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GreenCart use has extended lifespan of Region landfill

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The Region has added nine years to the lifespan of its landfill in central Halton thanks to the fact almost 100 per cent of eligible local residents now take their GreenCarts out to the curb at least once a month.

"I think that's a pretty amazing feat in terms of having the community buy in to what's a fairly substantial change to how they deal with their waste," said Regional Councillor Tom Adams, chairman of Halton's planning and public works committee.

"It is estimated the landfill will reach capacity in 2032," states Halton's 2009 Year End Waste Management report, reviewed by council recently. That's two years longer than predicted last year and nine years longer than what was expected before the introduction of the GreenCart program in mid-2008.

"It gives us more breathing room in terms of having to deal with that very tricky issue of do you have another landfill or do you have to enter that debate again about incinerators or do you have to truck it somewhere else," said Adams.

"Halton residents placed their GreenCart out for collection each week 72 per cent of the

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Aladdin weaves its magic spell at M-SB

In McKenzie-Smith Bennett School's production of *Aladdin*, a horrified Aladdin (Zachary Kroezen, left) grimaces as a madly woman (Emily Humber) fawns over him after he just stole a loaf of bread while Jasmine (Julie Holms, right) looks on in horror. The final performance will be held tonight at 7 p.m., at the school. Tickets can be bought at the door for \$4 each or \$10 for a family of three or four.

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