your questions.

Q: WHAT KINDS OF RECLAIMED GLASS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR USE IN AGGREGATE MIX?

A: Mixed-color container glass from consumer foods and beverages, ceramic and china dinnerware, and windows from buildings.

Because they contain hazardous materials or are too difficult to process, some types of glass should not be used in aggregate mix. Those types include car windshields, other car glass, light bulbs, porcelain, laboratory glass, and glass from television sets and computers.
• For technical questions about use of reclaimed glass, contact one of Mn/DOT’s District Material Engineers:

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Tony Kempenich, District 3, Brainerd 218/828-2481
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Art Bolland, District 8, Willmar 302/231-5195
Willis Enloe, East Metro, Oakdale 651/779-1111
Joe Korzilius, West Metro, Golden Valley 612/797-3019

• For technical information about implementation issues, contact:

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dkrivit@bitstream.net
Gene Isakson 507/934-3513

• For questions about the Mn/DOT Class 7 specification and applications, contact:

Duane Young, Mn/DOT 651/779-5564
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David Beberg, Mn/DOT 651/779-5608
david.beberg@dot.state.mn.us

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Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance 651/296-3417
www.moeca.state.mn.us

The official Mn/DOT specification that includes the use of reclaimed glass in aggregate mix

In spring 1999, Mn/DOT issued a new specification with some key new features:

• The specification includes the use of 10 percent reclaimed glass in aggregate material for road base.
• It also creates a new class of aggregate material—known as Class 7—which represents aggregate mixtures that contain salvaged/recycled aggregate materials.
• It allows contractors to include the use of reclaimed glass in their bid unless the purchasing government agency specifically excludes use of reclaimed glass in their written project specifications. In the bid, the contractor must specify that they used reclaimed glass to produce Class 7 aggregate that meets the Mn/DOT specification’s quality standards.

With an increasing number of counties using reclaimed glass in their aggregate mix, the timing was right for Mn/DOT to develop a formal specification that officially paves the way for reclaimed glass. The specification provides details on its use. The following list summarizes other highlights from the specification.

• Crushing operations shall produce a well-graded product.
• Combined aggregate, or traditional aggregate plus reclaimed glass, shall meet the requirements of Mn/DOT specification 3138.
• Combined aggregate using reclaimed glass shall not be used for surfacing aggregate including shoulder surfacing.

Mn/DOT distributed copies of the Technical Memorandum 99-08-MRR-04, which includes the

Q: WHAT SAFEGUARDS CAN BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THE RECLAIMED GLASS MEETS THE SPECIFICATION?

A: Ask suppliers for a letter of certification. Look for a sample letter of certification, which confirms the eligibility of the glass and that the glass was collected, processed, and stored properly, in the back folder pocket of this brochure. Check the pocket flap for information about how to obtain additional copies.
A primer on reclaimed glass

Q: What are the benefits of using reclaimed glass in aggregate?
A: Counties that use reclaimed glass in aggregate report several benefits:

• The use of reclaimed glass may help some counties reduce the cost of road construction. Cost savings depend on the quality of virgin aggregate used.
• It offers counties a way to help recycle locally a portion of their solid waste, thus eliminating landfill costs, as well as reducing the need for purchasing virgin material. In total, these actions can translate into economic benefits.
• Research and field results show that using reclaimed glass in the aggregate per the specification results in a product of equal or better quality. Reclaimed glass also enhances the permeability of the base.

Q: How difficult is reclaimed glass to use in aggregate mix?
A: It’s not. Contractors use the same crushing process with the same equipment to produce aggregate mix with reclaimed glass.

At a 10 percent maximum, the amount of reclaimed glass in the aggregate mix is minimal. Reclaimed glass is available either through county or private glass suppliers. This information kit includes a list of glass suppliers throughout the state.

With proper pre-planning and coordination, the glass easily can be incorporated into county construction plans. For example, glass can be stock-piled for several years in preparation for the next scheduled road construction project in the area.

Q: Does reclaimed glass need to be pre-processed before it is blended into aggregate?
A: No. Some counties have used dedicated glass crushers and screens to remove debris, but this is not required. The most economical approach is to stock-pile in “whole bottle” form for blending/crushing in the normal aggregate crushing operations.

Q: Won’t reclaimed glass smell and contain residues that wash into the environment?
A: Glass suppliers need to meet environmental requirements to ensure clean glass that is free of harmful substances. Counties, recyclable collection companies, and recyclable processors need to work together on quality assurance.

