**CalRecycle**

**ESJPA Update**

**December 2016**

1. **GENERAL PROGRAM UPDATES (NEW)**

**GHG Funding**

CalRecycle held a public meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 10:00 am to discuss the Revised Program Criteria for Organics Grant Program, Fiscal Year 2016–17 and the Recycled Fiber, Plastic, and Glass Grant Program, Fiscal Year 2016–17.

The Request for Approval and Scoring Criteria documents for the Organics Grant Program are now available at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1932&aiid=1767> and for the Recycled Fiber, Plastic and Glass Grant Program at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1930&aiid=1766>.

**AB 901**

Draft Regulations are posted on the AB 901 website: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Rulemaking/Reporting/default.htm>

AB 901 requires recyclers, composters, brokers, transporters and exporters of recycling material or organics to report the tons of materials they sell or transfer, as well as changing the reporting requirements for disposal facilities, transfer stations and MRFs.

**2) GRANT, PAYMENT, AND LOANS**

Grants Updates at - [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Funding](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Funding)

Please note that “Open Applications” for grant and payment programs are now announced at the top of the Grant, Payment, and Loan Programs home webpage. Please see this page for a quick reference as to which grants are currently open.

Also try the Cool California Funding Wizard at [www.coolcalifornia.org/funding-wizard-home](http://www.coolcalifornia.org/funding-wizard-home) or directly at <https://fundwiz.ice.ucdavis.edu/>.

1. **GRANT/LOANS AWARDS (October Meeting)**

1. Awards for the Tire Incentive Program (Tire Recycling Management Fund, FY 2015-16)

Department Staff Contact: Melissa.Sanford@Calrecycle.ca.gov

Public Notice: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1890&aiid=1726>

2. Awards and Distribution of Payments for the Used Oil Payment Program (Used Oil Recycling Fund, Fiscal Year 2016–17)

Department Staff Contact: Baljot.Biring@Calrecycle.ca.gov

Public Notice: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1904&aiid=1737>

1. **OPEN GRANT/PAYMENT/LOAN CYCLES**

Notice of Funds Available: Local Government Waste Tire Enforcement (TEA) Grant (FY 2016–17)

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) receives an annual appropriation from the California Tire Recycling Management Fund to administer the Tire Recycling Act (Senate Bill 937, [Vuich, Statutes of 1990, Chapter 35]) and related legislation. This specific grant provides funding to city, county, and city and county agencies in California for waste tire enforcement activities.

Eligibility

Applicants: City, County, City and County

Applicants must have within their jurisdictions 50 (for a county) or 100 (for a city) or more active waste tire businesses that have Tire Program Identification (TPID) numbers.

Collaborative Applications

Applicants may submit a collaborative application with authorization from other cities and/or counties participating in the collaborative program. A Participating Collaborative Jurisdiction (PCJ) voluntarily allows a Lead Collaborative Jurisdiction (LCJ) to perform waste tire enforcement activities in its jurisdiction, despite the fact that the PCJ does not fall within the LCJ's jurisdictional boundaries. If a jurisdiction submits an application as part of a collaborative program, it cannot apply individually or as part of another collaborative program.

Cities under the Jurisdiction of an Existing County Grantee

City agencies that are under the jurisdiction of an existing grantee are eligible if the applying city:

1. Meets the eligibility requirements of this Program.
2. Notifies the existing county grantee and CalRecycle of its intent to apply.
3. Meets with the existing county grantee and CalRecycle.
4. Demonstrates that complementary services are needed in its jurisdiction.

Based on the information provided by the applying city, CalRecycle will determine whether the city applicant will qualify as an eligible grant recipient.

Activities and Costs

Eligible activities generally include, but are not limited to:

* Inspections of waste tire businesses.
* Field patrolling, enforcement and case development for waste tire-related activities, including investigating illegal tire disposal activities.
* Providing education to waste tire businesses.
* Eligible costs include personnel, materials, equipment, travel, per diem, and transportation costs to perform eligible activities and enforce waste tire permitting, storage and movement laws and regulations.

Funding

CalRecycle receives an annual appropriation from the California Tire Recycling Management Fund to administer the Tire Recycling Act and related legislation. A total of $7,000,000 is available for this grant cycle, FY 2015-16, subject to funding availability. The maximum amount a grantee may receive is based upon population figures provided by the California Department of Finance.

* Applicants with populations equal to or less than 900,000 are eligible to receive up to $300,000.
* Applicants with populations of 900,001 to 2,000,000 are eligible to receive up to $450,000.
* Applicants with populations of 2,000,001 or more are eligible to receive up to $600,000.

