

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

WHEN: Thursday, July 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

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval, Minutes June 2025
3. Chair's Report
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, June 12, from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Chair
 - i. Steve Mergener for Richard Anthony* (*in-person attendee)
 - ii. Ric Anthony, Zero Waste San Diego*
- b. Guests
 - i. Kirk Kinder, County of San Diego*
 - ii. Steve Weihe, County of San Diego
 - iii. Ron Askeland - Sierra Club San Diego *
 - iv. Helen Kagan – Resident
 - v. Beryl Flom, Resident

2. Approval, minutes from May 2025

- a. Approved

3. Chair's Report – no report

4. Staff reports

- a. City of San Diego - no report
 - i. Notes below are from May's CAC meeting
 - ii. Events
 - 1. Measure B
 - a. [Potential Future Fees for Waste Collection Service | City of San Diego Official Website](#)
 - b. Open house calendar and website - [City of San Diego Trash Study | Participate](#)
 - c. Customer transition effort – Approximately 15,000 parcels in City of San Diego that will need to transition to commercial/private hauler service.
 - B. Letters delivered to residences that need to transition from private haulers to city collection. Mailers went out in April 2025.
 - d. Website has criteria for City service:
<https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/events>
 - e. Attendees asked
 - B. Prop 218 – who is counting the votes? City representative will find out and report back to the group.
 - iii. Compost Giveaways
 - 1. <https://cleangreensd.org/participation/>

- a. Future giveaways can be found by visiting <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/composting-events>
- b. County of San Diego
 - i. 5/31 manure composting event in Lakeside saw 15 attendees
 - 1. Best practices for composting manure onsite were shared.
 - ii. Notes below are from May's CAC meeting
 - iii. 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.
 - iv. Waivers
 - 1. Reviews continue both on organic waste waiver exemptions and self-haul forms for recyclables.
 - v. Outreach
 - 1. Edible Food Recovery (EFR) Working Group will have a presentation from Hennepin & Ramsey County (Minnesota) on their food donation programs and work with surplus edible food generators.
 - 2. [Recycling Regional Working Group](#) will have a presentation on Environmentally Preferable Purchasing for May meeting and Wasting Fee in June. 4th Tuesday of every month from 10am – 12pm.
 - 3. Starting to give out kitchen pails to multifamily residents to help with the convenience of storage/transport. Bringing to tabling events.
 - 4. Continuing school presentations.
 - 5. Newly revised MFC bag designs are finished and will be printed within the coming months.
 - 6. Working on OOPS Tag program (working through procurement steps)
 - vi. Self-Haul
 - 1. Some businesses have decided to stop self-hauling recyclables (too much work) and have switched back to cart/dumpster service.
- c. Haulers
 - i. EDCO – no report
- d. Non-profits
 - i. Zero Waste San Diego (ZWSD)
 - 1. New space secured at 611 Beech St. Will be a Paintcare drop off location
 - 2. Looking for donations of wood
 - 3. 7/2/25 soft opening
 - 4. Documentary screening of Great Pacific Garbage Patch at Mission Valley Library
 - 5. Fix-It Clinics

- a. Events <https://zerowastesandiego.org/sdfixitclinic/>
 - B. Getting 50-60 items to try and fix at each event
 - ii. Goodwill -no report
 - iii. I Love A Clean San Diego – no report
 - iv. Sierra Club.
 - 1. Wasting Fee – 2nd draft letter sent to environmental groups
 - 2. Ten organizations have signed on to the coalition
 - 3. Ron will draft send the letter to all in CAC group
 - 4. Would like to ask Regional Recycling Group to set priorities
 - vi. League of Women Voters– No report

5. Public Comments and Communication

- a. Attendees discussed
 - 1. Beryl - New President for League of Women Voters – Jane Andrews
 - 2. Ron - Sierra Club will be sending the Wasting Fee draft letter to League of Women Voters
 - 3. Ric - 6-3 City Council voted in favor to pass the “trash” fee (in effect 7/1/25)
 - 4. Stephen – City of San Diego audit said that 80% of what is going into the landfill is recyclable or compostable
 - 5. Ric – RAA id providing education to strip malls for the County

6. Regional Planning issues

- a. Wasting Fee discussion (from Chair)
 - i. Discussed above

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 8/16/24

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. (Rick spoke on this one)

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. [SB-353 Income tax: credits: food banks.](#)

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law allow various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws, including, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2017, ~~and before January 1, 2027~~, a credit for qualified taxpayers in an amount equal to 15% of the qualified value of fresh fruits or vegetables and specified raw agricultural products or processed foods donated to a food bank. This bill would extend the authorization for those tax credits indefinitely.

v. 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](#)

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

8. Adjournment