



Never a Waste of Time: Talking Organic Waste Regulations

CEAC Spring Conference/Cal Cities Public Works Officers Institute

Mandatory Organic Waste Disposal Reduction Ordinance



- Require organic waste collection service for residents and businesses/property owners
- Establish self-hauler requirements
- Require large edible food generating businesses to recover/donate excess edible food
- Establish reporting requirements for edible food recovery organizations
- Establish enforcement procedures such as correction notices and penalties



Waste Collection



Residential

- All residential franchise and Garbage Disposal District (GDD) contracts amended to include organic waste collection
- Began implementation in GDDs
- Developing 4 new GDDs in open market areas



Commercial

- Transition to exclusive system franchise system
- 8 exclusive zones
- Effective by September 1, 2022



Senate Bill 619

- Authorized jurisdictions to submit a Notification of Intent to Comply (NOIC) and an adopted resolution to CalRecycle by March 1, 2022
- Because the GDDs will not be established until 2023, the County is submitting an NOIC for the Antelope Valley
- The Board adopted a resolution on February 8, 2022
- NOICs were required to include:
 - Justification for non-compliance
 - Impacts of COVID-19 (if any)
 - Actions and timeline for compliance



Organic Waste Policy for County Operations

- Requires County Operations to:
 - Subscribe to organic waste collection services, manage organic waste on-site, or self-haul organic waste
 - Donate edible food
 - Procure recovered organic waste products
 - Purchase paper with 30% minimum recycled content
 - Report on organic waste collection, edible food donation, and procurement
 - Update food service, landscaping, and procurement contracts to include these requirements



Capacity Planning

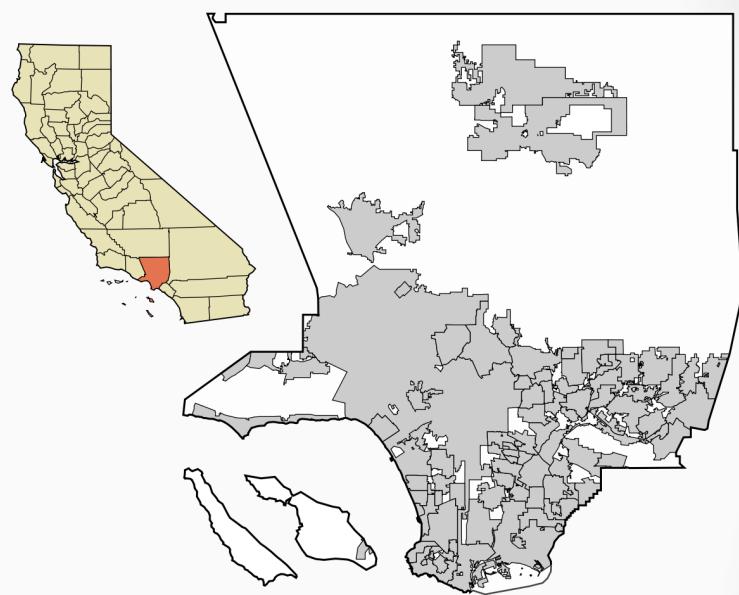


Organic Waste and Edible Food Processing Infrastructure

- Estimate existing organic waste and edible food disposal
- Identify existing capacity for organic waste processing and at food recovery organizations
- Estimate new/expanded capacity needed

Regional Collaboration

- Completed:
 - General SB 1383 workshops
 - Edible food recovery and capacity planning workshops
 - Outreach materials
 - Procedures for reporting capacity data
- Upcoming:
 - Additional workshops
 - Strategies for community outreach for new facilities



Types of Infrastructure Needed



Processing

Advanced MRFs
High Diversion MRFs

Organic Waste

Composting
Anaerobic Digestion
Co-Digestion
Chipping and Grinding

Residuals, Biomass, and Other Organic Waste

Thermal Conversion Technologies

Education and Outreach

- Cities – capacity planning workshops
- Residents – postcards, letters, website, annual community meetings, door-to-door drop offs of kitchen pails
- Businesses – flyers, website, community workshops, site visits
- County Operations – sample outreach, website, recycling coordinators





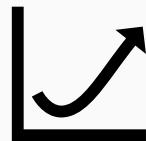
What to Expect?

Elected Officials

Residents &
Business Owners

Departmental

Barriers



It's going to take time, money, and effort!



Thank you



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