

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

WHEN: Thursday, March 13, 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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Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval, Minutes February 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

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1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Chair
 - i. Richard Anthony* (*in-person attendee)
- b. Guests
 - i. April Andrews, County of San Diego*
 - ii. Kirk Kinder, County of San Diego*
 - iii. Ani Putnam, City of San Diego
 - iv. Julia Glorioso, I Love A Clean San Diego (ILACSD)
 - v. Helen and Ron Kagan, residents/Planet Flip
 - vi. Stephen Mergener, Zero Waste San Diego*
 - vii. Laura Anthony, Zero Waste San Diego*
 - viii. Ron Askeland, Sierra Club

2. Approval, minutes from January 2025

- a. Approved

3. Chair's Report

- a. Sierra Club is taking the lead on the Wasting Fee.
- b. Zero Waste Symposium is on February 26 <https://zerowastesandiego.org/events-main/#symposium>

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](#)
 - 2. Information from the series of open houses is going to Environment Committee 2/13/2025.
 - 3. Next series of 9 open houses will be held in March & April, 2025.
 - 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>
 - 1.
 - v. Compost Giveaways
 - 1. Next event will be 2/22/2025 at Canyonside Recreation Center.

2. Future giveaways can be found by visiting <https://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling/composting-events>
 3. Mattress collection site hours have changed to 6:30 am – 3:00 pm.
- 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. 32 site visits conducted in January. 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.
 2. Completed successful Feb SB1383 commercial business webinar with record high attendance.
 3. Continued school presentations.
 4. Upcoming backyard basics workshop 2/22 in Fallbrook (1 day).
 5. Upcoming on-farm composting course (multi-day Saturdays) 2/22-3/8 9:30-12pm at Teri Campus of Life (unincorporated San Marcos), there's a \$25 deposit to register that is refundable upon completion of course, if financial hardship requests exist deposit can be waived (just need to request it).
 6. Upcoming backyard basics workshop 3/1 in Bonita (1 day).
 7. 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).
 8. Upcoming Master Composter series begins 3/15 in El Cajon at WCG, more to come next month.
 9. Josh Keyton on our team will presenting for the County at the February Zero Waste Symposium.
 10. Newly revised MFC bag designs are finished and will be printed within the coming months.
 11. 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. No report/no haulers in attendance
 - d. Non-profits
 - i. Zero Waste San Diego (ZWSD)
 1. Fix-It Clinics
 - a. Events <https://zerowastesandiego.org/sdfixitclinic/>
 - b. Event with City of San Diego on 2/9/2025 had media coverage. Both a representative from ZWSD and the City were interviewed along with a fixer.
 2. Zero Waste Symposium will be held at the County Offices (5520 Overland Ave 92123) on February 26.
 - a. As of 2/13/2025 there are 180 people registered for the symposium.
 - b. The symposium will be virtual as well as in person.
 - c. Registration at the door will be allowed for a fee.
 - ii. Sierra Club
 1. Presenting at the Zero Waste Symposium.
 2. Need to get distribution list from ZWSD to get information out to stakeholders on several issues.
 - iii. I Love A Clean San Diego
 1. <https://cleansd.org/events/category/events/list/>
- 5. Public Comments and Communication**
- a. Attendees discussed
 - i. Speech Recognition Application
 1. Helen & Rob Kagan are working with UCSD to create an app that will allow people to ask what bin a material goes in audibly.
 - ii. Helen Kagan would like to have the haulers approve recycling GIF's she is making for her blog. She wants them to be accurate.
 - iii. Wooden single use utensils at the Berlin and Basil airports.
 1. Helen Kagan asked for contact information for the San Diego International Airport to open a discussion about switching from single use plastic to wooden/bamboo utensils. ZWSD will provide the contact information.
- 6. Regional Planning issues**
- a. <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/zerowasteplan/>
 - b. Wasting Fee discussion (from Chair)
 - i. Sierra Club will be taking the lead on this item.
- 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.

m. Bills vetoed by the Governor

- i. [SB 1066 -- EPR for Marine Flares](#)
- ii. [SB 615 – End-of-life management for vehicle traction batteries](#)

b. New bills

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

Starting January 1, 2027, SB 45 would require beverage containers sold in CA to have a cap tethered to the container preventing the cap from separating from the container when the consumer opens it, with some exceptions.

- ii. [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.

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