



John Welch

Director

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John Welch is the Director of the Dane County Department of Waste & Renewables. He has a BS from UW Madison in Civil & Environmental Engineering and is a registered PE in Wisconsin. He and his staff oversee operations of one active and two closed landfills; a C&D MRF; a year-round HHW facility; a landfill gas-to-energy system; and a landfill gas RNG facility.

Recent and current projects have focused on sustainability, renewable biogas utilization and moving toward responsible resource management. Past projects include a community manure digester, a food digester feasibility study, a landfill expansion, construction and start-up of the C&D MRF, and numerous biogas utilization projects. In addition, he has helped lead the County's conversion to CNG and development of its RNG facility, which converts landfill gas to CNG vehicle fuel.

John is also involved in numerous professional organizations, and he sits on the Boards for AROW, WCSWMA, and SWANA. For SWANA, John is his chapter President, Chapter representative to the SWANA Advisory Board, and a past member of the YP Steering Team.