Recyclers should provide written certification to counties or aggregate producers that the reclaimed glass contains no hazardous or toxic substances. This information kit includes a sample of a certification letter and more information about environmental issues.

Q: Don’t the aggregate and the reclaimed glass stock need to be stored separately?
A: The specification notes that “the composite mixture may be produced from any combination of
these salvaged/recycled aggregate materials.” It does not require separate inventories of feedstock supplies or final product.

**Q:** What does this mean for aggregate producers?
**A:** Aggregate producers that develop relationships with suppliers of reclaimed glass can gain a competitive advantage, especially if bid specifications require the use of reclaimed glass in aggregate base in bids. Also, virgin aggregate is conserved and, in some cases, lower quality, sub-standard virgin feedstock can be brought up to gradation specifications by utilizing 10 percent glass.

**Q:** What about public reaction? Doesn’t including reclaimed glass in aggregate mix cause some concern?
**A:** Past experience indicates that the general public understands and supports this concept. The use of reclaimed glass offers the advantage of reducing a portion of material that otherwise would go to a landfill. That benefit fits well with the commitment of counties and cities to environmental and economic responsibility.

The news media have reported on the use of reclaimed glass in aggregate mix in Otter Tail County, helping to increase the awareness about the positive aspects of reclaimed glass use in road construction.

**Q:** Who is using reclaimed glass?
**A:** More than 15 Minnesota counties have used reclaimed glass in aggregate mixes for road construction, including Sibley, Hennepin, Ramsey, Cass, Otter Tail, and St. Louis Counties.

This interest in reclaimed glass has grown over the past few years and helped contribute to the development of a formal specification.

**There’s glass, and then there’s glass**

Exactly what kinds of reclaimed glass does the Mn/DOT specification permit for use in aggregate mix?

The list includes container glass for consumer food and beverages; ceramic or china cups and plates; and plate ‘flat’ glass. Sources of glasses include residential and commercial generators.

The specification prohibits glass from cars, glass from light bulbs, and glass with known hazardous characteristics as defined by Minnesota Pollution Control Agency rules.

No matter whether container or flat glass, all recyclers must institute product quality control procedures and inspect glass sources. City and county engineers may choose to inspect the inventories of reclaimed glass stockpiles.

**What other resources exist?**

Please check the folder pocket of this brochure for additional information. For assistance in locating other sources, contact the Mn/DOT Library at 651/296-2385 or the Center for Transportation Studies Library at 612/626-1023.

**Q: HOW DOES THE SPECIFICATION ADDRESS CONCERNS OVER DEBRIS IN THE RECLAIMED GLASS?**

**A:** The specification requires that reclaimed glass “shall not contain more than 5 percent debris,” which includes any non-glass material such as paper, foil, plastics, metal, corks, wood debris, food residue, or other deleterious materials.
Guidelines for estimating debris

The guidelines that follow offer a convenient method for helping determine the readiness of reclaimed glass for use in an aggregate mix. Debris is defined in the Mn/DOT specification as any non-glass material, such as paper, foil, plastics, metal, corks, wood debris, food residue, or other deleterious materials. This is an abbreviated guide to the method. For a full set of charts, contact Mn/DOT’s Office of Research and Strategic Services at 651/282-2274.

Sampling

• Follow normal aggregate sampling procedures in the Mn/DOT Grading and Base Manual. For a copy of the manual, contact Mn/DOT Map and Manual Sales at 651/296-2216.
• When shipping and storing whole bottles at gravel pits, sample the glass within the glass pile before crushing and blending.
• Or when crushing and screening glass before blending, sample the glass coming off the screen.
• Conduct one visual inspection estimate for debris for every 50 cubic yards of reclaimed glass and conduct a general examination of the entire reclaimed glass lot before collecting samples.
• Collect field samples on a random basis.
• If the glass is in “whole bottle” form (without any pre-processing), about 40 pounds should be collected per sample.
• If the glass has been pre-crushed and/or screened, only about 10 pounds is needed per sample because it will be more uniform.

Visual inspection and estimation

• Use an eight- to 10-inch visual test pan that is one to two inches deep.
• If you plan to use “whole bottles” directly as your feedstock, break the containers into smaller pieces (e.g., one-inch minus) so the sample will fit into the test pan.
• Place one to three pounds of reclaimed glass in the test pan and level the sample.
• Compare the amounts of debris in the test pan with the standard reference charts on page seven. Remember to disregard the glass and compare only the unattached debris with the reference charts. (Charts are used with permission of the Society for Sedimentary Geology.)