**Due Date: December 8, 2016**

**2016–17 Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grants**

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery administers the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program, which provides up to $1 million annually in grants for the cleanup of [illegal solid waste sites](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/IllegalDump/default.htm) on farm or ranch property. A site may be eligible for funding if the parcel(s) is(are) zoned for agricultural use, where [unauthorized solid waste disposal](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/IllegalDump/default.htm) has occurred, and where the site(s) is(are) in need of cleanup in order to abate a nuisance or public health and safety threat and/or a threat to the environment. Sites are not eligible for funding if the site is located on property where the owner or local agency is responsible for the illegal disposal of solid waste.

## **Model Projects**

Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program [Model Projects](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Funding/ModelProject/default.htm), and additional [Successful Projects](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/GrantsLoans/FarmRanch/Projects.htm) are available online.

CalRecycle Website: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/GrantsLoans/FarmRanch/>

**Due Date: February 2, 2017**

**2016–17 Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program**

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) administers a program to provide opportunities to divert waste tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content tire products. The Tire-Derived Aggregate (TDA) Grant Program (Program) provides assistance to civil engineers in solving a variety of engineering challenges. TDA, which is produced from shredded tires, is lightweight, free-draining, and a less expensive alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates.

## **Criteria**

[Approval of Criteria, July 14, 2016](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1600&aiid=1454)

## **Funding**

* $800,000 available for fiscal year (FY) 2016-17.
* $350,000 is the maximum available for individual grant awards, except for VLPs (see “Eligible Projects” for definition). VLPs are each eligible for grant awards up to $750,000, subject to funding availability, with a limit of one per applicant.

CalRecycle Website: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/TDA/default.htm>

**Due Date:** **February 16, 2017**

Greenhouse Reduction Loan Program

The Notice of Funds Available for GHG Loans was recently posted. <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/GrantsLoans/GHGLoans/FY201516/default.htm>

Applications are being accepted on a continuous basis, subject to fund availability (16-17 not available).

The purpose of this non-competitive loan program is to lower overall greenhouse gas emissions by providing loans to expand existing capacity or establish new facilities to process California-generated waste materials into new value-added products.

**Eligible Projects**

* Construction, renovation, or expansion of facilities to increase in-state infrastructure for:

1. The digestion or composting of organics into compost, soil amendments, biofuels, or bioenergy; or

2. The manufacturing of value-added finished products using California derived recycled content fiber, plastic, or glass.

* Construction, renovation, or expansion of facilities to increase in-state infrastructure for:

1. The preprocessing of organics when providing preprocessed materials to an in-state digestion or composting facility that is using the waste to make compost, soil amendments, biofuels, or bioenergy; or

2. The preprocessing of fiber, plastic or glass waste when providing preprocessed materials to an in-state manufacturing facility that is using the waste to make finished products.

* Expansion of projects that have previously received Greenhouse Gas Reduction grants or loans from CalRecycle are eligible provided the project meets the loan criteria and the previously funded project is progressing in a manner satisfactory to CalRecycle.
* Food waste prevention projects result in measurable reduction in food waste normally destined for a landfill. These project can prevent food waste through source reduction and/or edible food rescue. Food rescue must result in rescued food being distributed to people in a disadvantaged community with any food waste residuals from the project being sent to a compost, digestion, or fermentation facility when one is available within the food waste prevention project’s service area.
* New and expanded facilities will be required to use the best available control technology (BACT) to limit emissions and ensure compliance with air quality standards.

Available Funds: $6,953,000 as of September 14, 2016

Interest Rate: 4.0%

**Loan Application Due Date: Continuous**

**Recycling Market Development Zone Loan Program**

Provides direct loans to businesses that use postconsumer or secondary waste materials to manufacture new products, or that undertake projects to reduce the waste resulting from the manufacture of a product. Information about this loan program as well as the application documents and forms can be found at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/RMDZ/Loans/>

**Loan Application Due Date: Continuous**

1. **UPCOMING GRANT/PAYMENT/LOAN CYCLES**

**2016–17 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant and Loan Programs**

The Governor’s 2016–17 budget, in concurrence with AB 1613 includes $40 million in greenhouse gas reduction funds to CalRecycle to administer grant programs. CalRecycle proposed designating the funding as follows: $24 million for organics grants (which includes $12 million for compost projects with a $3 million set aside for rural projects, and $12 million for digestion projects); $9 million for fiber, plastic, and glass grants; $5 million for the new food waste prevention and rescue grants; and $2 million for administration.

Eligibility and scoring criteria for FY 16–17 Organics Grant Program and the Recycled Fiber, Plastic, and Glass Grant Program were discussed at the November public meeting. The Request for Approval and Scoring Criteria documents are available at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1932&aiid=1767> for the Organics Grant Program and at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1930&aiid=1766> for the Recycled Fiber, Plastic, and Glass Grant Program.

