

**COUNTYWIDE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE/ CRRA San Diego Chapter and Zero Waste San Diego Public Meeting
MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

WHEN: Thursday, April 10, 2025 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm

This meeting will be in-person with the option for virtual attendance

PLEASE NOTE: floor and room change for in-person attendance

County of San Diego, Department of Public Works

5510 Overland Ave

3rd Floor, Conference Room #371

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San Diego, CA 92123

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Submit Agenda Items to Chair Rick Anthony and County Staff Steve Weihe 2 weeks prior to the next meeting: RicAnthony@aol.com and Steve.Weihe@sdcounty.ca.gov

Agenda

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2. Approval, Minutes March 2025
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4. Staff Reports
 - a. Cities
 - b. County
 - c. Haulers
 - d. Non-Profits
5. Public Comments and Communication
6. Regional Planning Issues
 - a. Wasting Fee
7. Legislative Update
8. Roundtable
9. Adjournment

Minutes

WHEN: Thursday, March 13, from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Chair
 - i. Richard Anthony* (*in-person attendee)
- b. Guests
 - i. Shannon Lee, County of San Diego*
 - ii. Kirk Kinder, County of San Diego*
 - iii. Ani Putnam, City of San Diego
 - iv. Helen and Ron Kagan, residents/Planet Flip
 - v. Gabriel Schiering, I Love A Clean San Diego
 - vi. Kelsey Cobran – Goodwill of San Diego
 - vii. Beryl Flom – League of Women Voters
 - viii. Ron Askeland, Sierra Club

2. Approval, minutes from February 2025

- a. Approved

3. Chair's Report

- a. Zero Waste Symposium <https://zerowastesandiego.org/events-main/#symposium>
 - i. Over 300 people attended the event in-person; 100 online.

4. Staff reports

- a. City of San Diego
 - i. Debris Assistance Program
 - 1. <https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/2024-03/debris-assistance-program-english.pdf>
 - ii. Measure B
 - 1. FAQ website is live [Potential Future Fees for Waste Collection Service | City of San Diego Official Website](#)
 - a. Open house calendar and website - [City of San Diego Trash Study | Participate](#)
 - iii. Events
 - 1. <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/events>
 - iv. Single Use Plastic Reduction ordinance
 - <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/pf-ban>
 - v. Compost Giveaways
 - 1. Next event in on March 29th at Lake Murray Community Park, 8 am – 12 pm.
 - a. <https://cleangreensd.org/participation/>
 - 2. Future giveaways can be found by visiting <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/composting-events>

b. County of San Diego

i. Site Visits

1. Actively visiting C&D sites, Tier I/II business (under SB 1383), commercial as well as multi-family residences to assist with recycling and organic waste educational outreach.
 - a. 36 site visits conducted in February. 13 were Food Recovery Organizations receiving their annual site visit, 2 were Tier 2 EFG, 1 was a Tier 1 EFG and there were 2 MFC's.

ii. Waivers

1. Reviews continue both on organic waste waiver exemptions and self-haul forms for recyclables.

iii. Outreach

1. Starting to give out kitchen pails to multifamily residents to help with the convenience of storage/transport. Bringing to tabling events.
2. Last month's Fallbrook Backyard Compost Workshop and Virtual SB1383 webinar well attended. Backyard chicken workshop well attended.
3. [Master Composter Course](#) beginning March 15th through April 12th at Water Conservation Garden in El Cajon
4. On-farm series has begun at Teri Campus of Life in unincorporated San Marcos.
5. Continuing school presentations.
6. Upcoming backyard chickens' workshop 3/8 in spring valley is full already (this is the second one this year that's max out capacity - excited to see interest in that one).
7. Upcoming Master Composter series begins 3/15 in El Cajon at Water Conservation Garden - https://solanacenter.org/inspire_events/master-composter-course-el-cajon/
8. Newly revised MFC bag designs are finished and will be printed within the coming months.
9. Working on OOPS Tag program (beginning procurement steps)

iv. Self-Haul

1. Some businesses have decided to stop self-hauling recyclables (too much work) and have switched back to cart/dumpster service.

v. Organic waste campaign

1. Organic waste outreach campaign ran 11/15/24-1/15/25 generating over 7,000,000 impressions through use of radio, posters, social media, and digital banner ads.

c. Haulers

i. EDCO

1. An SB 54 Advisory Board meeting will be held on March 21st, 10 am to 4 pm -

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_DWlxN5HFTaogLaU7zS4tqmWS59CiCeJ/edit?tab=t.0

2. Anticipating construction of two additional anaerobic digesters (AD) at EDCO facility in Escondido, bringing the total to four and increasing organic waste diversion capacity in the region.
 - a. Solid and liquid digestates (by products of the AD process) are being sent to a farm in San Diego; more locations are needed.

d. Non-profits

i. Zero Waste San Diego (ZWSD)

1. Fix-It Clinics

- a. Events <https://zerowastesandiego.org/sdfixitclinic/>

ii. Goodwill

1. Holding an e-waste collection event on Saturday, March 29th

iii. I Love A Clean San Diego

1. <https://cleansd.org/events/category/events/list/>

- a. Many upcoming events around various topics.

5. Public Comments and Communication

a. Attendees discussed

i. Richard Anthony

1. Zero Waste Symposium held in February at the County of San Diego had over 300 attendees.
 - a. Speakers included Senator Blakespear, Californians Against Waste, and City of Chula Vista, among others.
2. Fixit clinics were recently recognized by the EPA
 - a. Expanding to LA County

ii. Helen Kagan

1. Concerns over PFAS
 - a. Two ranches in Texas bought PFAS contaminated sludge that killed their livestock.

6. Regional Planning issues

a. <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/zerowasteplan/>

b. Wasting Fee discussion (from Chair)

- i. Sierra Club is taking the lead.
- ii. Looking to build a coalition and start organizing in March, including letter writing.
- iii. SB 45 “Connect the Cap” is a proposed bill. Wasn’t adopted last legislative session due to cost.
 1. Talk to your elected officials

7. Legislative update (<https://www.calpsc.org/legislation>)

a. Old bills

- a. [AB 2 – Ward – Recycling: solar photovoltaic modules](#)

Solar panel EPR - Merged into AB 1238. Died in the Senate Com. on APPR. on 08/16/24.

b. [SB 560 – Laird – Solid waste: gas cylinders: stewardship program](#)

Gas cylinder EPR - Dead bill as of 1/18/24.

c. [SB 707 - Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023](#)

Textiles EPR - Signed into law.

d. [AB 234 – Bauer-Kahan – Microparticles](#) - dead bill as of 1/31/24.

e. [AB 347 – Ting - Household product safety: toxic substances](#) - Signed into law.

f. [AB 660 – Irwin – Food labeling: quality dates, safety dates, and sell by dates](#) - Signed into law.

g. [AB 1290 – Luz Rivas – Product safety: plastic packaging: substances](#)

Banning colored PETE (#1) bottles - Dead bill as of 2/1/24.

h. [AB 1347 – Ting – Solid waste: paper waste: proofs of purchase](#)

“Skip the Slip.” Amended on 07/13/23. Sitting in Senate Com. on APPR. as of 08/21/23.

i. [AB 1659 – Gabriel – Sale of small electronic devices: charging devices](#)

Universal small electronics receptacle.

Now a 2-Year bill. Sitting in Senate Appropriations Committee as of 08/15/24.

j. SB 54 regulations have been released (updated covered materials list) -

<https://calrecycle.ca.gov/packaging/packaging-epr/cmclist/>

h. [SB 1053 -- Solid waste: reusable grocery bags: standards: plastic film prohibition](#)

Signed into law.

i. [SB 1143 – Paint products: stewardship program](#)

Amended from HHW EPR bill to Paint Stewardship bill - Signed into law.

j. [SB 1280 -- Waste management: propane cylinders: reusable or refillable](#)

Signed into law.

k. [AB 2762 -- Plastic waste: California Reusable Beverage Container Act](#)

Dead bill as of 5/17/24.

l. [AB 2761 – Reducing Toxics in Packaging Act](#)

Held in Committee at the request of the author 6/13/24.