Data

• It’s helpful to keep a log of visual inspection results. Write down the sample date, shipping date, destination, percentage of debris, type of glass, source of glass, description of glass, sample location, uniformity of batch, sample size reduction procedures, and names of those collecting sample and conducting visual test. Keep the log on file for future reference.

Q: HOW DO I MEASURE THE AMOUNT OF DEBRIS?
A: The guidelines for visual inspection on this page can help quantify debris levels. Quality control may be as simple as visually inspecting the reclaimed glass before the crushing or blending process or before storing. Because crushing operations vary, it makes sense to develop a simple mixing plan to achieve the ratio of reclaimed glass to other aggregate. For example, the glass may be stockpiled along the push ramp to the crusher’s feed hopper, which allows the dozer operator to slightly cut into the glass pile while pushing the larger volume of other aggregate. Or the glass can be dumped within the larger pile of aggregate, and the loader operator can then simultaneously scoop traditional aggregate with a 10 percent bite of the glass pile.
Q: WHO CAN I CALL WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS?
A: Contact the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance at 651/296-3417.
Questions?

Please use the following contact list for the professionals who can help answer your questions.

For technical questions about use of reclaimed glass, contact one of Mn/DOT’s District Material Engineers:

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Experiences of counties with reclaimed glass use in aggregate mix prove successful

The Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA) surveyed counties in 1998 about their use of or interest in using reclaimed glass in aggregate mix. Of the 52 counties that responded, 28 of those counties indicated that they had used, were using, or were interested in using reclaimed glass in aggregate. Brief case studies of several of those counties with experience in use of reclaimed glass in aggregate mix follow.

CASS COUNTY

Before 1998, the operator of Cass County’s Pine River recycling center sorted nearly all glass by color and shipped it to Anchor Glass Corp. in Shakopee, Minn., for recycling into new glass containers. In 1998, the county’s new contractor started to stockpile broken glass, in mixed-color form, at a nearby gravel pit. The county later used this stockpile of mixed-broken glass for blending into aggregate on a county road construction project.

A cost-benefit analysis shows that Cass County now saves an estimated rate of about $1,500 per year by producing aggregate locally from their glass, compared with color sorting all glass for marketing to Anchor Glass, equivalent to a unit savings of about $5 per ton. For more information, contact the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance at 651/296-3417.

HENNEPIN COUNTY

Hennepin County received a grant from OEA to incorporate crushed glass in road base aggregate on the shoulders of County Road 47 in Plymouth, Minn. The mixing of glass with aggregate improved the aggregate’s permeability and strength. Laboratory results also indicated that the material performed slightly better in freezing and thawing conditions.

The success in that project led the county to test the use of crushed glass as a partial aggregate amendment in asphalt. In 1996, the county blended 5 percent crushed glass as part of the bituminous asphalt wear course on an adjacent stretch of County Road 47. It worked so well that the county again in fall 1997 specified the use of 5 percent crushed, screened glass in the asphalt for construction of a parking lot and driveway at its new Public Works Center. For more information, contact Paul Kroening at 612/348-6358.

HOUSTON COUNTY

Using reclaimed glass in gravel mixes helped Houston County recycle glass locally. The county used this application for its glass to avoid high transportation costs, fluctuations in glass container market prices, and the separation of glass. Houston County used a mixture of glass and gravel for Class 5 aggregate. For more information, contact Rick Frank at 507/724-5800.
LAKE OF THE WOODS COUNTY

Rural counties, such as Lake of the Woods, often find the separation of glass an expensive and resource-intensive process. As an alternative to hauling glass to the Twin Cities, the county decided to blend glass with local aggregate for use in road construction subgrade. Again, Lake of the Woods found that the mixture not only helped them solve their hauling issues, but also improved the natural aggregate. For more information, contact Gary Lockner at 218/634-1945.

OTTER TAIL COUNTY

Otter Tail County also wanted alternatives for their glass recycling program and began exploring the use of glass in Class 5 aggregate. In addition to mixed container glass, the county accepts windows, Pyrex, and Corning Ware. It does not accept appliance glass, windshields, or glass from light bulbs for the mix.

In September 1998, the Otter Tail County Solid Waste Department and the Otter Tail County Highway Department sponsored a demonstration, where the county blended glass during the crushing operations with gravel aggregate. The county then placed the subsequent mix as aggregate base for CSAH No. 74 near Amor, Minn. The Minneapolis-based television station, KARE-11, featured a segment on the demonstration. For more information, contact Marie Tysdal at 218/739-2271.

