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10:00:27:Presenter: The broadcast is now starting. All attendees are in listen only mode.

10:00:42:Presenter: Good morning everyone. Thanks for joining us for the October public meeting. I'm Linda Mumma, a public information officer with Cal Recycle. If you haven't tuned in for a while, we've made some changes to the format to serve the public better with communication.

10:00:56:Presenter: That is accessible, inclusive and plain language as possible. Today's meeting will include a structured format with the goal of sending a context for the critical work that Calrecycle does that many of you do, and to make important announcements.

10:01:09:Presenter: We welcome your feedback as we continue to improve our public meetings. Before we get started this morning, a quick mention to those who wish to submit questions and comments on an agenda item to please send them to the public comments.

10:01:23:Presenter: Portal you can find the portal and the Calrecycle homepage from the top menu bar, select get involved and then public meeting and in the text near the bottom of the page, click public comment portal and then from the drop down menu.

10:01:36:Presenter: Select the first option. Monthly public meeting to type your name, email address, subject or agenda item. And then submit your question or comment. Please keep the agenda items specific to an brief and will address.

10:01:39:Presenter: Your comments during the public comment period. A little later this morning.

10:01:49:Presenter: Our first agenda item today is the Director's report Director Rachel Monkey. Wagner joins us now with some important updates morning, Rachel.

10:02:09:Presenter: Good morning, Linda, and thank you so much for kicking us off this morning. I just want to start by saying welcome to everybody. We are here in the October of 2021.

10:02:24:Presenter: Did Cal Recycle monthly meeting? I can't believe that we are already in October, but here we are. Yesterday Calrecycle deployed our contractors in 10 counties of Northern California to begin.

10:02:39:Presenter: Are debris removal operation from the Dixie and called or fires? I am incredibly proud of the calrecycle Cal OES partnership that allowed us to serve these victims of these disasters.

10:02:53:Presenter: Faster than we ever have before, but disasters and the ones that continue the fires that continue to burn in Southern California, are a reminder to us that our work on fighting climate change.

10:03:07:Presenter: Has just begun the good news is that the governor and the legislature have given us additional tools and new tools this year. As coward cycle embarks on strengthening our fight against climate change.

10:03:13:Presenter: And trash pollution in all of our programs across our agency.

10:03:27:Presenter: We are very proud to say that we are beginning our implementation of legislation that was just signed last week or the week before. As the governor finished his.

10:03:40:Presenter: Bill signing activities in early October. Some of that legislation will be highlighted for you here in a video. Just a second, but I wanted to note that in addition to the legislation, the legislature and governor.

10:03:54:Presenter: Provided 270 million additional dollars as resources to help power cycle in our fight against climate change and our ever growing endeavor to build a circular economy here in the state of California.

10:04:03:Presenter: And together the legislation and that budget appropriation will provide us the necessary resources to get stronger and stronger in our fight.

10:04:18:Presenter: One of those pieces of legislation is SB619. As those of you who represent local jurisdictions or who work in composting organic waste 619 provided.

10:04:32:Presenter: And a tool to help local jurisdictions come into compliance with SB1383. As many of who participated in the legislative process, there was a very robust conversation.

10:04:45:Presenter: About implementation of 1383 and I want to say thanks. Senator Laird, for his leadership in authoring SB619, which really provides an opportunity for us to work together with those local jurisdictions.

10:04:58:Presenter: That will not necessarily be in full compliance in January, but that are making their best effort to get into compliance and to work with the department to get into compliance as quickly as possible, he will.

10:05:12:Presenter: We would like to encourage our partners and local jurisdictions who want to know more about 619 or would like to participate in the 619 process to reach out to our 1383.

10:05:26:Presenter: Program staff to talk about what that is going to look like, and we are embarking in the implementation of that legislation as we speak. Additionally, I just want to highlight that in the many resources that we were.

10:05:39:Presenter: Given that \$270 million that was appropriated to Cal Recycle our grant and load staff are working very, very diligently right now to develop the criteria for new pilot projects.

10:05:53:Presenter: Or new organics and recovery programs and four new circular economy programs in our MDZ loan program. So we also want to encourage you to stand by. We are coming out with.

10:06:06:Presenter: New criteria and new grant opportunities in the coming months and as those programs are online, we will be announcing them on our listeners on our website and here in the public.

10:06:17:Presenter: Meeting and we really look forward to engaging with all of you in making those dollars really serve the state of California and our mission to become a stronger California.

10:06:31:Presenter: So with that I want to turn to the video that our office of Public Affairs has put together that really highlights the legislation that the legislature and governor.

10:06:32:Presenter: A pass this year.

10:06:46:Presenter: Taking historic action, fight, trash pollution and the climate crisis, Governor Gavin Newsom signed seven new laws to build a more renewable circular economy.

10:07:00:Presenter: In California, Senate Bill 343 bans the use of the chasing arrows recycling symbol on products unless 60% of California communities recycle the materials. The law is a critical first step.

10:07:14:Presenter: Racing, recycling and transparency in recycling labeling by clearly identifying what and isn't recyclable. To help Californians make informed decisions. When purchasing products and to encourage manufacturers.

10:07:18:Presenter: To design products with materials that can be used again.

10:07:32:Presenter: Another labeling law assembly Bill 12/1 creates stricter standards to label products as compostable. The purpose of the law is to reduce contamination in compost and help Californians know what.

10:07:46:Presenter: Is and isn't compostable. Senate Bill 619 creates a process for California communities to work with Cal, Recycle to make necessary changes to meet the goals of California's groundbreaking organic waste.

10:07:59:Presenter: Production law, which takes effect on January 1st Assembly Bill 881, sets tougher standards for communities exporting mixed plastic waste to meet the state's waste reduction.

10:08:12:Presenter: And recycling requirements. The intent of this law is to increase transparency about which materials actually get recycled when shipped to another country. Assembly Bill 1276 reduces.

10:08:25:Presenter: Trash pollution by requiring businesses to only provide single use food utensils and condiment packets. When customers specifically asked for them, the law is designed to reduce the use of disposable products.

10:08:38:Presenter: We have significantly increased during the COVID-19 pandemic assembly. Bill 1311 allows certified beverage container recycling centers to add a new contact list recycling method.

