Transfer Station Improvements in 2025:

Residents/customers have been and will see construction workers active at the Bemidji and Blackduck Transfer Station.

The Bemidji Transfer Station Building A, remodel Project.

History: This building was built in 1978, and originally was used as Candy Factory, since then the building has been remodeled several times prior to the County purchasing the building in 2017. This building is the current location for the Solid Waste Division Staff Offices. The building also is used as the am employee breakroom, maintenance Bay, Reuse/Recycle Area.

This division does a 5 year proforma so we can make sure we have the necessary funds to keep operational, this includes replacement and maintenance of facilities and equipment.

Approved Budgeted Remodel/Maintenance Items:

2024 Budgeted Project: T-10 Construction was awarded the contact due to being the low bid at \$528,000. The projected budgeted cost was at \$700,000. This project was to be completed in 2024 but the Contractor couldn't get the required steel due to the specifications "thickness" it had to meet due to the age and engineering of the building. April 2025 Building A was re-roofed, due to leaks, and condition of the existing roof.

The new roof now has an R-Value of 34 compared to 24. Gutters, and ice/snow cleats were also added.



Old Roof

New Roof

2025 Budgeted Project items:

BCI was awarded the contract due to low bid of \$2,105,000 in April 2025. The projected budgeted cost was \$2,328,500. Construction is expected to begin Mid July and be complete by November 1, 2025.

Bemidji Transfer Station:

- Replace exterior steel siding, with foam panels to increase R-Value, and existing damaged exterior walls.
- Install a 35 ft x 100ft Car Port/Canopy over the Roll off containers in front of the Transfer Station building, enhance safety, reduce storm water impacts, move flammable liquids 20ft away from a building for our Flammable Liquid Drop Off area, (example (Used/Old Petroleum Products) which would also help in traffic flow, and assessable from both lanes.
- Currently the office building doesn't meet code because we have a wood structure inside a metal building, this would bring the building up to code.
- Replace a 1/3 of the Non pervious service, to include requesting Ottertail Power to move/burry the power lines that are directly in our traffic flow which have in the past been a safety hazard, (the power poles have been hit, items have come in contact with power lines do to moving vehicles.







Blackduck Transfer Station:

• Install a 40 ft x 40 ft Car Port/Canopy over the Concrete Slab to: enhance safety, reduce storm water impacts, and allow customers to have shelter during in climate weather.

