



Hamilton

Hazardous and Special Waste

Item 7.4

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- Similar to the Blue Box Transition, the City is working with the Producer Responsibility Organizations (PROs) for hazardous and special products (HSP) covered under Ontario's Regulations for HSP disposal from our household hazardous waste depots located in Community Recycling Centres (CRCs):
 - Automotive Materials Stewardship – automotive products, i.e. anti-freeze, oil filters
 - Thermostat Recovery Program – electronic and mercury containing thermostats
 - Product Care Association – paints, non-refillable propane cylinders, pesticides, solvents
 - Call2Recycle – consumer batteries



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- The City's HHW Depots collect 58 HSP products; only 14 covered under the HSP Regulation as designated items.
- Council approved in July 2022 the continuation of accepting all 58 products to ensure that HSP is properly disposed and avoid negative environmental impacts.
- Municipalities are compensated for designated HSP items collected by PROs. Staff is working with waste industry associations and the PRO to finalize a fair compensation model as the current funding model falls short of municipal costs.
- Data being reconciled and impacts will be reported to Council if changes to the program are recommended.
- Tender for the operation and material haulage from the HHW depots in process.