

**CalRecycle Update**  
**Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Meeting**  
**12-8-2011**

**Program Update**

**New Director Appointed to CalRecycle**

Carroll Mortensen was appointed as CalRecycle's Director by Governor Brown in October. Ms. Mortensen has an extensive background in the development of environmental policy and legislation. She most recently served as consultant for the State Senate Committee on Environmental Quality where she analyzed legislation and provided policy guidance related to solid and hazardous waste, and air and water quality. She also worked as chief consultant for the State Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials from 2005-2007, working on issues related to hazardous waste, green chemistry, pesticides, brownfields, and other related policy areas. Prior to her work in the Capitol, she worked at the California Integrated Waste Management Board for 13 years in a variety of positions including legislative director.

**Local Assistance and Market Development Division Update**

Staff have completed nearly all of their Local Jurisdiction Annual Report Reviews, and most of your counties should have received a letter to that effect. As mentioned at our last meeting, next year after the 2011 annual reports are reviewed, a compliance review will begin for all reporting jurisdictions. Specific program implementation information in the 2011 Annual report notes will be particularly important. Site visits will be conducted to all jurisdictions to verify the level of diversion program implementation and assist with our analysis. Staff also continue their analyses of the State Agency Diversion and Buy Recycled Annual Reports.

**Waste Reduction Awards Program (WRAP)**

Announcement of the WRAP winners is scheduled to be announced December 13<sup>th</sup> at the CalRecycle Monthly meeting. As was mentioned at the last meeting, preliminary numbers indicate businesses reported more than 2.3 million tons of diverted materials and more than \$200 million in cost savings.

**Christmas Tree and Holiday Recycling**

CalRecycle is in the process of updating its Christmas Tree and Holiday Recycling Web page (link below). Please let us know if you would like to include new or update existing information on this web site. Please e-mail your jurisdiction's information, or if you have any questions, please contact Elena Yates at [elena.yates@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:elena.yates@calrecycle.ca.gov). All links will be updated no later than December 25, 2010. Christmas Tree and Holiday Recycling: [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/Events/XmasRecycle](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/Events/XmasRecycle)

**California Bioresources Alliance Symposium Presentations**

Presentations from the California Bioresources Alliance 6th Annual Symposium are now available. The event brought together organic residuals industry professionals, municipalities, regulators, researchers, financiers, and other stakeholders to discuss management options for municipal solid waste, biosolids, food waste, and other organic residuals. The Symposium was held in Sacramento on September 13 & 14. This year's focus was on anaerobic digestion projects, biomethane pricing and distribution issues, balancing mobile and stationary source emissions and new technology developments. For additional details go to: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/organics/symposium/index.html>

## Regulatory Update

### AB 341 –

#### 75% Requirement and Per Capita Measurement

The 75% goal is measured as a per capita diversion goal, and will be measured on a statewide basis. Current jurisdiction per capita goals are unchanged and still are equivalent to a 50% diversion goal, unless the jurisdiction has an approved reduced goal. The AB939 50% “diversion” goal has not changed for each Jurisdiction, and will continue to be measured using per capita rates.

#### NDFE change

AB 341 changed the NDFE amendment process to an update process.

Two NDFE Guideline pages have been published to reflect the passage of AB 341. Previous guidelines for amending an NDFE page will be removed after Jan. 1 when the new law is in effect.

- <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Library/Policy/NDFEGuide.htm>
- <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Library/Policy/NDFEGuideNew.htm>

### AB 341 Commercial Recycling Regulations

In support of the Mandatory Commercial Recycling regulation, CalRecycle has published “Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ’s)” (<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/Recycling/FAQ.htm>). This comprehensive list of FAQs is based on the many questions received from stakeholders over the past few months. While we know the FAQ’s may need to be tweaked after the regulations are finalized and that the resource will continue to evolve as new questions arise, the FAQ’s will be a great help to jurisdictions and businesses implementing mandatory commercial recycling.

As a reminder, written comments relevant to the proposed regulation to are due to CalRecycle by 5:00 p.m. on December 12, 2011. Please submit written comments to:

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Sacramento, CA 95812-4025

FAX: (916) 341-7701, E-mail: [climatechange@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:climatechange@calrecycle.ca.gov)

A Public Hearing to receive comments on the initial 45-day public comment period for the Mandatory Commercial Recycling Regulation is scheduled for December 13, 2011. Information regarding the public hearing can be found at: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Calendar/EventDetail.aspx?ID=2829&DS=ACES>. The hearing will begin at 1:30 p.m., in the Coastal Hearing Room at the Joe Serna, Jr. Cal/EPA Building, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California.

The following website contains information about the regulation and will be updated to provide all information related to the rulemaking as CalRecycle progresses with its efforts:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Rulemaking/>

#### **Paint EPR Regulations**

A second 15-day public comment period for the Proposed Architectural Paint Recovery Program Regulation will run from December 7 through noon December 22, 2011.

Comments can be sent via mail or [paint@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:paint@calrecycle.ca.gov).

Visit CalRecycle's Paint Stewardship website to review the proposed regulation for information on this industry program and related CalRecycle's activities.

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Rulemaking/Paint/default.htm>

### **Carpet EPR Regulations**

The Carpet Extended Producer Responsibility Regulation was adopted by CalRecycle at its November meeting and is now at the Office of Administrative Law. CalRecycle staff is reviewing the Carpet Stewardship Plan submitted by CARE and will provide an update at the Dec. 13 public meeting. Comments on the plan are welcome. Comments can be sent via mail or [carpet@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:carpet@calrecycle.ca.gov). Visit CalRecycle's Carpet Stewardship website to view the CARE plan and for other information on this industry program and related CalRecycle's activities.  
<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/EPR/PolicyLaw/Carpet.htm>

### **Informal Composting Regulatory Workshops on December 13, 2011 and December 21, 2011**

A workshop was held on 10/18 to discuss 12 potential changes to Title 14 and Title 27. Regulatory areas include Compostable Materials, Transfer Processing, Permit Application Form, and Permit Exemptions. CalRecycle will hold two more informal workshops on December 13, 2011 and December 21, 2011 with intent to pursue rulemaking in 2012.

The [December 13, 2011 workshop](#) will be held during the CalRecycle Monthly Public Meeting and will address:

Issue 5 (Regulatory coordination of POTWs accepting food waste & FOG);  
Issue 8 (Regulatory coordination of meat, fish, and poultry waste), Issue 10 (Clarify "processing" in agricultural material definition);  
Issue 12 (Clarify "permitted maximum tonnage"); and  
Issue 14 (EA Notification Inspection frequency language).

The [December 21, 2011 workshop](#) will be held at the CalEPA building in Conference Room 550 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and will address:

Issue 1 (food waste definition); Issue 2 (Land application: disposal or beneficial use);  
Issue 3 (On-site storage and 12,500 cubic yard limit);  
Issue 4 (Odor complaints: beyond zero tolerance);  
Issue 6 (Green waste contamination);  
Issue 7 (Anaerobic Digestion facility permitting);  
Issue 9 (Maximum metal concentrations consistency with federal regulations);  
Issue 11 (Small-scale composting exclusions), and Issue 13 (Vermiculture).

For further information, contact Ken Decio at (916) 341-6313 or [Ken.Decio@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Ken.Decio@CalRecycle.ca.gov)

### **CalRecycle / DTSC E-waste Workshop Held November 16th**

CalRecycle and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) held another electronic waste stakeholder workshop on Wednesday, November 16, 2011. The workshop, which was also webcast, continued discussions focusing on proposed changes to cathode ray tube (CRT) glass management regulations and associated impacts to the covered electronic waste (CEW) recycling payment system. DTSC staff reviewed proposed rule changes that could alter CRT treatment authorization conditions and allow for a wider range of management options. CalRecycle staff discussed what rule changes would be necessary in the CEW recycling program to accommodate an expanded range of CRT glass dispositions. Both departments also responded to comments and questions received from stakeholders since the September 26th workshop on the same topic.