[AB-863, Carpet and flooring recycling: producer responsibility organizations: fines: succession: training.](#)

This bill would establish a flooring producer responsibility program.

Signed into law.

New 2025 bills introduced:

m. [AB-762, Single-use Vaping Devices Sales Ban](#)

This bill would prohibit, beginning January 1, 2026, a person from selling, distributing, or offering for sale a new or refurbished disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device in this state. The bill would define a “disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device” to mean a vaporization device that is not designed or intended to be reused, as specified.

n. [AB-823, Solid waste: plastic microbeads.](#)

This bill would, on and after January 1, 2027, prohibit a person from selling, distributing, or offering for promotional purposes in this state a cleaning product, as defined, or a personal care product in a rinse-off product, containing one ppm or more by weight of plastic microbeads that are used as an abrasive, as specified. The bill would, on and after January 1, 2028, prohibit a person from selling, distributing, or offering for promotional purposes in this state a coating, as defined, cleaning product, or personal care product, that contains one ppm or more by weight of plastic microbeads that are not used as an abrasive.

o. [AB-864, Hazardous waste: solar photovoltaic modules](#)

This bill would exempt solar photovoltaic modules not identified as hazardous waste and treated as universal waste, as defined, from state hazardous waste regulations, if transferred to a designated recycler for legitimate recycling.

p. [SB-45, Recycling: beverage containers: tethered plastic caps](#)

The bill would require, on and after January 1, 2027, beverage containers, as defined, intended for sale in this state, to have a cap that is tethered to the container that prevents the separation of the cap from the container when the cap is removed from the container by the consumer.

q. [SB-501, Household Hazardous Waste Producer Responsibility Act](#)

This bill would create a producer responsibility program for products containing household hazardous waste and would require a producer responsibility organization (PRO) to ensure the safe and convenient collection and management of covered products at no cost to consumers or local governments. The bill would define “covered product” to mean a consumer product that is ignitable, toxic, corrosive, or reactive, or that meets other specified criteria.

r. [SB-561, Hazardous waste: Emergency Distress Flare Safe Disposal Act](#) (Marine Flares)

This bill would create a manufacturer responsibility program for the safe and proper management of emergency distress flares. The bill would define “covered product” to include certain pyrotechnic devices that meet the criteria for household hazardous waste, as specified. The bill would require a manufacturer of a covered product, individually or through a manufacturer responsibility organization, to develop and management of covered products, as specified.

s. [SB-615, Vehicle Traction Batteries](#)

This bill would require a battery supplier, as defined, to be responsible for, among other duties, ensuring the responsible end-of-life management of a vehicle traction battery if it is removed from a vehicle that is still in service, as provided, or if the vehicle traction battery is offered or returned to its battery supplier, and reporting information regarding the sale, transfer, or receipt of a vehicle traction battery or module to the department, as provided.

t. [AB-80 Carpet recycling: product stewardship for carpet: fines](#)

The act includes a product stewardship for carpet program and a successor carpet producer responsibility program. The product stewardship for carpet program requires a manufacturer of carpets sold in this state, individually or through a carpet stewardship organization, to submit a carpet stewardship plan to the department. The program authorizes the department to administratively impose a civil penalty of \$25,000 per day on any person in violation of the program if the violation is intentional, knowing, or negligent.

u. Bills vetoed by the Governor (previous session):

i. [SB 1066 -- EPR for Marine Flares](#)

ii. [SB 615 – End-of-life management for vehicle traction batteries](#)

8. Roundtable

a. Federal Senate has approved a Recycling and a separate composting bill

i. [S. 1194 Recycling and Composting Accountability Act](#) Passed Senate on 3/12/24.

ii. [S. 1189 Recycling Infrastructure and Accessibility Act of 2024](#) Passed Senate on 3/12/24.

9. Adjournment