

CalRecycle ESJPA Update October 2016

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. 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:

- i. Identify number of businesses subject to AB 341: _____
 - Of those businesses, how many are NOT recycling: _____
- ii. Identify number of multifamily dwellings subject to AB 341: _____
 - Of those multifamily dwellings, how many are NOT recycling: _____
- iii. 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](#) database and the [Where to Recycle](#) 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 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.

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](#). 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 acted at its June 21, 2016 Monthly Public Meeting to raise the covered electronic waste (CEW) recovery and recycling payment rates. Based on industry cost data reported by participating collectors and recyclers, along with staff analysis of these data, and taking into consideration that there will inevitably be market fluctuations that impact future costs and revenues, staff had recommended that the standard statewide recovery payment rate specified in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, section 18660.33, and the standard statewide combined recovery and recycling payment rate specified in 14 CCR 18660.34, be increased.

Specifically:

- Staff recommended that the Standard Statewide Recovery Payment Rate, as delineated in 14 CCR 18660.33, should be increased from 18 cents per pound to 19 cents per pound.
- Staff recommended that the Standard Statewide Combined Recovery and Recycling Payment Rate, as delineated in 14 CCR 18660.34, should be increased from 44 cents per pound to 49 cents per pound.
- Staff recommended that these payment rate changes be made immediately, effective July 1, 2016, as applicable to the CEW transfer and/or claim conditions contained in existing associated regulation.

Program staff is currently working to make the necessary filing with the Office of Administrative Law to enact the recommended rate increases.

With regards to the CEW Recycling Fee, an item was presented at the July 18, 2016 Public Meeting that recommended the following changes to the consumer fee:

- **Five dollars (\$5)** for each covered electronic device with a screen size greater than 4 inches but less than 15 inches measured diagonally.
- **Six dollars (\$6)** for each covered electronic device with a screen size greater than or equal to 15 inches but less than 35 inches measured diagonally.
- **Seven dollars (\$7)** for each covered electronic device with a screen size greater than or equal to 35 inches measured diagonally.

CalRecycle was required determine by the statutory date of August 1, 2016, whether any fee adjustments are necessary. Any adjustments made to the fee levels would take effect on January 1, 2017. Staff will work with the CalRecycle Legal Office to promulgate emergency regulations, as authorized by PRC 42475.2, so that the new fee levels are reflected in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, section 18660.40.

The CEW Program also recently held two stakeholder workshops:

“The Future of Electronic Waste Management in California” began the longer-term exploration of program evolution necessary to keep pace with a rapidly changing e-waste stream and volatile global market conditions. A panel of experts and breakout sessions allowed attendees to share perspectives and identify essential elements of possible policy directions. Details are at: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1854&aiid=1682>

“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 1, 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.

Update: 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/) 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.

Additional information on the Mattress Recycling Council's efforts can be found on their website: 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 \(AB 2398\)](#), [Regulations \(Title 14, Div 7, Chapter 11, Article 1.0. Product Stewardship for Carpets\)](#) and the [approved Carpet Stewardship Plan](#).

Update: 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 210, 2016, monthly meeting.

Separately, the current CARE California Carpet Stewardship Plan expires at the end of 2016. CARE submitted a new Plan on October 15 and CalRecycle will be posting the Plan and soliciting stakeholder comments via this listserv. Staff's recommendations on the new Plan are tentatively slated to be heard at the December 210, 2016, monthly meeting.

The current [CARE California Carpet Stewardship Plan](#) 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](#)". CalRecycle is requesting any written stakeholder comments on the new Plan by November 14, 2016. Please submit written comments via email to the CalRecycle Carpet Team at carpet@calrecycle.ca.gov.

The following is a direct link to the proposed 2017-2021 Plan, submitted to CalRecycle on October 15, 2016: <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](#) in December 2016.

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

CARE 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 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.

Paint Stewardship Program

CalRecycle received PaintCare's California Paint Stewardship Program Year 3 Annual Report on November 3, 2015. Staff reviewed the report, and on November 16th, CalRecycle notified PaintCare that the report was determined to be complete.

At the January 26, 2016 Public Meeting, staff recommended finding PaintCare's Year 3 Annual Report compliant.

More information on the annual report review process, including a copy of PaintCare's Year 3 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/.

Update: Staff requested approval of the Annual CalRecycle Architectural Paint Stewardship Administrative Fees for the period of July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016, as directed by the architectural paint stewardship law (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2010 [Huffman, AB 1343], Public Resources Code §§ 48700 - 48706) and § 18958 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations at the September 20, 2016, Public Meeting.

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.

GRANT, PAYMENT, AND LOANS

Grants Updates at - 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 or directly at <https://fundwiz.ice.ucdavis.edu/>.

GRANT/LOANS AWARDS (September Meeting)

Awards and Distributions of Payments for the Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program (California Beverage Container Recycling Fund, FY 2016–16)

Public Notice: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1889&aiid=1725>

OPEN GRANT/PAYMENT/LOAN CYCLES

2016–17 Rubberized Pavement 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 Rubberized Pavement Grant Program is designed to promote markets for recycled-content surfacing products derived from only California-generated waste tires. It is aimed at encouraging first-time or limited users of rubberized pavement in two project types—Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Hot-Mix (Hot-Mix) and Rubberized Chip Seal (Chip Seal).

Criteria

[Approval of Criteria, July 19, 2016](#)

Eligibility

Applicants

- Local Governments (cities, counties, and cities and counties) as defined in Public Resources Code section 48617.
- Other local governmental agencies (including regional park districts, special districts, and Joint Powers Authorities [where all JPA members are also otherwise eligible applicants]).
- State agencies (including offices, departments, bureaus, and boards). State agencies are only eligible for projects for Class 1 bikeways, greenways, and disability access at parks—see Projects for specific limitations.
- Qualifying Indian Tribes. A “Qualifying Indian Tribe” is defined as an Indian tribe, band, nation or other organized group or community, residing within the borders of California, which:
(1) is recognized for special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians

because of the status of its members as Indians; or
(2) can establish that it is a government entity and which meets the criteria of the grant program.