CalRecycle anticipates that the first Notice of Funding Availability for the Organics Grant Program will be issued in December 2016 or January 2017.

CalRecycle held two workshops in October 2015 that focused on soliciting input from disadvantaged communities. Sacramento workshop details can be found at <http://calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1907&aiid=1739>. Fresno workshop details can be found at <http://calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1908&aiid=1740>.

Food waste prevention and rescue grants were discussed at a workshop in early April in conjunction with the *BioCycle* conference. Scott Smithline’s “California “All In” on Organics Recycling article can be found here: <https://www.biocycle.net/2016/03/17/california-all-in-on-organics-recycling/>. A second workshop on food waste prevention grants was held on May 24th in Sacramento. Information for the workshop can be found here: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1794&aiid=1629>

Eligibility, Scoring Criteria, and Evaluation Process for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Revolving Loan Program (Greenhouse Gas Reduction Revolving Loan Fund, FY 2015–16) was heard at the October 2015 Public Meeting <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1613&aiid=1465>. Applications are being accepted on a continuous basis.

CalRecycle Website: [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/GrantsLoans/default.htm](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/GrantsLoans/default.htm)

1. **ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/AWARDS**

**Closed Loop Fund Website Launch, Loan Applications Now Available**

The Closed Loop Fund website has officially launched, and began accepting applications from municipalities for zero interest loans and private companies for below market interest loans. The Closed Loop Fund was created by Consumer Goods Companies and Retailers to create economic value by increasing recycling rates. The purpose of this $100 million loan pool is to help create recycling infrastructure projects, as well as spur private and public funding for the improvement of recycling. This funding may provide assistance to jurisdictions to either create new recycling systems, or improve those already in existence. The loan terms will vary from 1 to 10 years, and the loan size will vary from $250,000 to $5,000,000, although there will be exceptions to this when deemed appropriate. For further details of the Investment Criteria, please see:

[www.closedloopfund.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/CLF\_Investment\_Criteria\_Document.pdf](http://www.closedloopfund.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/CLF_Investment_Criteria_Document.pdf)

Examples of what these loans can be used for, as well as more information about who is qualified and how to apply for funding, can be found on their website: <http://www.closedloopfund.com> [Note that there are two different request for proposals (RFPs) for either Municipalities or Private Companies.]

Use Reusables is offering up to $5,000 for per approved business or institution for the purchase of reusable transport packaging. Applications will be evaluated on a first come first serve basis until grant funds are expended.  $25,000 is available for the 2015/16 Fiscal Year.

Website: <http://usereusables.org/grants>

**Apply for a CoolCalifornia Small Business Award now through November 7th, 2016.  Get recognized for the actions you've taken to reduce your environmental impacts and become more sustainable!**

**​**[**http://www.coolcalifornia.org/small-business-awards**](http://www.coolcalifornia.org/small-business-awards)

**3) EVENTS**

Please also see the CalRecycle Events Calendar to keep on top of upcoming events: ([www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Calendar](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Calendar))

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| **AB 901 Workshops: Reporting Requirements for Recycling, Composting, and Disposal**  Draft regulations will be posted on this notice and on the website in early November for review before workshop.  AB 901 requires recyclers, composters, brokers, transporters and exporters of recycling material or organics to report the tons of materials they sell or transfer, as well as changing the reporting requirements for disposal facilities, transfer stations and MRFs.  Workshops will be webcast live  **Sacramento  (north):       Monday, December 12  1-5 pm. Ziggurat building Auditorium, 707 3rd St, West Sacramento 95605**  **Diamond Bar (south):      Tuesday, December 13 1-5 pm.  AQMD Theater, 21865 Copley Dr, Diamond Bar 91765**  **Send questions or comments to** [AB901.reporting@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:AB901.reporting@calrecycle.ca.gov)  **AB 2530 – Plastic Beverage Container Production Content Workshop**  Start Date: December 12, 2016 1:00PM  End Date: December 12, 2016 4:00PM  Location: CalRecycle Facility, 1590 Raley Court, Suite 40, West Sacramento, CA 95691-3488  Contact(s): [Mike.Miller@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Mike.Miller@CalRecycle.ca.gov) |

Description:

Effective March 1, 2018, California law will require plastic beverage container manufacturers subject to the California Redemption Value to report to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) the amount of virgin plastic and postconsumer recycled plastic used by the manufacturer for plastic beverage containers subject to the California Redemption Value for sale in the state of California in the previous calendar year [Public Resources Code Section 14549.3].

To collect input effectively and to allow exchange among interested parties, the Department will hold an informal preliminary workshop to discuss plastic beverage container production content issues. Your feedback at this workshop is important to help CalRecycle develop workable compliance approaches.

Workshop Details:

Agenda and relevant materials will be posted online prior to the workshop date.

To participate via a Web Conference, please register for the webinar at:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/126510186713191428

You will be able to view the presentation materials and listen to the workshop through your computer.

To provide comment or ask questions:

Send comments/questions to:  [Mike.Miller@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Mike.Miller@CalRecycle.ca.gov)

Comments and questions may be emailed before, during, and after this workshop.

**Title:** Informal Workshop on a Rulemaking Under the Electronic Waste Recycling Act: Assessing Civil Liabilities and Managing Treatment Residuals

**Date:** December 20, 2016 1:30PM – 4:00PM

**Location:**

**Contact(s):** Jeff.Hunts@CalRecycle.ca.gov

**Description:**

This is a notice of an informal workshop to be held prior to the initiation of formal rulemaking under the Electronic Waste Recycling Act. The impending rulemaking will primarily serve to finalize existing emergency regulations that address: 1) the assessing of civil liabilities pursuant to the authority granted under Public Resources Code (PRC) 42474, et al, and 2) the management of treatment residuals derived from the dismantling of covered electronic waste (CEW) pursuant to the CEW recovery and recycling payment system. The rulemaking will make other minor amendments and clarifications in support of these main themes.

There is no cost to attend this workshop, however the courtesy of an RSVP is requested for planning purposes. Please see workshop details below and click on the RSVP link.

Interested parties should continue to monitor this notice site for developing details.

**Workshop Details:**

Please RSVP to attend in person. Meeting will be Broadcast: http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Broadcast/

**UPDATE: The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has rescheduled the workshop on glass container processing and other similar materials from December 20, 2016 afternoon to the morning of December 21, 2016.**   
   
**New Workshop information:   
   
Date:  December 21, 2016 Time:   9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Location: Cal/EPA Building Byron Sher Auditorium, 2nd Floor  1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814**  
REMINDER: CalRecycle staff continues to seek input prior to the workshop on the following items:    
   
1) What is the appropriate regulatory tier placement for glass container processing operations, which are currently under the Enforcement Agency notification regulatory tier (e.g., enforcement agency notification, registration, full)?   
   
2) Are the current transfer/processing state minimum standards appropriate for these types of handling activities? What design and/or operating requirements should be changed to address any unique aspects of these types of activities? See Title 14 sections 17406.1-17419.2   
   
3) Are there other similar material handling activities that should also be included in  the transfer/processing regulatory framework, for example sites that handle separated plastic, paper, metals, etc.?   
   
Please submit your responses to these questions to  transfer.processing.regs@calrecycle.ca.gov prior to  December 21, 2016.   
   
If you would like to receive email notifications regarding this or future glass container processing rulemaking developments, please subscribe to the Glass Container Processing and Other Similar Materials Rulemaking Listserv. To follow the rulemaking process, please visit the Glass Container Processing and Other Similar Materials webpage.

Workshop Details:

o      [Agenda](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/Documents%5c58%5c20162016%5c1784%5cGlass%20Agenda%20-%2011%2014%202016%20.pdf) –  See above

o      To attend the meeting in person, see “Event Information”.

o      To participate via webcast, go to: [broadcast](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Broadcast/).

o      Send comments/questionsduring the meeting to: [transfer.processing.regs@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:transfer.processing.regs@calrecycle.ca.gov)

**California Oil Recycle Enhancement Act: Workshop to Discuss Status of the Program and Possible Next Steps**

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| Start Date: | January 24, 2017 1:30PM |
| End Date: | January 24, 2017 3:00PM |
| Location: | Cal/EPA Building, Sierra Hearing Room, 2nd floor, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 |
| Contact(s): | UsedOilHHW@CalRecycle.ca.gov |

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| Description: | Workshop to provide stakeholders with the status of the California Oil Recycling Enhancement (CORE) Act, condition of the used oil recycling fund, and possible strategies for program improvements and updates.  See September 2016 Public Meeting [Item](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/Documents%5c69%5c20162016%5c1724%5cSigned%2016-17%20used%20oil%20spending%20plan%20with%20walmart.pdf) for background.   Workshop Details:    o    Agenda and documents – will be posted closer to the workshop date.     o    To attend the meeting in person, see ‘Event Information’.     o    To participate via webcast, go to:  [broadcast](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Broadcast/).     o Please send Comments and questions by email:                o   Before the workshop please send to: Caroll.Mortenson@CalRecycle.ca.gov.                o  During and after this workshop please send to UsedOilHHW@CalRecycle.ca.gov. |
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| Type: | Workshop: Materials Management & Local Assistance Division |
| Title: | California Oil Recycle Enhancement Act: Workshop to Discuss Status of the Program and Possible Next Steps |
| Public Notice Date: | January 24, 2017 |
| Contact Name: | [Mortensen, Caroll](mailto:Caroll.Mortensen@calrecycle.ca.gov) |

**Next Monthly Public Meeting**

December 20, 2016

[www.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicMeeting/](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicMeeting/)

**Program Notes/Placeholders (Updates will be highlighted at beginning of Update. Otherwise historic program updates provided for reference)**

**2015 Annual Report**

August 1, 2016 was the due date for submitting the 2015 Electronic Annual Report (EAR). Jurisdictions will receive a letter with the results of the review within 120 days of the due date (by November 29, 2016).Please contact your LAMD representative if you need additional information, or if there is information still needed to complete the report, such as disposal modification documentation or Mandatory Commercial Recycling (MCR) education, outreach, and monitoring activities for 2015:

* 1. Identify number of businesses subject to AB 341: \_\_\_\_\_
     + Of those businesses, how many are NOT recycling: \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Identify number of multifamily dwellings subject to AB 341: \_\_\_\_\_
     + Of those multifamily dwellings, how many are NOT recycling: \_\_\_\_\_
  3. For those not recycling what follow-up was done to inform them of the law and how to recycle.

**AB 1826/Mandatory Organics Recycling**

Note: This does not apply for a jurisdiction that has a rural exemption from AB 1826

Information has been relayed previously related to guidance, tools, and resources posted on the AB 1826 Mandatory Commercial Organics recycling <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/>. As LAMD staff begin their conference calls and site visits in 2017, they will be asking for status of implementation of the jurisdiction’s commercial organics recycling program, identification of regulated generators, education, outreach and monitoring for 2016 activities.

Additional tools continue to be developed for the Local Government toolkit <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Recycle/Commercial/Organics/PRToolkit/Default.htm>, including signage and a brochure for small generators, such as schools, to explain visually what the new law allows for.

Starting with the 2016 Annual Report (due August 2017), each jurisdiction needs to identify existing organic waste recycling facilities within a reasonable vicinity and the capacities available for materials to be accepted at each facility. To assist in this process, CalRecycle has developed a GIS-based capacity tool that can be used in conjunction with the existing [FacIT](file:///\\iwmdocs\FacIT\) database and the [Where to Recycle](file:///\\iwmdocs\iwm\ASSISTANCE%20&%20TRAINING\Local%20Jurisdiction\Reference-Resources\Local%20Task%20Force%20(Monthly%20E-Update,%20Requirements)\Local%20Task%20Force%20Monthly%20E-Update\Maps\Default.htm) mapping resource. Please refer to the mapping guide tool <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/MapGuide.pdf> to identify organic waste recycling facilities within a reasonable vicinity and get an idea of related capacity ranges. Future updates to this tool will allow users to map concentric circles around the jurisdiction to determine organic waste recycling facilities within a given radius and, through the overlay of permit information, have the ability to determine capacity information.

For more information about Mandatory Organics Recycling (MORe), please subscribe to the listserv at: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs/Subscribe.aspx?ListID=138>

For a list of jurisdictions with rural exemptions to MORe, a list is provided on our website here:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/recycle/commercial/organics/Exempt.htm>

**AB 876 (Organics Infrastructure Planning) guidance published on webpage**

Guidance for counties and regional agencies regarding AB 876 (Organics Infrastructure Planning) has been published on the website <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/AnnualReport/OrganicInfra.htm>.  This guidance has been developed well in advance of the first annual reporting information that is due (August 1, 2017) to provide an overview of the types of data that will be required, and the tools that have been developed.  AB 876 applies to all Regional Agencies and Counties, even those that have filed an exemption for AB 1826/MORe mandatory organic recycling requirements. The related calculator has been posted with 2014 and 2015 disposal data for preliminary use- <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Reports/OrganicInfraCalculator.aspx>

*Note that the first year of reporting should be based on 2016 disposal data which will be uploaded after 2016 DRS tons are finalized in June 2017.*

Should you have any questions, please contact your LAMD liaison.