RAMSEY COUNTY

In 1997, Ramsey County successfully used crushed, screened glass in its Larpenteur Avenue reconstruction project. The county specified a six-inch, Class 6 aggregate base and used 5 percent reclaimed glass in the mix. County and state engineers and the general contractor expressed approval at the glass-blended final product.

In 1998, the county specified use of reclaimed glass directly in the first three-inch layer of the two-foot subgrade without pre-blending for the 1998 portion of the Larpenteur project. The county tested the material, known as select granular borrow, and found it can be suitable. However, in 2000, the county decided to stay with the Class 6 aggregate blend as the preferred application for reclaimed glass because of greater quality control provided by the aggregate producer and the new state specification for Class 7 as road base. For more information, contact Larry Feldhahn at 651/483-5206.
We are a recycling company that is responsible for a certified supply of reclaimed glass to you for your further processing and blending as a feedstock in your production of Class 7G aggregate for use as a base course. This letter certifies that we have met all our requirements as a supplier of reclaimed glass pursuant to Mn/DOT specification 3138 (as released under Mn/DOT Technical Memorandum No. 99-08-MRR-04).

Specifically, we hereby certify that all the reclaimed glass that we supply to you:

1. Is reclaimed from container glass used for consumer food and beverages, beverage drinking glasses, plain ceramic or china dinnerware, building window glass free of any framing material, and/or other types of glass that have been certified and approved by Mn/DOT’s Office of Environmental Services on an individual source basis. If we have supplied other types of glass, we have attached the written certification and approval from Mn/DOT, or it is maintained in our files and available upon request.

2. Does not consist of the following types of materials: any hazardous waste as defined in MPCA Rules 7045, hazardous substance in regulated quantities listed in 40 CFR, Table 302.4, automobile windshields or other glass from automobiles, light bulbs of any type, porcelain products, laboratory glass, and television, computer, or other cathode ray monitor tubes.

3. Does not contain more than 5 percent debris by visual inspection. Debris includes any non-glass material such as paper, foil, plastics, metal, corks, wood debris, food residue, or other deleterious materials. We have used methods to estimate debris levels that are consistent with specification 3138, recommendations by Mn/DOT, and the guidelines listed in the Reclaimed Glass Information Kit, issued by the Minnesota Technology Transfer (T²)/LTAP Program at the Center for Transportation Studies.

4. Has been stored in stockpile locations with minimum of 1.2 meters (four feet) depth of suitable soils separating groundwater, a minimum of 50 meters, or 150 feet, away from any surface water body, and a maximum slope of 4 percent if sloped to any surface water body.

To further control the sources, types, and quality of our reclaimed glass supply, we hereby certify that:

5. A good faith effort of public education was used to inform residents and businesses of the eligible and prohibited types of glass to be included for recycling.

6. Our independent sources of reclaimed glass, such as private recyclables haulers, have been notified in writing of these composition and public education requirements and have agreed in writing to comply with them. Further documentation is on file in our offices and available upon request.
RECLAIMED GLASS SUPPLIERS

This list was published by the Minnesota Technology Transfer Program as a convenience to local agency staff and aggregate producers trying to locate possible sources of reclaimed glass for use as an aggregate supplement. This list does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation by the Minnesota Technology Transfer Program. No guarantee or warranty of the reclaimed glass supply amount or quality is implied or provided. Any reclaimed glass supplier that would like to be included in the next edition of this list may do so by simply calling the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance at 651/296-3417. Please be advised that this information changes frequently. Readers are advised to call the recycling center for verification and updated data.

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Garrison Disposal Co.
Tom Bedard, Plant Manager
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Aitkin, MN  56431
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BIG STONE COUNTY
Strege’s Recycling Center
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Ortonville, MN  56278
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320/839-3372 (fax)

CASS COUNTY
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Cass County
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County Courthouse
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Stockman Transfer
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CHISAGO COUNTY
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CLEARWATER COUNTY
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Clearwater County
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COOK COUNTY
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612/522-7608 (fax)
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417 North Fifth Street
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612/348-4046

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Recycling Center
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Houston County Recycling Center
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KANDIYOHI COUNTY
Kandiyohi MRF
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1400 S.W. 22nd Street
Willmar, MN  56201
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612/938-6145 (fax)

KOOCHICHING COUNTY
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Dale Olson and Greg Williams
Koochiching County Courthouse
715 Fourth Street
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LAKE COUNTY
Lake County Recycling Center
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Lake County Highway Department
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218/844-8384 (fax)

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MCLEOD COUNTY
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MILLE LACS COUNTY
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MOWER COUNTY
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NICOLLET COUNTY
North Mankato Materials Recovery Facility
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NOBLES COUNTY
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507/376-6254 (fax)