10:08:50:Presenter: And to operate with more flexible hours, the idea is to create more versatility in operating recycling centers and to increase access to CRV redemption across the state.

10:09:04:Presenter: And lastly, Assembly Bill 962 encourages reuse and beverage container recycling program by allowing CRV beverage containers to be washed and refilled. These new laws use innovation to help reduce.

10:09:17:Presenter: Trash filling our landfills and ocean and to cut climate pollutants with these actions, California is transforming our recycling systems and is leading the way to a more circular economy that promotes reuse.

10:09:19:Presenter: And remanufacturing

10:09:42:Presenter: Rachel, you are. There's your. There's your microphone. There we go. So sorry, thank you Linda. And the entire OPA team for that. Great video that really highlights what we have coming at us at Cal Recycle.

10:09:56:Presenter: As you can see, we have our work cut out for us. There is a real need in California to build in greater transparency and accountability into our recycling systems and to really strengthen our laws and our programs.

10:10:09:Presenter: Around reuse and recycling and the legislature has given us that responsibility and that authority to help the state of California achieved that goal. And in order to really, truly achieve the goal.

10:10:23:Presenter: Of the strongest possible circular economy here in the state of California. These pieces of legislation set the foundation for that, and Calvin cycle is up for the challenge and the first and foremost thing that we did.

10:10:36:Presenter: In recognition of our ever growing responsibility and authority and privilege to serve the state of California is CALRECYCLE has developed and is posting today.

10:10:50:Presenter: A brand new mission statement. I am so incredibly proud of this mission statement because it's one truly reflects who we are as calrecycle and what our mission is in serving the state of California. But two because this mission statement.

10:11:03:Presenter: Was developed by the staff here at Calvin Cycle and the employees of Calrecycle who truly, truly have come to see their job as helping save the planet from climate change and trash pollution.

10:11:17:Presenter: And moving forward to a stronger California through a circular economy, so I will it is posted here. As you can see, but I will read it because I'm so incredibly excited about this calrecycle's mission statement.

10:11:31:Presenter: Is to is protecting California's environment and climate for the health and prosperity of future generations. Through the reduction, reuse and recycling of California resources. Environmental education.

10:11:45:Presenter: Disaster recovery and the transition from to a fully circular economy. We have taken on this mission and we are very excited to work with you. Our stakeholders are community members.

10:11:56:Presenter: The legislature and the governor to achieve this mission for the betterment of California. So thank you so much and I look forward to working with you in the coming year.

10:12:12:Presenter: Thank you so much Rachel. For all of those important update now to an update on Wildfire recovery efforts. Debris removal is now complete on over 3800 homes destroyed by the record climate fueled wildfires.

10:12:25:Presenter: Of 2020 with another 2,000,000 acres and 1600 homes destroyed by the fire so far this year, work is now underway to help survivors of the 2021 wildfires recover and also.

10:12:28:Presenter: Rebuild, take a look at this short video.

10:12:42:Presenter: You look around here and it's a whole towns gone just weeks after the Dixie Fire tore through the gold Rush community of Greenville recovery crews from the Department of Toxic Substances Control.

10:12:55:Presenter: US Environmental Protection Agency and Calrecycle managed assessment crews hit the ground, removing the most immediate threats from family homes. Left in Ashes and launching a state managed cleanup.

10:13:08:Presenter: Effort more quickly and efficiently than ever before. To help wildfire survivors rebuild their homes and restore their lives. So we just want the residents here to know that we are here for them.

10:13:22:Presenter: From start to finish, the nearly one million acre Dixie Fire is the second largest in California history. In 2021, it was just one of many large scale wildfires that.

10:13:35:Presenter: Burned through more than a dozen California counties destroying over 1600 homes and more than 2.2 million acres to date. A rarity just a few decades ago. Climate fueled wildfires.

10:13:48:Presenter: Are California's new normal with six of the ten largest wildfires in state history happening since 2020. Cal Recycle is part of the California one team one fight that helps communities.

10:14:02:Presenter: Recover coordinating with local, state and federal partners. Calrecycle managed crews removed burned metal concrete contaminated soil in ash from burned properties at no cost to wildfires.

10:14:15:Presenter: Survivors who joined the state program are very important role under our mission task is to come in and help communities remove all of the debris like you see behind us. In order for them to rebuild in 2000.

10:14:29:Presenter: Seven the state first called on Cal Recycle to help manage and El Dorado County wildfire cleanup before contaminated runoff could reach Lake Tahoe. Since then, Calrecycle has led the cleanup of over 21,000 properties.

10:14:42:Presenter: Across 28 counties, the department works with its state federal and local partners each year to make the program more efficient and more effective at tackling larger, more frequent cleanups.

10:14:55:Presenter: With a sole focus on helping wildfire survivors recover and rebuild, I know we all give staff a hard time government and all that, but they are doing an excellent job of cleaning out that there is light at the end of the tunnel.

10:15:08:Presenter: As they get ready to rebuild their lives and rebuild their community, California and Calvin cycle is here for them. This is the one little area, the one little window that we will always look back with a little bit of a smile because.

10:15:19:Presenter: Of these guys and their crews that were very professional and very capable, but they were also very human and always remember that.

10:15:21:Presenter: And always appreciate that.

10:15:34:Presenter: And deputy director Tina Walker joins us now with an update on where Calrecycle managed recovery operations stand right now. Good morning tina.

10:15:50:Presenter: Good morning, well Steve wide disaster debris recovery operations continue summer transitioning to end of mission activities and some have just begun the camp Fire Hazard Tree removal operation will conclude by the end of this month.

10:16:03:Presenter: With over 8521 parcels cleared of over 97,000 fire damaged hazard trees, the 2020 statewide disaster debris removal operation are most.

10:16:16:Presenter: Geographically expansive mission is coming to an end as well. Structural debris removal completed this month in London Bay branch, demobilized last month, and our Southern branch operations will conclude November.

10:16:25:Presenter: First North Branch operations will continue for a bit longer and the end of Mission target for that operation is December 31st of this year.

10:16:39:Presenter: As director Maki Wagner mentioned mentioned, our new mission in response to the Dixie Caldor fire effectively began last month with parcel assessment and asbestos abatement and structural debris in Hazard Tree.