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Reports/Contacts.aspx>

**2014 Waste Characterization Study**

The 2014 Waste Characterization Study, (<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Publications/Detail.aspx?PublicationID=1546>), now online, presents comprehensive information on materials disposed in California’s landfills. Data includes waste quantity and composition estimates for the commercial, residential, and self-hauled waste streams. This is the first of two reports characterizing California’s waste stream. The second report, to be published later this month, includes detailed information on both disposal and diversion from the commercial sector and specific industry groups. Contact [75percent@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:75percent@calrecycle.ca.gov) **for more detailed information.**

**State of Disposal in California Updated 2016 Posted**

This report discusses the disposal of solid waste in California, including the amounts and types of materials that are disposed, the infrastructure that supports the handling of solid waste, the types of facilities in the infrastructure, the flow of materials into, out of, and within California, and how disposal is tracked.

**Publication Location:** <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Publications/Detail.aspx?PublicationID=1556>

**75 Percent Goal**

California’s goal to recycle 75 percent of its solid waste is the focus of a new report that provides a catalog of tools and potential pathways that can be taken by the department, Administration or Legislature to help get us there. Preparation of the report was directed by the Legislature with the passage of AB 341 (Chesbro, Chapter 476, Statutes of 2011).

Direct report link: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Publications/Detail.aspx?PublicationID=1538>

In addition, two workshops were scheduled in December to address focus on the state investment and partnerships needed to achieve California’s 75 percent recycling goal while sustaining CalRecycle’s ability to manage the handling of solid waste in California. Staff will present and seek feedback on potential funding mechanisms that support achieving the 75 percent recycling goal and provide sustainable funding as disposal fee revenue decreases. The Workshop presentation is available online at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1647&aiid=1493>.

**Comments or Questions?** You can reach the CalRecycle 75% team by email at [75Percent@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:75Percent@calrecycle.ca.gov).

**Compost Regulations**

The Director approved the Negative Declaration and the final draft of the proposed Compostable Materials, Transfer/Processing regulations at the August 18, 2015 public meeting: [http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/Documents%5c85%5c20152015%5c1422%5cAugust Agenda.pdf](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/Documents%5c85%5c20152015%5c1422%5cAugust%20Agenda.pdf)

Staff submitted the final rulemaking file to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on September 29, 2015. OAL approved on Nov. 10, 2015.

**With this approval, regulations became operative on Jan. 1, 2016, with a delayed effective date of Jan. 1, 2018 for the requirements related to percent physical contamination.**

For more information, please visit our Compostable Materials, Transfer/Processing Website: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Rulemaking/Compost/default.htm>

To subscribe to or unsubscribe from the Compostable Materials, Transfer/Processing Rulemaking listserv, please go to: Compostable Materials, Transfer/Processing Rulemaking Listserv: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs/Subscribe.aspx?ListID=122>

**State Water Board and CalRecycle Stakeholder Meetings, Land Application of Compostable Materials** **and Develop of Performance Measures related to the implementation of the General Waste Discharge Requirements for Composting Operations (Compost General Order)**

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) will jointly host an education and outreach meetings regarding land application of compostable materials.  The meetings were held June 14 and June 23.  All attendees are required to sign in and register through CalRecycle at [2016 Land Application Meeting](http://www.cvent.com/d/bfq56y).  A quorum of State Water Board members may be present at the meetings, however, no action will be taken by the Board.  The agendas and other information will be posted at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/compost/>.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an overview of regulatory requirements and education and outreach regarding land application of compostable materials in California.  This meeting is open to all and is intended for the regulated community and broader stakeholder groups.

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will also host informal stakeholder meetings to develop performance measures related to the implementation of the General Waste Discharge Requirements for Composting Operations (Compost General Order).  The purpose of the meetings is to conduct a brainstorming event with stakeholders.  The discussions will focus on obtaining stakeholder input on performance measures.  The meetings were held June 14, June 23, and August 15.  The agendas and other information are posted at: <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/compost/>.  The SWRCB is reviewing the comments received at these meetings.

Resolution No. 2015-0054 directs State Water Board staff to work with representatives of the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards), CalRecycle, the Air Resources Board, the California Department of Food and Agriculture, the compost industry, and other interested stakeholders to develop performance measures related to the implementation of the Compost General Order, including both environmental outcomes and process-related measures.

**Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Program**

CalRecycle anticipates hearing a Request for Approval (RFA) at its December public monthly meeting relating to designated approved collectors within the covered electronic waste (CEW) program. This RFA seeks approval to file emergency rules with the Office of Administrative Law that will revise and reform certain aspects of the designation provision in the CEW program. Specifically, the proposed rules will strengthen the ties between the local government designating authority and the designated approved collector, clarify that a designation if a local government program subject to Form 303 HHW reporting requirements, establish regular reporting requirements between designated collectors, local governments, and CalRecycle, and delineate mechanisms and conditions under which designations may be invalidated or terminated.