More Information:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/Pavement/FY201617/default.htm>

Due Date: October 26, 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](#) 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](#) 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](#), and additional [Successful Projects](#) are available online.

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

Due Date: November 3, 2016

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](#)

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

UPCOMING GRANT/PAYMENT/LOAN CYCLES

2016–17 Local Government Waste Tire Enforcement Grant Program

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.

The purpose of the Local Government Waste Tire Enforcement Grant Program (Program) is to provide funding to local governments for the enforcement of waste tire permitting, hauling, and storage laws and regulations. In general, this includes activities such as:

- Identifying waste tire businesses.
- Monitoring those businesses' compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Taking enforcement action in cases of persistent non-compliance and when illegal waste tire activities are identified.

Criteria

[Approval of Criteria, August 4, 2015](#)

CalRecycle Website: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Tires/Grants/Enforcement/>

2016–17 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant and Loan Programs

The Governor's 2016–17 revised proposed budget included \$100 million in greenhouse gas reduction funds to CalRecycle to administer grant and loan programs. CalRecycle proposed designating the funding approximately as follows: \$61 million for organics grants, which includes \$57 million for standard organics projects and a \$4 million set aside for rural projects; \$15 million for fiber, plastic, and glass grants; \$10 million for food waste prevention and rescue grants; \$6 million for demonstration projects; \$5 million for loans (along with previously approved and still available funding from previous fiscal years); and \$3 million for administration. The full Budget Change Proposal for this can be viewed at: <http://web1a.esd.dof.ca.gov/dofpublic/viewBcp.html>

Update: -- Through AB 1613 (Budget Act 2016), CalRecycle received \$40 million for Greenhouse Gas Reduction programs.

Details of how CalRecycle plans to use this funding will be discussed in public meetings over the course of the next few months. CalRecycle anticipates that the first Notice of Funding Availability, for Organics infrastructure grants, will be issued in January 2017.

Eligibility and scoring criteria for FY 16–17 Organics Grant Program were discussed at the April public meet and for the Recycled Fiber, Plastic, and Glass Grant Program at the May public meeting, but these will likely need to be revised based input at upcoming workshops. The previously-approved Request for Approval and Scoring Criteria documents are available at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1777&aiid=1617> and <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=1800&aiid=1634> respectively.

Food waste prevention grants were discussed at a workshop in early April in conjunction with the *BioCycle* conference. *BioCycle* article includes preview of Scott Smithline's keynote address at the *BioCycle* conference <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> Other components of the budget proposal also will be discussed in public meetings to be scheduled. CalRecycle Website: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/GrantsLoans/default.htm

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

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>

EVENTS

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

Workshop to Discuss CalRecycle’s Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Programs and their Relationship to Disadvantaged Communities, Fiscal Year 2016–17

Date: October 26, 2016 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Location: Holistic Cultural and Education Wellness Center 4879 E. Kings Canyon Road, Fresno, CA 93727

Contact(s): Alex.Byrne@calrecycle.ca.gov

Description:

The purpose of this workshop is to solicit input on key aspects of our Greenhouse Gas Reduction grant programs and their Relationship to Disadvantaged Communities. Comments and questions may be emailed to GHGReductions@CalRecycle.ca.gov before, during, and after this workshop.

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
- o Send comments/questions to: GHGReductions@CalRecycle.ca.gov

Announcement of BCRP Statewide Rate Determination Study Workshop

Date: October 27, 2016 at 9a.m

Location: CalRecycle’s Riverside Office

1955 Chicago Avenue, Suite 100
Riverside, CA 92507-2383

Description: CalRecycle will hold a workshop to discuss the methodology used to conduct the statewide segregated and commingled rate studies. As required by law, CalRecycle will, through the workshop, consult with private and public operators of curbside, drop-off or collection, community service, recycling center, and reverse vending machine programs regarding the size of the statewide sample, appropriate sampling methodologies and alternatives to exclusive reliance on a statewide commingled rate. The study methodology used by CalRecycle will be presented in detail, and participants’ comments and questions will be addressed.

Department Staff Contact: Cameron.Swinko@CalRecycle.ca.gov

Announcement of BCRP Statewide Public Hearing Regarding 2016 Rate Adjustment

Date: October 27, 2016 at 10:30 a.m

Location: CalRecycle’s Riverside Office

1955 Chicago Avenue, Suite 100
Riverside, CA 92507-2383

Description: As required by law, CalRecycle will hold a public hearing to detail the mid-year adjustment to the statewide segregated and commingled rates, which will become effective on January 1, 2017. Summarized documentation of study data supporting our review of the new statewide commingled rates will be available. There will also be an opportunity for interested parties to ask any questions regarding the recalculation of the statewide commingled rates.

Department Staff Contact: Cameron.Swinko@CalRecycle.ca.gov

2016 Used Oil & Household Hazardous Waste Training & Conference

<http://www.cvent.com/events/2016-used-oil-household-hazardous-waste-training-conference/event-summary-e985ab6df0224b4b84401eba2fac2d81.aspx>

Date: November 1-4, 2016

Location: Sacramento Convention Center, Sacramento, CA

Description: The conference is a must for those involved in used oil recycling and household hazardous waste programs in California. Recycling coordinators, nonprofit agencies, state agencies, private businesses, and others who are involved in used oil recycling and household hazardous waste programs should attend this conference.

Next Monthly Public Meeting

November 15, 2016

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicMeeting/