

Regional Recycling Working Group Meeting

Date: 02/25/2025

Meetings take place the 4th Tuesday of the month from 10am – 12pm

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Agenda

1. Introductions

- Wbaldo Arellano – City of Imperial Beach
- Kenneth Prue III – City of Oceanside
- Ofelia Andrade – City of Coronado
- Larissa Amaral – Solana Center
- Emily Schuetz – CalRecycle
- Ann Marie Sack – I Love a Clean San Diego
- Leslie Webb-Blanco – City of Vista
- Ted Reiff – The ReUse People of America
- Manuel Medrano – City of Chula Vista
- Fernando Moreno – SCS Engineers
- Cynthia Mallett – WM
- Janin Rodarte – City of Oceanside
- Tracia Bills – HDR Engineering
- Kirk Kinder – County of San Diego
- Jesus Aramburo – WM
- Monica Martinez – City of El Cajon
- Suzan Ehdaie – City of Coronado
- Jenna Roripaugh – WM
- Ellyn Law – County of San Diego
- Lotte Phoummavong – Goodwill
- Shannon Lee – County of San Diego
- Timothy Lee
- Paul Maechler – City of Encinitas
- Richard Anthony - Rick Anthony & Associates
- Eric Wolff – County of San Diego
- Colleen Foster – HF&H
- Joanne Brasch - CPSC
- Rosemarie Chora
- Daron Warkentin – City of San Diego
- Yvonne Cordero – City of Imperial

2. Open Forum

- a. Zero Waste Symposium – 2/25/2025
 - i. Sold out event!
- b. Solana Center
 - i. [SB 1383 Food Recovery Inspection Training](#) - Mar 05, 2025 9:00AM
Mar 13, 2025 1:00PM
 - ii. [Zero Waste Textile Expo 2025](#) - Mar 08, 2025 10:00AM—12:00PM
 - iii. [Backyard Composting and Chicken Workshop](#) - Mar 08, 2025 10:00AM—
12:00PM
 - iv. [Master Composter Course in El Cajon](#) - Mar 15, 2025 9:00AM
Apr 12, 2025 12:00PM
 - v. EFR Insights: They are picking up highly perishable items and do not have enough distribution days. Finding prepared food partners has been difficult as well.
- c. I Love a Clean San Diego
 - i. [Clean Up Event at Chula Vista](#)
 - ii. [Save your Scraps Workshop in Poway](#)
 - iii. [Annual Creek to Bay Event](#)

3. Presentation

- a. Commercial Deconstruction – The Reuse People – Ted Reiff, Founder
 - i. The Reuse People look to reduce the solid waste stream by salvaging building materials and distributing them for reuse.
 - ii. The Reuse People act as a distribution hub for recovered materials in the Bay Area and partners with certified contractors to complete commercial deconstruction.
 - iii. They offer a free white paper on Designing and Implementing a Deconstruction Ordinance. It can be found [here](#).
 - iv. City of Chula Vista – Can you elaborate on the data you provide to clients after recovery?
 - 1. Economic Donatable Amounts
 - a. It typically offsets the costs of deconstruction at the residential level. Tax incentives are lower at the commercial end.
 - 2. They also can compute embodied energy and carbon.
 - v. Joanne Brasch- What opportunities have you seen for solar panels?
 - 1. Reuse People often takes solar panels and have seen people reuse it for alternative uses other than solar collection.
 - vi. ZWSD – Are you all looking into a market in San Diego?
 - 1. They are looking to establish a small warehouse.
 - vii. County of SD – Challenges with documenting reuse process?
 - 1. For their facility, everything that enters the facility is weighed by a public scale first. Inventory is then taken to show additional proof.

2. They are also going to set lumber minimums and compare it to the original amount of lumber built into the house so they can estimate recovery percentages.
4. CalRecycle Update
 - a. March 19th – [SB 1383 Implementation in Multifamily Dwellings](#)
 - b. [Grants for Farm Abatement, Recycling Market Zone, Etc](#)
 - c. [Stakeholder Workshops](#)
 - i. Paint Stewardship – March 3rd
 - ii. Grants 101- March 10th
 - iii. Recycling Disposal Reporting: SB 343/AB 881- March 20th
 - iv. Textile Stewardship – July 10th
 - d. Public Meeting – March 18th
5. CPSC Update
 - a. Informational Hearing on EPR -
<https://senv.senate.ca.gov/informationalhearings/2025-26-informational-oversight-hearings>
 - b. Textile Workshops are getting on the schedule. They plan to complete textile audits in the coming months.
 - c. Sponsoring 2 new bills
 - i. [AB 80](#) – Carpet Cleanup Bill – This spot bill plans amend definitions, take-back programs, backstepping, and annual report date
 - ii. [AB 762](#) – Ban on Single Use Vape Bill –This bill is looking at the device and the battery.
 - iii. [AB 864](#) – EPR for Solar
 - d. CPSC Policy Committee reviews bills in the industry monthly.
6. NSAC Update
 - a. [AB 333](#) – PFAS ban in Textile Product-Expanding exemption for law enforcement uniforms
 - b. [AB 405](#) – Regulation requires fashion sellers to conduct thorough environmental due diligence across their supply chains
 - c. [AB 473](#) – Regulation addresses recyclability claims
 - d. [AB 754](#)- Update for the Sharps bill
 - e. [AB 1304](#) – Update to paint regulations
 - f. [AB 1330](#)- Update to SB 54
 - g. [AB 1478](#) – Mattress Update
 - h. [SB 45](#)-Tethered Plastic Cap Bill
 - i. Standard in the EU
 - ii. Has seen minimal opposition so far
 - i. [SB 235](#) – Study for CalRecycle to determine how much precious and critical metals are already available in the market
 - j. NSAC Bills

- i. [SB 501](#)- Reintroduction of the HHW EPR Bill
 - ii. [SB 561](#) – Reintroduction of the Marine Flares EPR
 - k. [SB 615](#) – EV Battery EPR
 - l. [AB 337](#) – Expansion of the GHG grants to accommodate EFR Grant Funding
- 7. Wasting Fee Update
 - a. A non-partisan proposition. Sending support letters to stakeholders soon.
- 8. SB 1383 Rollout Roundtable – No comments
- 9. Other Regional Working Group Reports
 - a. Edible Food
 - i. County of San Diego – Discussed annual FRO visits and annual reporting. Clarified residential care facilities and how they do not qualify as commercial food generators.
 - b. HHW – No comments
 - c. Organics
 - i. County of San Diego – HF&H provided a presentation on AB 2346, which was an update on SB 1383 procurement. Awaiting CalRecycle Implementation guidance. In March, we will give a presentation about our Compost Voucher program for Farms. We are looking for cities to take our initial compost survey from UCCE to identify jurisdictional needs. Additionally, Republic is hosting a ribbon cutting for April 25th.
 - d. Reuse and Repair Network – No comments
- 10. Roundtable
 - a. County of San Diego – Looking for a pilot projects interested in recycled asphalt shingle pellets. Please contact Eric Wolff at Eric.Wolff@SDCounty.CA.gov if you are interested.
- 11. Adjournment- next meeting 3/25/2025