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### ***South End Solid Waste Services Public Meetings Scheduled***

Two meetings are scheduled for residents wishing to learn more about the solid waste franchise proposals received by the county for garbage service in the unincorporated areas of Gulf Breeze and Navarre. The meetings will give residents the opportunity to learn more about the proposals received and offer input to commissioners and county staff. By offering a franchise to one provider, residents will gain greater services, road damage from multiple garbage trucks will be reduced, and instances of illegal dumping will be reduced, all at rates less than what most residents currently pay. Meetings will be held at:

- Navarre Visitor Center, 8543 Navarre Parkway, Navarre on Tuesday, February 8 at 6 p.m.
- Community Life Center, 4115 Soundside Drive, Gulf Breeze on Thursday, February 10 at 6 p.m.

Approximately four years ago, Santa Rosa County began the process of consolidating the waste collection services for the south end of the county. A request for proposal was offered in late 2010 and closed in January. The Santa Rosa Board of County Commissioners will interview the five top companies who submitted bids on Tuesday February 15. Proposed services provide garbage pick-ups either once or twice per week, weekly recycling, pick-up and removal of yard debris every other week, and bulk item disposal on demand at the average bid of \$51 per quarter.

A letter from Commission Chair Lane Lynchard on the review of waste disposal proposals can be found at [www.santarosa.fl.gov](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov) or by clicking here.

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