

Regional Recycling Working Group Meeting

Date: 08/25/2026

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

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Agenda

1) Introductions

Adil Syed, CalRecycle	Kenneth Prue III, City of Oceanside
Alexander Galasso, City of San Diego	Kim Silva, City of Escondido
Annabelle Jackson, Port of San Diego	Lee Mutter, City of El Cajon
Avecita Jones, City of Carlsbad	Leslie Webb Blanco, City of Vista
Caitlin Barboza, HF&H	Madeline Lascola-Hutcherson, Goodwill
Christian Olivas, City of Lemon Grove	Mallika Sen, Solana Center
Cynthia Mallett, WM	Michael Wonsidler, County of San Diego
Dana Laosiri, Republic Services	Nicole Grucky, City of Solana Beach
Daron Warkentin, City of San Diego	Ofelia Andrade, City of Coronado
Debbie Descans, WM	Paul Maechler, City of Encinitas
Diana Jamaledine, City of Solana Beach	Rosemarie Chora, City of Oceanside
Emily Schuetz, CalRecycle	Serena Lee, City of La Mesa
Fernando Moreno, City of Escondido	Stephen Mergener, Zero Waste San Diego
Gio Cortes, City of Escondido	Steve Weihe, County of San Diego
Heather Heckman, City of Santee	Tyla Soyulu, Hidden Resources
Heidi Sanborn, NSAC	Vivian Richter, County of San Diego
James H. Eggart, Woodruff & Smart	Wbaldo Arellano, City of Imperial Beach
Joanne Brasch, CPSC	

- 2) **Transcripts and AI Notetaking** - Transcriptions and AI Notetaking are allowed. If you are using such services, please consider that they are not perfect and confirm with the source before quoting anyone.
- 3) **Open Forum**
 - a) Solana Center
 - i) Will be presenting at CRRRA conference
 - ii) Webinars and Workshops shared: Educational events, backyard composting webinar, pollinator gardening session at the San Diego Botanic Garden, water-saving gardening practices workshop, and SB 1383 Inspector training
 - (1) <https://www.solanacenter.org/events>
- 4) **CalRecycle Update**
 - a) Emily Schuetz
 - i) Open grant cycles
 - (1) Rubberized pavement, illegal disposal abatement, legacy disposal site abatement, beverage container recycling, tire equipment, greenhouse gas reduction, recycling market development zone loans
 - (a) Full list provided in CalRecycle notes sent with summary
 - ii) Upcoming Meetings
 - (1) Sep 15th: Recycled content paper procurement chat
 - (2) Stakeholder workshops:
 - (a) Illegal dumping
 - (b) Propane cylinders
 - (c) Textile stewardship
 - (3) Sept 15th: next public meeting
 - (4) UCSD Zero Waste workshop
- 5) **NSAC Update**
 - a) Heidi Sanborn
 - i) Two cosponsored bills
 - (1) SB 936 & SB 501
 - (a) Passed with strong support
 - ii) Federal
 - (1) Court injunction on SB 343, affecting SB 54
 - iii) Tour
 - (1) Recent tour illustrated Texas' streamlined permitting guidelines
 - iv) Questions
 - (1) SB 54 and 343 court injunctions - where do they currently stand?
 - (a) There is not a unified front to oppose
- 6) **CPSC Update**
 - a) Joanne Brasch
 - i) SB 54

- (1) Letter from legislators signed, requesting a postponement for two years
 - (2) Comment period closed
- ii) AB 762
 - (1) Advancing with bipartisan support
- iii) AB 864
 - (1) Amended to focus on public workshops
- iv) AB 80, renamed to AB 904
 - (1) No opposition on record
- v) SB 1010
 - (1) Held in appropriations due to high cost estimates from DTSC
- vi) AB 2667
 - (1) Out of appropriations
- 7) **Waste to Worth Update**
 - a) No updates
- 8) **SB 1383 Roundtable**
 - a) Mallika Sen
 - i) From three different generators: compliance has slowed down
 - ii) Edible food recovery: two corporate retail chains pushing back on AB 660, “not in their corporate policy”
 - b) Alexander Galasso: would be more than happy to engage with larger corporate clients, reach out to with any concerns
- 9) **CRRA 2026 Conference Planning**
 - a) Coming up next week, 8/29-9/2
 - b) Magic Soil Bus
 - i) EV school bus coming in from Los Angeles, focused on compost
 - (1) 12-4 PM on Tuesday, September 1st
- 10) **Other Regional Working Group Reports**
 - a) Edible Food
 - i) No updates
 - b) HHW
 - i) Oil program grant manager visit went well
 - (1) Will be spreading information to other jurisdictions
 - c) Organics
 - i) Michael Wondsidler
 - (1) Sept 12th-Oct 24th: Compost Giveaways, Julia Gallaway to help promote
 - (a) Share updates to compost giveaway events to
Julia.galaway@sdcounty.ca.gov
 - (2) Compost Caravan
 - (a) 21st reception dinner, fundraiser and awareness
 - (b) 10/21-22 Compost Caravan in San Diego

(i) <https://www.healthysoil.org/events>

(ii) Call for Compost Champion nominations, due August 30th

d) Reuse and Repair Network

i) No updates

11) **Roundtable**

a) No updates

12) **Adjournment** - next meeting 09/22/2026.