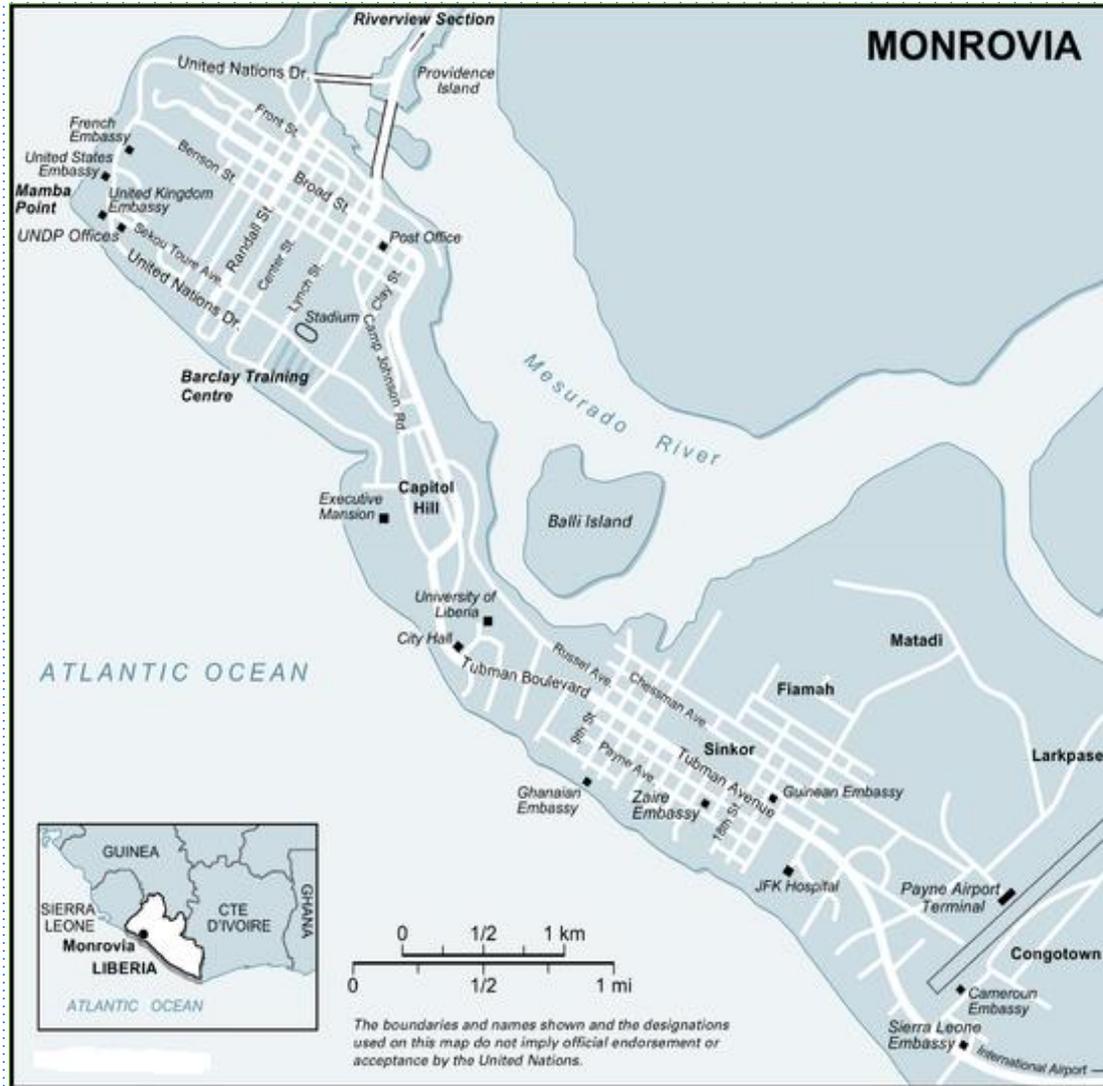


An Overview of Greater Monrovia's Solid Waste Situation

By: Tolbert A. Kerkulah

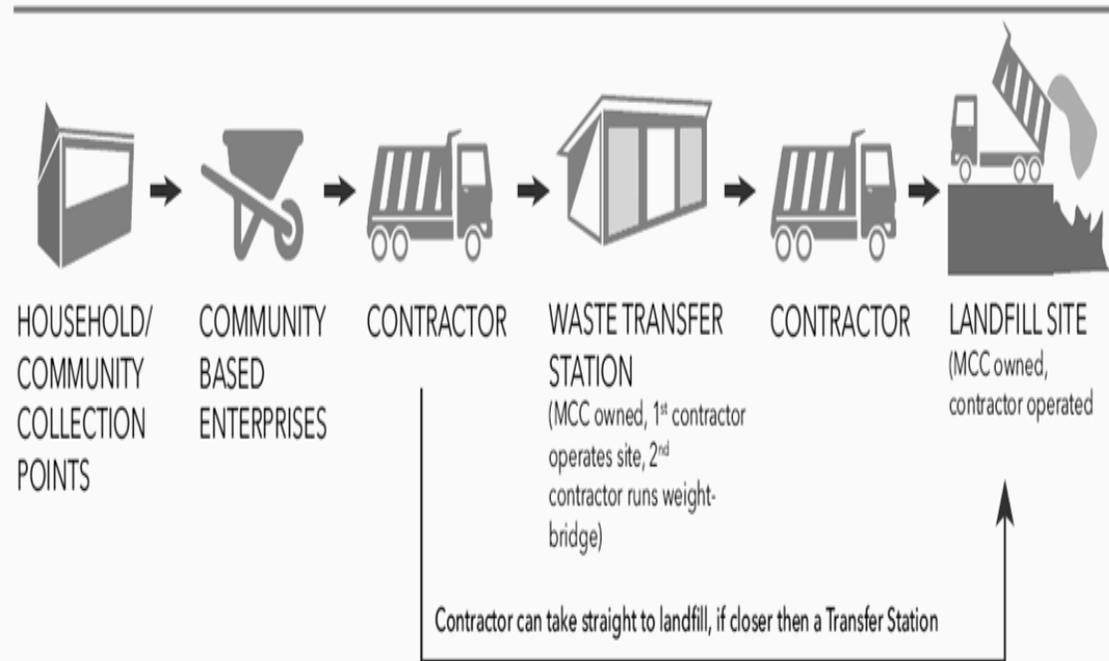


Solid Waste Collection In Greater Monrovia

SW Collection Chain

Solid Waste Transfer Stations

Figure 1: Collection from Authorized Locations through Transfer Stations to the Landfill Site



(Source: Government of the Republic of Liberia 2015, p. 96)



Key Solid Waste Challenges & Actions Taken

Challenges

- Limited disbursement to the Solid Waste Management sector (750K allotted in 2019/2020 Budget)
- Limited logistics to provide adequate solid waste related services to residents of Greater Monrovia
- Lack of Legislations to ensure effective SW Management and transformation of the sector
- Limited institutional capacity and unwillingness to pay for waste services
- SWM sector largely depend of donor's support at the moment

Some Actions Taken

- Purchased of 100 acres of land for the construction of a new regional sanitary landfill site in Cheesemanburg
- Provision of solid waste collection equipment for waste collection in the Cities of Monrovia & Paynesville
- Support to daily waste collection and disposal
- Conduct of technical studies for the building of a vibrant solid waste management sector for Greater Monrovia.
- Citizens' Engagement & Participation and the setting up of Grievance Redress Mechanism