10:16:52:Presenter: Removal crews are now in the field and will begin the structural debris removal next week. Our end of Mission target for gross debris removal for this operation spanning 10 counties across two operational divisions.

10:16:55:Presenter: Is the end of January 2022.

10:17:11:Presenter: Thank you so much for those updates, Tina. The next item on our agenda this morning is the beverage container recycling program that Californians recycled 8.2 billion beverage containers in the first half of 2021. That's about.

10:17:24:Presenter: 650 million more bottles and cans compared to the same time in 2020, Deputy director Amy Cameron is here to break down the numbers for us this morning. Good morning amy. Good morning.

10:17:25:Presenter: Thank you Linda.

10:17:29:Presenter: Right, I think we have a slide showing up.

10:17:40:Presenter: Thank you the new numbers on the CRV, beverage container sales and recycling will be published in the department's biannual report on November 8th.

10:17:54:Presenter: From January to June, Californians 12.4 billion beverages and recycled 8.9 billion containers, giving the state a 72%.

10:18:08:Presenter: Rate for the first half of 2021. That's a 1% increase in the recycling rate compared to the same period in 2020, while recycling actually increased an incredible 8%.

10:18:19:Presenter: Over 2020 numbers sales in the first half of 21 also increased by 6%, leaving the overall increase in the recycling rate at 1%.

10:18:33:Presenter: You can also see the breakdown by the most prominent material types. This slide linked with today's agenda. If you'd like to take a closer look and again will publish the full BI annual report on November 8th.

10:18:45:Presenter: Now to an update on beverage container recycling program, certifications and registration. We saw a slight increase in the number of search convenient zone statewide.

10:18:59:Presenter: These are areas near a major city RV retailer that now have access to convenient redemption options. This can be attributed to the certified recycling centers as well as the operational pilot projects.

10:19:03:Presenter: In San Francisco, San Mateo County, Culver City and Irvine.

10:19:19:Presenter: We also saw an increase in handling fee payments made to recyclers inconvenient zones and pilot project recyclers. The number of claims paid is fairly consistent, although the average monthly amount.

10:19:20:Presenter: Her claim has increased.

10:19:30:Presenter: The number of beverage distributors has stayed fairly consistent over the past year. While there has been a small increase in manufacturers.

10:19:46:Presenter: The virtual pre certification classes continue to be a successful way to serve recycling center and processor applicants. The certification and registrations for recycling.

10:19:51:Presenter: Programs has stayed fairly consistent with a slight drop in community service programs.

10:20:05:Presenter: This drop may be attributed to those programs that have community events like harvest festivals where they collect and recycle their beverage containers, or schools who use beverage container recycling drives as fundraisers.

10:20:11:Presenter: With Covid, many of these groups haven't held group events or done these types of fundraisers.

10:20:24:Presenter: If you miss her most recent beverage container recycling pilot project Webinar held September 29th, the recording is available on our website.

10:20:38:Presenter: I encourage you to watch it and contact staff for opportunities to sign up for our pilot project information. Additionally, I would like to let you know that we are working on updating the pilot project regulations.

10:20:43:Presenter: Please subscribe to our listserv. To be kept up to date on this important information.

10:20:55:Presenter: At the September public meeting, we announced an adjustment for the 2021 calendar year quarter for processing payments.

10:21:09:Presenter: We heard from many stakeholders about the challenges associated with the adjustments due to conditions in California such as kovid and wildfires. Thank you to those that reached out and considering those challenges.

10:21:19:Presenter: We maintained the same payments this quarter and we will next to Justin January as required by the Statute.

10:21:22:Presenter: Thank you all for participating.

10:21:38:Presenter: Thanks so much Amy. And now onto our grants and loans approved beverage container pilot projects are eligible for grant funding to help cover implementation costs. Deputy director Matt Hennigan joins us now with the.

10:21:53:Presenter: Latest award from our redemption pilot Project Grant program. Good morning Matt. Good morning Linda. Thank you. The goal of the beverage Container Pilot program is to increase redemption of eligible beverage containers.

10:22:07:Presenter: Underserved convenient zones. Through innovative projects to provide convenient redemption opportunities for consumers today, we are announcing a \$1,000,000 award to zero waste Sonoma, which is JPA.

10:22:11:Presenter: In Sonoma County and their pilot project recycler, the United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay.

10:22:23:Presenter: Uhm, this is the fifth pilot project to be awarded grant funding to help communities local redemption challenges, high rate, high rents and neighborhood resistance to recycling center businesses.

10:22:38:Presenter: The United Cerebral Palsy Association of the North Bay will receive \$950,000 to design, install and maintain stationary CRV recycling kiosks that they're calling many recycling centers.

10:22:52:Presenter: Each mini recycling center will have a certified scale weight reader, printers and storage bins to process CRV material. The system will allow customers to drop off bags of CRV materials and receives synchronous.

10:23:01:Presenter: Payments on a debit card or account credits or even donate the funds to nonprofits of their choice.

10:23:14:Presenter: Zero waste. Sonoma will receive the remaining \$50,000 to administer the education and outreach portion of the project, which includes advertising campaigns, signage, website updates and dedicated.

10:23:27:Presenter: Outreach to beverage retailers. This award has been approved based on the recommendation of program staff and so congratulations, 0 waste Sonoma and the people who sit on the county on this innovative project.

10:23:41:Presenter: Uhm, our next grants are in the tight waist. Higher arena homme. Our tier programs help safely manage 51 million tires every year and so please.

10:23:47:Presenter: To join this quick video about how California began turning a problem material into a resource for new businesses.

10:24:01:Presenter: California produces more than 51 million waves tires a year, up until a few decades ago, piles of illegally dumped tires polluted our state, sometimes catching.

10:24:14:Presenter: Fire burning deep inside the pile because tires have such a low conductivity once attire gets hot enough to burn, it's actually pretty hard to cool down in 1998 and employee clearing weeds at a property illegally storing about.

10:24:28:Presenter: One million tires in San Joaquin County sparked one of the largest tire fires in our nation's history. Large plumes of toxic black smoke from the Tracy Tire Fire released dangerous chemicals like cyanide.

10:24:41:Presenter: In carbon monoxide, while it burned for more than two years, it was really a wake up call for California that something had to be done. After several more massive tire fires, California turned to waste tire management and.

10:24:44:Presenter: Recycling.

10:24:57:Presenter: Strengthening the decade old Tire Recycling Act in 2000 to put Waze tires to better use calrecycle's role is to find new ways to recycle tires to prevent them from being either illegally dumped or thrown into the Landship

10:25:10:Presenter: tracks. The storage and movement of used tires and supports recycling and market development to encourage the use of products made from recycled tires. Carry cycle promotes lots of tired.

10:25:23:Presenter: Bright products, but we have a pretty extensive catalog online that shows everything that I waste. Tire can become calrecycle higher incentive program provides financial incentives to eligible manufacturers.

10:25:37:Presenter: That make new products from old tires. Two of the products that my team promotes include rubberized asphalt concrete and tire derived aggregate TDI used. His vibration mitigation under light rail.

10:25:50:Presenter: Has saved the state millions of dollars while it absorbs sound and allows for a smoother ride through neighborhoods. When you used TDI, you're actually solving engineering problems. Rubberized asphalt concrete blends. Recycled tires.

10:26:03:Presenter: Asphalt to create a more cost effective, durable and environmentally friendly alternative to traditional paving materials. Other tire derived products use ground up recycled tires mixed with other materials.

10:26:17:Presenter: To create products like flooring, roofing, traffic control devices and pathways in a lot of ways, waste tire products outperformed conventional materials. But using tires can often save money as well. In 2019, these innovative solutions.

10:26:31:Presenter: Help California recycle more than 19 million waste tires or about 37% into new recycled products, California has made great strides in finding better uses for tires. But with 42% or 21.

10:26:44:Presenter: And a half million tires being burned for tire derived fuel either within the state or shipped overseas primarily to Asia and more than 9 million tires still buried in landfills every year. We still have a lot of work.

10:26:47:Presenter: There's more work on the road ahead.

10:26:53:Presenter: Thank you Linda.

10:27:07:Presenter: I love that video so any chance I get to watch it? That's great so thank you again for that one of the programs discussed in that video is our tier incentive.

10:27:21:Presenter: Program grants tonight. Today, we're announcing \$2.2 million in grant awards to six California businesses in this tier incentive program. The award ES used recycled tires, too.

10:27:35:Presenter: Manufacturer things roofing materials, traffic cones, signage bases accident accessibility ramps sport flooring and flooring underlayment the program provides incentives.

10:27:49:Presenter: Incentive payments based on kind of a per pound basis to businesses that use crumb rubber or other recycling tire derived materials from waste tires in products as a substitute.

10:28:02:Presenter: For virgin rubber plastic or other raw materials, the award ES are set to turn 22 million pounds of old tires into valuable new products, and that is the equivalent of.

10:28:12:Presenter: Keeping at 1.8 million tires out of our landfills. So thank you to the six companies listed here for participating in our program and.

10:28:21:Presenter: And yeah, that that's a great program. And keeping keeping manufacturing jobs here in California as well.

10:28:35:Presenter: Now the second award is \$350,000 in our tire derived aggregate grant program and this is for a mitigation of vibration mitigation project. Just the one you saw in the.

10:28:48:Presenter: Video on the Metro Gold line in Los Angeles. The Metro Gold Line will run through the cities of Glendora San Dimas Laverne, and out to Pomona. The Metro gold line.

10:29:02:Presenter: Foothill Extension Construction Authority anticipates using 6700 tons of tire derived aggregate material in the construction of this line, which equates to 670,000 passenger tires equivalent.

10:29:02:Presenter: Come.

10:29:17:Presenter: To date, RTD a program has kept 43,000 tons of waste tires out of landfills by promoting TDI as a cost effective alternative to other aggregate type materials.

10:29:30:Presenter: In solving civil engineering challenges in projects come from storm water Infiltration Gallery's landslide, roadway repair even landfill gas recovery.

10:29:43:Presenter: Systems that is a great application for TDI and I want to mention this is a \$350,000 grant. We allocated \$650,000 for TDI grants.

10:29:56:Presenter: In the waste in the five year tire plant. So if you are a local government representative watching right now or your local government is pursuing projects, stormwater, water infiltration.

10:30:06:Presenter: Or landslide repair light rail things like that. Please get in touch with counter cycle to find out more about the TDA grant program.

10:30:20:Presenter: Uhm, we are also offer technical assistance to help with the design of these projects. And finally I want to give a quick reminder that other funding is coming available. Our farm and ranch solid waste cleanup.

10:30:34:Presenter: And a great abatement grant program. Applications are due November 18th. These are available to local governments, conservation districts, Native American tribes, and help.

10:30:47:Presenter: Clean up illegal dumping that is on a variety of types of agricultural lands. If you have a question about whether your particular cleanup site qualifies, please give us a call and we are.

10:31:01:Presenter: Just now releasing applications for our beverage container recycling, we called the city County Payment program. Cities and counties can use this funding to help boost beverage container recycling in their communities and the costs.

10:31:13:Presenter: For implementing curbside beverage container recycling, placing public recycling bins, starting drop off beverage container recycling programs. All that is eligible outreach and education activities even clean up.

10:31:27:Presenter: Projects of littered beverage containers are eligible for funding and a relatively new eligible activity is the installation of public water refill stations, so every jurisdiction.

10:31:41:Presenter: Should apply most do but not all. So again, if you're a local government representative, please make sure your application is in by January 18th for that funding source.

10:31:54:Presenter: I also want to mention that the newly adopted California state budget allocated \$3 million for funding to support new and expanded edible food recovery and food waste prevention projects.

10:32:07:Presenter: We hope to have an application available within the next month, likely before our next public meeting, so please sign up for our greenhouse gas reduction program listserv to get the announcement.

10:32:10:Presenter: The one that application is available.

10:32:13:Presenter: To take advantage of that.

10:32:27:Presenter: Her last announcement from our division is that counter cycle is going to be holding a public hearing this Thursday, October 21st, on actions to make permanent the emergency regulations.

10:32:40:Presenter: Currently in place concerning the structure for covered electronic waste recycling payment rates, the emergency regulations that are currently in place split the single payment rate.

10:32:53:Presenter: That's paid to recyclers into two separate payment rates, one for the older cathode ray TV's and another for non cathode ray displays flat screens.

10:33:07:Presenter: The laptops these two different rates are needed because non cathode ray devices contain lower value materials, but they're harder to dismantle and so processing costs are higher calorie cycle initiated.

10:33:19:Presenter: 45 day comment period on September 3rd. Thursdays virtual hearing so online starts at 10:00 AM. You can participate through an interactive web and R, or just Tunein to watch the webcast.

10:33:33:Presenter: If you want to make oral comments, please register for the webinar ahead of time and join that way and the close of the written comment period is October 25th, so thank you for the stakeholders being engaged on those.

10:33:36:Presenter: In grades and come back to you, Linda.

10:33:51:Presenter: Thank you so much Matt. You had a long list to this month, so thank you for those updates. As a reminder, if you'd like to submit a question or a comment on an agenda item to, please do so through the public comments portal. You can see the instructions there on your screen.

10:34:04:Presenter: From the Cal Cycle homepage, select public meeting in the text, click on public meeting portal and then in the drop down menu, select monthly public meeting and make sure to include your name, your email address and subject or agenda item and also please.

10:34:15:Presenter: Keep your submission brief and to make sure to indicate which agenda item you are addressing so that calrecycle can direct them to the correct person during the public comment period. Coming up just a little bit later.

10:34:28:Presenter: Moving on to Senate Bill 1383 implementation, it's the biggest change to trash. Since California started recycling in the 1980s. In just eleven weeks, Senate bill 1383's organics recycling.

10:34:38:Presenter: And sir, plus food recovery requirements take effect statewide. Deputy director Zoe Heller joins us now, with some exciting progress to share with us this morning.

10:34:40:Presenter: Good morning, Zoe.

10:34:54:Presenter: Good morning Linda Republic services just unveiled their new six acre entirely solar powered compost facility at Otay Landfill in San Diego County. Take a look at how this new infrastructure is helping more jurisdictions.

10:34:59:Presenter: Cut climate pollution and support a cleaner, more circular economy for their residents.

10:35:01:Presenter: Yeah.

10:35:15:Presenter: So today we are here at the grand opening of the outside compost facility to the first one of its kind, where it's entirely run on solar power. But it's really a compost facility off the grid, which is.

10:35:29:Presenter: Totally cool by the end of the year. Will have 200 tons per day capacity for greenways and green waste mixed with food waste, so this facility will be critically important to the region's infrastructure for processing organic materials.

10:35:42:Presenter: We knew that we have to comply with SB 1383, so coordination will Republic started years ago when organic ways gets just buried in a landfill. It creates methane, very harmful greenhouse gas. Finally a good solution.

10:35:55:Presenter: For it, creating compost which will help sequester carbon and improve the soil health, it's again incredibly important for us to help them to comply with the 1383 requirements. All of their food waste and green waste is going to be coming to.

10:36:08:Presenter: This facility so this is just a snapshot of what came in this morning. It gets ground that as we add all the feedstock on top but the cover over it. The covers are keeping the water out, but it's also keeping the moisture.

10:36:22:Presenter: As well as the odors in, I could look on. Here is the air on. Is it off? What's the accident? What's the temperature in that pile? All of that helps speed up the compost process, and instead of those harmful materials being placed into landfill.

10:36:35:Presenter: They actually will be turned into valuable products that help increase our climate resilience by adding compost and mulch to the soil, we increase its ability to hold water so soil temperatures will be buffered and all.

10:36:49:Presenter: Also provide that soil fertility that we need across California, because unfortunately some of the fires, the catastrophes the droughts. I think more and more people are understanding.

10:37:02:Presenter: Climate change is, and I think now with facilities. This people me and you and everyone in California can actually do something about. It is a team effort. It takes a village to do this. All of this.

10:37:15:Presenter: City Council meetings and board of supervisor meetings. We've been at you. It's been really powerful to hear elected officials really understanding and committing to addressing climate change. In this way, recycling.

10:37:29:Presenter: Organic waste into new products is a fast track to combating climate change. Republic services has been a leader in managing organic waste for bringing organic products. Kind of out of the way stream.

10:37:42:Presenter: Into a circular recyclable waste stream is really important to us. This facility and program will help create green high tech jobs in our community. This is a circular comma we take from the material food waste over here.

10:37:56:Presenter: Being made into to soil and other products that then can go back into our economy. That's what being circular is all about. I'm already thinking through an expansion, so there's many new facilities that are being proposed.

10:38:08:Presenter: And that are going through the permitting process, and we're looking forward to more facilities coming online soon. Now by recycling organic waste paper, cardboard, food waste, green ways we can have an immediate.

10:38:20:Presenter: Impact on battling climate change, and I think that's really empowering and to know that I can actually do something about it and I can actually realize the benefits of it in my lifetime.

10:38:37:Presenter: Such a great video and an indication of all of the organic waste infrastructure processing that's to come in California. Very exciting.

10:38:50:Presenter: Rachel touched on the passage of SB619, which provides jurisdictions an opportunity to submit a notice of intent to comply with SB1383 to CALRECYCLE. We're working on developing resources for local jurisdictions, so please.

10:38:53:Presenter: Make sure you're signed up for the SLCP listserv.

10:39:07:Presenter: As a reminder, we have information on capacity planning in for infrastructure funding in a breakdown of SB 1383. Requirements on our short lived climate pollutant page. Please continue to reach out to Cal recycle for any technical assistance.

10:39:11:Presenter: Regarding SB, 1383 were available for meetings and presentations.

10:39:27:Presenter: Fantastic thank you so much Zoe meeting California's climate and waste reduction goals would not be possible without the hard work of our cities in our counties there responsible for implementing the local programs to use less.

10:39:41:Presenter: Recycle more and meet state environmental protection standards. Power cycle is responsible for overseeing how well jurisdictions are implementing these programs. Staff does this by conducting site visits, analyzing documentation.

10:39:54:Presenter: And through reviews of jurisdictions, annual reports which include disposal information and self assessments of their programs. Calrecycle conducts more intensive jurisdictional reviews every two or four years, depending on the jurisdiction.

10:40:07:Presenter: Task performance the department also has the authority to conduct anytime reviews to make sure that cities and counties are in compliance with mandatory commercial recycling and mandatory commercial organics recycling requirements.

10:40:20:Presenter: If local jurisdictions failed to meet state requirements and don't take the necessary steps to get there, the local assistance and market development branch may refer them to cover cycles, jurisdictional jurisdictional compliance unit.

10:40:27:Presenter: For further investigation, Deputy director Mark to be joins us now with some important updates this morning.

10:40:29:Presenter: Good morning mark.

10:40:33:Presenter: Good morning, Linda. Thank you.

10:40:48:Presenter: Yeah I have a good message to send out relative to what one jurisdiction has been able to accomplish through that process that you described them today. I have a jurisdiction.

10:40:50:Presenter: Compliance item for consideration.

10:41:04:Presenter: Uhm, you mentioned the jurisdiction compliance unit. They are recommending that the city of Oxnard has completed the terms of a compliance order and the city is.

10:41:17:Presenter: Through this process, is able to come off of that order if it's deemed approved appropriate. Usually we do a public hearing and that has been waived by the city at this time.

10:41:31:Presenter: During the 2018 compliance evaluation, the department found that the city did not adequately implement its mandatory commercial recycling or the MCR program, and therefore a compliance order was.

10:41:32:Presenter: Issued to the city.

10:41:37:Presenter: Since the issuance of the compliance order, the city completed the following.

10:41:46:Presenter: Developed the process to identify the businesses and the multi family complexes that are required to participate in the program.

10:41:54:Presenter: Developed a system to monitor these businesses and multi family complexes. Compliance with the program.

10:42:07:Presenter: Perform site visits and made phone calls to non compliant businesses and multi family complexes and the city has committed to continue those efforts.

10:42:17:Presenter: The city also developed education and outreach materials, including mailings. The city website updates and provide helpful digital applications or apps.

10:42:30:Presenter: In addition to these efforts, the city has drafted a mandatory commercial recycling ordinance that is scheduled to be considered by the Oxford City Council by the end of the year.

10:42:45:Presenter: During that time, the compliance order has been in place. The city documented an increase in business and multi family complexes. Compliance with the MCR requirements, the reported businesses.

10:42:58:Presenter: Compliance rate is now at 49.6%, nearly 50%, and the multifamily complex compliance is at 32.2% these increased.

10:43:04:Presenter: Clients rates have resulted in an increase amount of recyclables removed from the waste stream.

10:43:13:Presenter: Staffs report and supporting documentation are posted on our website and they can be found using the link in the meeting agenda.

10:43:26:Presenter: So based on my review of the staff report and the supporting documentation, I find that the city of Oxnard has fully complied with the compliance order.

10:43:39:Presenter: The city will be taken off the order. MBB referred back to local assistance in market development. Staff for continued support and monitoring. Congratulations to the city on their success.

10:43:49:Presenter: Before I talk about Calrecycle's actions regarding permits, let's take a look at this quick video on how California facility standards.

10:43:51:Presenter: Help keep our community safe.

10:44:06:Presenter: Protecting the health of Californians and their land. Food, water, and air is a big job. Local, state and federal agencies played different roles to enforce public health and environmental safety standards.

10:44:19:Presenter: In California, solid waste local enforcement agencies process applications issue and enforce permits for solid waste facilities. These include landfills, transfer stations, compost facilities.

10:44:34:Presenter: Or similar operations. Calrecycle must verify permits or consistent with state requirements. Permits can only address areas within the authority of local enforcement agencies and calrecycle.

10:44:45:Presenter: Check out link below for more detailed information. Emergency waivers allow temporary changes to solid waste permit requirements in response to local or state disasters. Local enforcement agencies may approve.

10:44:59:Presenter: The waivers, which are good for up to 120 days and maybe extended calrecycle, must review approved waivers and condition limit, suspend or terminate them. Check out link for more detailed.

10:45:12:Presenter: Information for ways tier facilities, calrecycle processes, applications issues, and enforces waste tire permits. These include requirements to make sure tires are stored and processed in a way.

10:45:20:Presenter: That reduces potential threats from fire and disease. Carrying vectors like mosquitoes. Check out the link for more detailed information.

10:45:35:Presenter: Mark Real quickly if you could unmute your mic.

10:45:36:Presenter: Will be able to hear you perfect.

10:45:52:Presenter: Not quite, but there's a small panel on the top left.

10:45:56:Presenter: OK, you do. You don't have it at this time.

10:46:01:Presenter: OK, no problem. I can pick up for you.

10:46:15:Presenter: There baby, I was clicking too fast at it. I'm sorry. No problem. Alright you can hear me now yes great. Alright? So I was saying that I was wanting to run through.

10:46:23:Presenter: And update of where staff are relative to the various solid waste facility and tire permits at this time.

10:46:37:Presenter: Soum continued from last meeting. The department did actually concur on a revised. All the waste facility permit for the Shafter Wasco recycling.

10:46:42:Presenter: And sanitary landfill and concurrence happened on September 29th of this year.

10:46:52:Presenter: Uhm, the landfill is located at seventeen 621 Schofield Ave, Shafter in Kern County.

10:46:56:Presenter: We also have an item on the agenda that.

10:47:09:Presenter: Was there in the last month and that's the Badlands Sanitary landfill. We received a request from the local enforcement agency to report return that permit.

10:47:22:Presenter: To them because they wanted to work with the operator on some compliance concerns. So that is not currently with CALRECYCLE for action at this time. That was a modified permit.

10:47:29:Presenter: Again, for the Badlands sanitary landfill, but we do not have it in House at this time.

10:47:42:Presenter: Continuing on the item and still needing a for action is the Modesto compost facility located at 7001 Jennings Rd Modesto.

10:47:43:Presenter: Come.

10:47:57:Presenter: In Stanislaus County and some modified permit of or the compost facility there in Modesto. New to the agenda is the universal.

10:48:10:Presenter: Waste Systems inc. Material recovery facility and Transfer station located at 9016 Norwalk Blvd, Santa Fe Springs, CA and that's in Los Angeles County. It's a revised.

10:48:20:Presenter: Solid waste facility permit and power cycle needs to take action on this permit no later than November 23rd.

10:48:34:Presenter: Our initial review of the application package indicates that the requested changes increase the increase in the acreage from 3.81 acres to 4.33 acres.

10:48:47:Presenter: There is a an update to the site address and their incorporating updates to the technical document referred to as the transfer processing report, and I'll highlight that the changes do not.

10:48:53:Presenter: And increase in tonnage or in hours of operation.

10:49:06:Presenter: We have several permits that were received after the agenda was posted, and so I'll quickly run through those. They will eventually appear on the agenda if we have not taken action of before next month.

10:49:18:Presenter: The first is El Nido Central Valley compost facility. It's located at 13757 S Harmon Road in El Nido.

10:49:30:Presenter: That's in Merced County. It's a revised solid waste facility permit and power cycle needs to take action on that permit no later than November 30th.

10:49:39:Presenter: The initial review indicates that there will be an increase in daily tonnage for this site from 355 tons to 500 tons per day.

10:49:53:Presenter: Yep, the changes that are being requested will also allow up to 10,000 wet tons of class A or B biosolids at anyone time between the.

10:49:57:Presenter: Dates of January 1 to June 30th.

10:50:12:Presenter: Uhm, there will be changes in the permit conviction. Can conditions scuse me that will reflect specifically how those biosolids shall be stored and handled, and that will also.

10:50:20:Presenter: Include an update to other aspects of the technical document. The composting site information document.

10:50:36:Presenter: We also recently received a proposed permit from the East Lake or for the East Lake Sanitary Landfill, and that's located at 16015 Davis Ave in Clear Lake.

10:50:43:Presenter: Nuts in Lake County. It's a revised solid waste facility permit and we need to take action no later than December 11th.

10:50:56:Presenter: Our review indicates that there is a to increase the permitted disposal area from 31 acres to 56 1/2 acres.

10:51:09:Presenter: There's also a request to increase the design capacity for disposal from 6 million cubic yards to 7 million 930,000 cubic yards, and that will.

10:51:20:Presenter: Change the estimated closure year from an estimate of closing in 2027 to now. The estimate would be 2043.

10:51:22:Presenter: And.

10:51:27:Presenter: Just this week, really. I think we received a request.

10:51:37:Presenter: From the local enforcement agency to act on a revised solid waste facility permit for Recology Hay RD.

10:51:38:Presenter: Uhm?

10:51:45:Presenter: At 6426 Hey Rd Vacaville, that's in Solano County.

10:51:59:Presenter: The landfill wants to increase the maximum daily tonnage from 2400 to 3200 tons per day, averaged over seven days.

10:52:05:Presenter: And will also include a peak daily tonnage of no more than 3400 tons per day.

10:52:20:Presenter: There will there is a request to increase the permitted disposal area from 256 acres to 280 acres and there are corresponding updates to the technical document.

10:52:21:Presenter: For that site.

10:52:35:Presenter: Since the last meeting, we did receive a waiver request from Los Angeles County local enforcement agency and it was for the Pelona Valley transfer station.

10:52:52:Presenter: That came to us on September 21st 1st and it was to come under the waiver to address permitted daily tonnage is and that will continue until January 21st, 2022.

10:52:56:Presenter: And the reason behind the request for COVID-19 issues.

10:53:11:Presenter: So that's the report on permits and then to finish up. I wanted to move to the last item that I have to share and that is reporting on the latest solid waste disposal and CO disposal site cleanup.

10:53:18:Presenter: Program project, and that's the one in Lee Vining. It's the leave vining burn dump remediation.

10:53:26:Presenter: The site is located near Mono Basin, Scenic area and you can see Mona Lake in the background on this slide.

10:53:39:Presenter: Come and it had historically received municipal solid waste from nearby communities prior to it being closed in 1973, and it's currently on US Forest Service property.

10:53:54:Presenter: The local enforcement agency for the county has identified several violations of closure requirements related to expose waste. As you can see in this slide, as well as erosion that occurs after storm events.

10:53:55:Presenter: So that storm water erosion.

10:54:07:Presenter: The Forest Service and the Mono County has requested assistance from Calrecycle solid waste cleanup program to remediate those issues. Remediate the site.

10:54:18:Presenter: The programs contractor consultant power cycle and our local enforcement agency all worked together to develop a remediation work plan.

10:54:28:Presenter: And that had plan has been approved and it carries a cost estimate of approximately \$864,000.

10:54:43:Presenter: The Forest Service is contributing approximately \$20,000 of in kind services for archaeological and natural resources, clearances and other staff resources to support the construction.

10:54:55:Presenter: And I'm happy to report that the work on the project has begun, and we're hoping that it will be completed soon and definitely before the end of the year. Linda, that's all I have.

10:55:09:Presenter: Share today, thank you so much. Fantastic thanks so much. Mark Calrecycle has a number of career openings right now is we wanted to highlight a couple of those including environmental scientists, program analysts and associates.

10:55:23:Presenter: For a complete list of open positions and application deadlines, visit calcareers.ca.gov Alcala recycle job openings are listed under Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery.

10:55:37:Presenter: You can also find career positions on our calrecycle LinkedIn page and before we open it up to public comments this morning, we'd like to remind

everyone that you can find more information on each of the agenda items we discussed today. By visiting the tower cycle.

10:55:50:Presenter: Home page selecting public meetings and then clicking on today's date to download the meeting agenda. And that's where you can find more in depth information on today's items as well as links and contact information. Should you have any questions.

10:55:56:Presenter: And now let's send it over to Zoe Heller and Christina Chambers to address public comments this morning. Good morning ladies.

10:56:03:Presenter: Good morning, Linda. Our first comment is from Mr.

10:56:14:Presenter: John Frank and Mr. Frank writes as California recycling rates continue to drop, why isn't the department held accountable like other industries?

10:56:21:Presenter: And.

10:56:25:Presenter: I believe I'm Rachel was gonna answer that one.

10:56:42:Presenter: Sorry about that. My computer didn't wanna click back on. Thank you so much for that. It is a really really incredibly important issue that you've highlighted here.

10:56:55:Presenter: What do we do when we are not meeting our recycling goals? Whether it is the beverage container program, what it is, whether it is our overall diversion and recycling goals?

10:57:09:Presenter: Or whether it is our upcoming goals around 1383, and as we all know, recycling and reuse and composting and all of the things that go to removing the trash.

