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Walker County Commissioner

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Dear Residents of Armuchee Valley:

To those of you using the county's dumpster truck services at the Villanow Fire Station, this is your notification that Walker County can no longer provide this service to your community due to several issues, the main one being the cost of placing a county employee at this location most of the day while charging less than the public pays at the landfill for the same service. For no more garbage than is generated from your community, we couldn't break even at \$8 per 6 bags considering gas and mileage, cost to haul and dispose from the transfer station to Athens, TN and 8 hours of regular wages for a road department employee.

We have tried very hard for several years to make this service work for your community, but the road department's budget is already stretched to the limit providing road services.

White's Sanitation Service, P. O. Box 54, Lyerly, GA 30730 Phone # 706 857-8444 picks up in your community. They charge \$18.00 per month which is \$4.15 a week or \$216.00 per year. This is exactly what I pay to Groves Garbage Service for garbage service where I live in Chattanooga Valley. **I have spoken with White's and they are willing and available to provide curbside service to you. I have also spoken with H & R Sanitation , Inc., P. O. Box 206, Trion, GA 30753 Phone: 800-314-9791. They also service part of the area if you would rather do business with them.**

Alternatives to this service would be for several households to go together and rent a dumpster. White's rents a small dumpster for \$45.00 a month and picks up twice a month. They also have larger sizes. H & R provides dumpsters, too. Or take your garbage to the Walker County Landfill, 5120 N. Marbletop Road, Chickamauga, GA (turn right off SR136 West) with a \$5 minimum for 120 pounds or less of garbage or trash.

The last day the county's truck will be at the Villanow Fire Station is Thursday, April 1, 2010. I hope this gives you adequate time to make other arrangements. We are very sorry for any inconvenience this causes.

Best regards,



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