NORMAN COUNTY
Norman County Recycling Center
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16 East Third Avenue, Room #102
Ada, MN  56510
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218/784-3729 (fax)

Norman County Recycling Center
Duane Wescott, Recycle Minnesota Resources/Waste Management, Inc.
R.R. 2, Box 167 Industrial Park
Ada, MN  56510
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OLMSTED COUNTY
Olmsted County Recycling Center
Steve Winter, Recycle Minnesota Resources/Waste Management, Inc.
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507/252-8479 (fax)

OTTER TAIL COUNTY
Otter Tail County Recycling
Rick Denzel
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PENNINGTON COUNTY
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PIPESTONE COUNTY
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POLK COUNTY
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Crookston, MN  56716
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RAMSEY COUNTY
E-Z Recycling
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St. Paul, MN  55117-5433
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651/224-0315 (fax)

Rice County Recycling Center
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Dundas, MN  55019
507/332-6833

ST. LOUIS COUNTY
Howard Wastepaper, Inc.
D. Scott Howard
414 West 59th Avenue
Duluth, MN  55807
218/628-2388
218/628-2389 (fax)

SHERBURNE COUNTY
Superior Services
2355 S.E. 12th Street
St. Cloud, MN  56304
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320/251-7113 (fax)

SWIFT COUNTY
Swift County Composting and Recycling Facility
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WADENA COUNTY
Wadena Co. Recycling Center
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WASECA COUNTY
Waseca County Recycling Center
Waseca County Solid Waste Office
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WATONWAN COUNTY
Curry Sanitation
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WILKIN COUNTY
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WINONA COUNTY
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NORTH DAKOTA
Minnkota Recycling
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The following sources offer more information about the use of reclaimed glass in aggregate. For assistance in locating these and other sources, contact the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) Library at 651/296-2385 or the Center for Transportation Studies Library at 651/626-1023.

Andela Tool & Machine web site: www.recycle.net/andela

Clean Washington Center, Using Recycled Glass as Construction Aggregate: A Summary of the Glass Feedstock Evaluation Project, a brochure summarizing project results

Clean Washington Center, Best Practices in Glass Recycling, October 1997

Clean Washington Center, Glass Feedstock Evaluation Project, by Dames & Moore


Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board (SWMCB) of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Region in conjunction with the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA) and the Minnesota Department of Administration, Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Guide, “Road Aggregate” fact sheet within the chapter on “Vehicle and Road Maintenance,” April 2000

Guidelines for estimating debris

These guidelines offer a convenient method for helping determine the readiness of reclaimed glass for use in an aggregate mix. Debris is defined in the Mn/DOT specification as any non-glass material, such as paper, foil, plastics, metal, corks, wood debris, food residue, or other deleterious materials. This is an abbreviated guide to the method. For a full set of charts, contact Mn/DOT’s Office of Research and Strategic Services at 651/282-2274.

Sampling

• Follow normal aggregate sampling procedures in the Mn/DOT Grading and Base Manual. For a copy of the manual, contact MnDOT Map and Manual Sales at 651/296-2216.
• When shipping and storing whole bottles at gravel pits, sample the glass within the glass pile before crushing and blending.
• Or when crushing and screening glass before blending, sample the glass coming off the screen.
• Conduct one visual inspection estimate for debris for every 50 cubic yards of reclaimed glass and conduct a general examination of the entire reclaimed glass lot before collecting samples.
• Collect field samples on a random basis.
• If the glass is in “whole bottle” form (without any pre-processing), about 40 pounds should be collected per sample.
• If the glass has been pre-crushed and/or screened, only about 10 pounds is needed per sample because it will be more uniform.

Visual inspection and estimation

• Use an eight- to 10-inch visual test pan that is one to two inches deep.
• If you plan to use “whole bottles” directly as your feedstock, break the containers into smaller pieces (e.g., one-inch minus) so the sample will fit into the test pan.
• Place one to three pounds of reclaimed glass in the test pan and level the sample.
• Compare the amounts of debris in the test pan with the standard reference charts that follow. Remember to disregard the glass and compare only the unattached debris with the reference charts. Charts are used with permission of the Society for Sedimentary Geology.

Data

• It’s helpful to keep a log of visual inspection results. Write down the sample date, shipping date, destination, percentage of debris, type of glass, source of glass, description of glass, sample location, uniformity of batch, sample size reduction procedures, and names of those collecting sample and conducting visual test. Keep the log on file for future reference.
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