DTSC anticipates filing emergency regulations with OAL in early January 2012. CalRecycle's e-waste program will then hold additional informal stakeholder meetings to consider changes to the CEW system rules, with a target of filing emergency rule changes with OAL in late February or early March. An archive of resource materials presented at the workshop, including a video of the September 26th meeting, can be found at:

[http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/CRT\\_Glass\\_Disposal.cfm](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegsPolicies/Regs/CRT_Glass_Disposal.cfm)

## Grant Update

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Grants/>

### December

- Grants to Public Entities to Abate Illegal Disposal Sites – Applications due December 15th
- Local Government Matching Grants – Application due December 15<sup>th</sup>
- Local Government Waste Tire Enforcement Grants - Applications were due November 30th  
Resolutions from applicants are due December 29<sup>th</sup>, announcement of Grantees is expected in February

### January

- Beverage Container Recycling Competitive Grants – concepts were due October 10, Final project proposal due for accepted concepts due January 16, 2012
- City/County Beverage Container Recycling Payment Program - application cycle started November 1, and applications are due January 31st 2012
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- Recycled Asphalt Pavement recommended grantees will be considered
- Tire Derived Product recommended grantees will be considered
- Tire Derived Aggregate recommended grantees will be considered in January or February

### February

- Local Government Tire Cleanup grant applications are due in February

Farm and Ranch Cleanup Grant - Applications were due November 1<sup>st</sup>, and grantees should be announced in January. The next cycle's applications are due March 1st

Oil payments - payments will be made to cities and counties in April 2012 (unless they requested and qualified an early payment which they will receive in October).

## CoolCalifornia.org Funding Wizard

This new web based tool allows you to search for grants, rebates, tax credits, and other financial assistance to assist you with clean air vehicle purchases/retrofits, recycling and waste prevention, water recycling, and many other environmental projects.

<http://coolcalifornia.org/funding-wizard-home>

## Events Update

### Large Venue Diversion Webinar

#### SB 546 Used Oil LCA - Lubricants 101

Where	When
CalEPA building - Sierra Hearing Room 1001 I St Sacramento, CA	12/13/2011 10:00AM to 5:00PM Open to the Public
Description	
Informational meeting to explain details of lubricating oils in California from Manufacture through use, collection and recycling.	
More Information	
Sponsor: Shirley Willd-Wagner Contact: <a href="#">Robert Carlson</a> Phone: (916) 323-3411 Event Type: Workshop	

#### Public Hearing on Proposed Regulation for Mandatory Commercial Recycling Rulemaking

Where	When
Joe Serna Jr. EPA Building, Coastal Hearing Room 1001 "I" Street, 2nd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	12/13/2011 1:30PM to 3:30PM Open to the Public
Description	
A public hearing to receive comments at the end of the 45-day comment period for the Proposed Regulation for Mandatory Commercial Recycling Rulemaking has been scheduled for December 13, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.	
More Information	
Sponsor: CalRecycle Contact: <a href="#">Teri Wion</a> Phone: (916) 341-6374 Cost: N/A Event Type: Meeting	

#### SB 546 Used Oil LCA - Stakeholder Meeting

Where	When
CSUS - Modoc Hall 3000 State University Drive East Sacramento, CA	12/14/2011 9:00AM to 4:30PM Open to the Public 12/15/2011 9:00AM to 4:30PM Open to the Public
Description	
Public meeting to discuss update and progress of used oil LCA pursuant to SB 546	
More Information	
Sponsor: Shirley Willd-Wagner Contact: <a href="#">Robert Carlson</a> Phone: (916) 323-3411 Event Type: Workshop	

#### CalRecycle Illegal Dumping Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Where	When
Regional Council of Rural Counties 1215 K St, Rm 1650 Sa, CA	12/14/2011 10:00AM to 2:30PM Open to the Public

**Description**  
December meeting for the CalRecycle Illegal Dumping Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

**More Information**

Sponsor: CalRecycle  
Contact: [Ken Stuart](#)  
Phone: (916) 341-6357  
Cost: \$\$0  
Event Type: Meeting

**Enforcement Advisory Council Meeting**

Where	When
Cal/EPA Building, Training Rooms 1 East and West 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95812	12/15/2011 9:30AM to 3:00PM Open to the Public

**Description**

The Enforcement Advisory Council (EAC) consists of 12 members and serves CalRecycle as an advisory committee representing the various regions of the state and the disciplines engaged in solid waste enforcement. The purpose of the EAC is to achieve a coordinated, consistent statewide enforcement program by means of ongoing communication among all local enforcement agencies (LEA) and CalRecycle, and to assure that LEA interests and viewpoints regarding programs and training needs are considered at the state level.

**More Information**

Sponsor: CalRecycle  
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Cost: \$ 0  
Event Type: Meeting