More information can be found at the CalRecycle Rulemaking website:

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

“Designated Approved Collectors” is a continuation of earlier workshops that is anticipated to result in near-future rulemaking. The intent of this effort is to ensure integrity in the designation provision by more closely connecting local government oversight (i.e. through the Form 303 annual reports) and the actions of their designated collectors. Details are at:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1831&aiid=1659>

**Mattress Stewardship**

The Mattress Recycling Council (MRC) submitted the Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Plan and Budget to CalRecycle on July I, 2015. As directed by the Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act [Chapter 388, Statutes of 2013, Public Resources Code sections 42985-42994, CalRecycle approved the Budget and granted conditional approval of the Plan on October 1, 2015. Final approval was pending submittal of a revised Plan that adequately addresses the issues outlined in the September 15, 2015, Request for Approval. The MRC submitted a revised Plan to CalRecycle on November 30, 2015. At the January 26, 2016 Public Meeting, staff recommended approval of the revised Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Plan.

The Mattress Recycling Council (MRC) submitted the 2017 Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Plan Budget (2017 Budget) to CalRecycle on June 21, 2016. As directed by the Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act [Chapter 388, Statutes of 2013 (Hancock, Senate Bill 254)], Public Resources Code (PRC) sections 42985-42994, CalRecycle must approve or disapprove the Budget on or by October 1, 2016. An item was presented at the September 20, 2016 Public Meeting recommending approval of the proposed budget.

CalRecycle’s Used Mattress Program Home Page ([www.calrecycle.ca.gov/mattresses/](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/mattresses/)) contains information regarding the Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act and CalRecycle’s responsibilities under the law.  To receive periodic messages regarding CalRecycle’s used mattress management activities, please sign up for the Mattress Product Stewardship Listserv at [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs).

Additional information on the Mattress Recycling Council’s efforts can be found on their website: [www.mattressrecyclingcouncil.org/california](http://www.mattressrecyclingcouncil.org/california).

The plan is posted on CalRecycle's website at: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Mattresses/Plans/default.htm>.

The Mattress Recycling Council has also posted the proposed plan on their website at: <http://www.mattressrecyclingcouncil.org/2015/07/mrc-submits-its-california-recycling-plan-for-review/>

**Carpet Stewardship Program**

In September 2015, the Director found the 2014 Annual Report submitted by Carpet America Recovery Effort (CARE) to be non-compliant because it did not demonstrate the Program is making continuous and meaningful improvements toward achievement of its goals. The Director concluded additional improvements must be made for the Program to meet statutory requirements. CARE was directed to submit a Plan Amendment(s) and revised budget by November 30, 2015, to address CalRecycle’s key findings.

CARE submitted Addendum #2 on October 9, 2015 to establish grant and loan options for the Program. CalRecycle approved an initial grant solicitation (“Cycle 1”), for up to $3 million dollars, as a 1-year pilot with certain conditions. These conditions include (among others):

* a requirement that at least 50% of funding is for testing performed in California, or infrastructure to be installed in California;
* use of funds cannot negatively impact existing collection or processing infrastructure;
* funds are used for capital expenses and/or product testing, and not for disposal costs; and
* grantees must process California postconsumer carpet during and for at least five years after the award.

CARE submitted Addendum #3 on November 30, 2015 to address remaining issues outlined by CalRecycle in its review of the 2014 Annual Report.

At the January 26, 2016 Public Meeting, the CalRecycle Director approved Addendum #3 as submitted. This did not change the non-compliance status of CARE’s 2014 Annual Report.

2015 Annual Report

Carpet America Recovery Effort (CARE) submitted the California Carpet Stewardship Program Annual Report (Annual Report), covering the 2015 calendar year, on June 30, 2016.

The Annual Report may be downloaded from CalRecycle’s website: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Carpet/Results/default.htm>

With respect to compliance, CalRecycle refers primarily to the documents that govern the California Carpet Stewardship Program, those are [Statutes of 2010 (AB 2398)](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/asm/ab_2351-2400/ab_2398_bill_20100930_chaptered.html), [Regulations (Title 14, Div 7, Chapter 11, Article 1.0. Product Stewardship for Carpets](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Regulations/Title14/Chap11/default.htm)) and the [approved Carpet Stewardship Plan](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/carpet/Plans/default.htm).

At the September 20, 2016 Public Meeting, an item was presented related to the 2015 Annual Report. Based on the Statewide Technical and Analytical Resources (STAR) staff findings that several key components of the *2015 Annual Report,* as well as previous *Annual Reports,* are noncompliant, the Director found CARE to be noncompliant and directed the Waste Evaluation and Enforcement Branch (WEEB) to verify findings and other potential violations of the statute and regulations and, if warranted, consider action(s) including but not limited to imposition of civil penalties, a compliance schedule, or other options to achieve compliance. WEEB’s recommendations are tentatively slated to be heard at the December 20, 2016, monthly meeting.

The current [CARE California Carpet Stewardship Plan](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Carpet/Plans/default.htm) expires on December 31, 2016. Carpet America Recovery Effort (CARE) has submitted to CalRecycle a new Carpet Stewardship Plan titled [“California Carpet Stewardship Plan 2017-2021”](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Carpet/Plans/2017Plan.pdf)  on October 15, 2016. CalRecycle requested any written stakeholder comments on the new Plan be submitted by November 14, 2016. The following is a direct link to the proposed 2017-2021 Plan: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Carpet/Plans/2017Plan.pdf>. This new Plan will be considered at the December 20, 2016 public meeting, which will be held at the Cal/EPA Headquarters Building at 1001 I Street, Sacramento. The Public Notice for this agenda item will be posted on [CalRecycle’s website](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/Default.aspx?Grouped=False&Collapsed=False&ActionItemTypeIDs=50,51,85) in December 2016.

To subscribe to or unsubscribe from the Carpet Product Stewardship Listserv, please go to <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs/>.

C**ARE Announces $2.4 Million in Grant Awards for Carpet Recycling**

The Carpet America Recovery Effort (CARE) has awarded approximately $2.4 million in [grant funding](https://carpetrecovery.org/care-pilot-grant-program-notice-released/) for eight capital improvements and three product testing projects that utilize post-consumer carpet.  Grant applicants selected for awards are: American Fiber Cushion, Carpet Solutions, GHD, Inc, Landfill Clear, Rethink Green, SafePath Products, Sierra Rubber Company, South Bend Modern Molding, West Coast Rubber Recycling, and XT Green.  For more information about awards visit <https://carpetrecovery.org/care-announces-2-4-million-in-grant-awards-for-carpet-recycling/>

For more information on the Carpet Stewardship Program and carpet materials management in general, visit CalRecycle’s Carpet Materials Management web page at [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/carpet](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/carpet).

**Paint Stewardship Program**

On November 2, 2016, CalRecycle received PaintCare’s Annual Report for the 4th year of implementation of the CA paint stewardship program. PaintCare has indicated that the report will be resubmitted with additional/corrected information on December 1, 2016, which will be considered as part of CalRecycle’s compliance review. CalRecycle notified PaintCare that the report was found to be complete via a letter sent on November 22, 2016.

CalRecycle is currently reviewing the report and program performance for compliance with the requirements of statute and regulation and will have an agenda item for the CalRecycle Director’s consideration at the January Public Meeting. Stakeholder comments were requested through December 19th and may be sent to the CalRecycle Paint Team at [paint@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:paint@calrecycle.ca.gov).

More information on the annual report review process, including a copy of PaintCare's Year 4 Annual Report and CalRecycle’s Completeness Letter, can be found on CalRecycle's Paint Stewardship Program Annual Reporting webpage at [www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Paint/AnnualReport/](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Paint/AnnualReport/).

CalRecycle’s Architectural Paint Stewardship Program Annual Administrative Fees of $403,490.06 for the period of July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016, were approved by CalRecycle’s Director at the September 20, 2016 Public Meeting, as directed by the Architectural Paint Stewardship Law (Public Resources Code §§ 48700 - 48706 and § 18958 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations).

**Beverage Containers**

A large recycler, RePlanet, closed almost 200 certified recycling centers throughout the state effective January 31. These centers primarily purchased only California Redemption Value (CRV) beverage containers. This represents a mere 10% of all certified recycling centers; however, the majority of these closures were located in Northern California.

We wanted to make you aware that your jurisdiction may receive calls from concerned residents about reduced recycling opportunities.  Please direct these callers to 1-800-RECYCLE.

We will offer these callers following options:

* To find other recycling opportunities, a list of operational programs is available on our website.  Users can input a local zip code, and the nearest recycling center, or other program, will be displayed.  <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BevContainer/Recyclers/Directory/Default.aspx?lang=en-US>.
* In some areas, new recycling center operators may fill the vacancy left by rePlanet.  Consumers with small amounts of material may be able to hold onto the material until that happens.
* In other areas, after a few months of no service from a certified recycling center, some retailers who sell CRV beverage containers may be required to redeem in store, and consumers can return the containers there for a return of the CRV they paid.
* Consumers who do not wish to receive their CRV back can either donate material to certified drop-off or collection programs, nonprofit community service programs, or place materials in their curbside recycling bin, if they have access to such a program.