10:57:22:Presenter: Solution removing those waste items from our landfills is a joint responsibility and Calvin cycle is here as the state entity to help.

10:57:35:Presenter: Lead all of our local governments are state governments and our individual members of our communities and provide them the tools to do that. So it is a very discouraging situation that we find ourselves in 2019.

10:57:48:Presenter: Is a really hard year 2020 ended up being an even harder year for recycling and composting and meeting our recycling goals here in the state of California and as California.

10:58:02:Presenter: Lead for recycling cover cycle is looking to adjust pivot and institute new tools and that's why when we started this meeting today, we highlighted as we take.

10:58:15:Presenter: From the challenges that California has in front of us around solid waste, recycling, composting and organics, we need to look at what are the tools that we need today and how do we best use them to help California.

10:58:28:Presenter: Achieve these goals and so I am excited. There are new tools that we've been given additional resources that we've been given, and you know, as we recover stronger from the pandemic, recover stronger from the last.

10:58:42:Presenter: Couple of years. What are the tools that we need to do moving forward? This is an incredibly challenging time, and those are incredibly huge challenges, but the reason that California has an agency specifically designated is for us.

10:58:55:Presenter: To help put those tools in place for local governments and communities to truly achieve those goals. So as we're not achieving those goals,

coward cycle is pivoting we are turning. We are looking to you, our stakeholders, to help us develop.

10:59:10:Presenter: The right tools to meet the challenges in front of us. So thank you for highlighting a really important issue as we look into the end of 2021. In the beginning of 2022 we are going to be doing additional waste characterization.

10:59:21:Presenter: Which will help us again, look at what are the things that we need to do differently so that we can meet the goals in front of us. Statutory Lee mandated or otherwise. So thank you for the question.

10:59:38:Presenter: We have a question from Tim with the American Council with the American Chemistry Council in Tim right, can you please provide an update on the status of SP?

10:59:43:Presenter: 1335 Allen Foodservice packaging regulations. Thank you.

10:59:57:Presenter: Yeah, I'm happy to provide an update. Thanks for the question. Come so the most recent version of the proposed regulations are posted on our website and so not much.

11:00:11:Presenter: Has changed and the department is currently working with the Office of Administrative Law to obtain final approval on those regulations. We anticipate obtaining final approval of the regulations within the next month or so.

11:00:24:Presenter: It's possible minor changes to the text might take place in order to gain that approval, but what's posted is substantially what we anticipate being approved. And to make sure you get the most up-to-date announcements.

11:00:35:Presenter: For one that actually happens, please subscribe to our sustainable foodservice packaging listserv on conversations website. So, thanks for staying engaged with the process.

11:00:50:Presenter: Can I just add thank you Tim for the question and it's almost like we tied it up because we have been very busy here at Cal. Recycle and as soon as those bills were.

11:01:06:Presenter: A past and then signed by the governor and Matt's team, who was responsible for a lot of the legislation that was signed, jumped into gear, getting ready to.

11:01:18:Presenter: Engage with our stakeholders so it's just a couple of weeks after Bill signing. And as you can tell, the team here at power cycle is already well on its way to implementation. Even though those bills won't be long until January.

11:01:18:Presenter: First.

11:01:26:Presenter: OK, we have another question.

11:01:43:Presenter: And it is from Deb, Phil Phillips and she writes, are there any or all of any or all of today's broadcast videos available on the Cal Recycle page? To look at more?

11:01:43:Presenter: In depth.

11:01:55:Presenter: Thanks so much for that question Deb. And what we do is at the conclusion of our public meetings, we post our all of the videos that you saw during the public meeting on Calrecycle's Youtube channel.

11:02:00:Presenter: So you can find them there. All the ones will be up from today later today and all the ones from our previous meetings are there as well.

11:02:14:Presenter: Alright, and I see another question just came in from California against waste so I will go ahead and read that one.

11:02:28:Presenter: Californians Against waste appreciates counter cycles. This decision to maintain processing payment levels for the final quarter of 2021. We would like to thank our cycle for hearing the stakeholders expressing the unique challenges of covid.

11:02:42:Presenter: And wildfires have caused California's recycling infrastructure, adjusting the processing payments would have reduced revenue to the state's beverage container recycling infrastructure by as much as 1,000,000 per month at a time when the infrastructure.

11:02:56:Presenter: It's just now recovering from sustained periods of declining revenues and center closures with calrecycle's decision to hold the payment study. These funds will continue to be invested in our recycling infrastructure, helping Californians access redemption opportunities.

11:03:09:Presenter: And ultimately increasing recycling rates. Keller cycles use of its existing discretion to invest in the recycling infrastructure, demonstrates that the department should have more flexibility to use available funds to support California's recycling infrastructure through disasters.

11:03:11:Presenter: Fluctuations in the market.

11:03:15:Presenter: Thank thank you for the comment.

11:03:30:Presenter: Thanks for that and sorry I'm gonna just pipe in. Once again. I'd like to thank Californians against waste for that comment and just highlight that. Really again, Calvin cycle is looking at, you know what the last two years and the pandemic.

11:03:43:Presenter: Has done to our waste stream to our recycling infrastructure to the people who've invested in our recycling structure and we want to say that we are all on this on this journey together. As we recover from the pandemic.

11:03:56:Presenter: Up to recover stronger that the decision to hold the processing payment in place at that time was really an acknowledgement of the challenges that the last two years have brought so.

11:04:10:Presenter: As we do embark on our recovery and really we are invested in helping to recover and recover stronger and build a circular economy here, we really want to encourage all of our stakeholders to engage with us.

11:04:11:Presenter: To help us build.

11:04:18:Presenter: A stronger foundation, as we as we embark on this period of recovery. So thank you so much for that comment.

11:04:22:Presenter: And there are no other comments.

11:04:37:Presenter: OK, fantastic thanks so much. Though he and Tina and thanks to everyone who participated in today's public meeting. We hope that you enjoy the new format that's designed to make communication accessible, inclusive and as.

11:04:50:Presenter: Relevant as possible and we welcome your feedback, so please feel free to leave us a comment on the public comment portal. In the mean time, have a great rest of your morning and rest of your week and we will see you next month in November. Goodbye, everyone.