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Good morning, everyone.

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Thanks for joining us.

00:00:02:28 - 00:00:06:00
For CalRecycle's
July 2023 Public Meeting.

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This meeting is for Californians
by Californians

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as we work together to protect
our communities and fight climate change.

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Let's watch

00:00:13:25 - 00:00:17:06
a quick reminder before diving in.

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00:00:40:06 - 00:00:40:25
Language shouldn't be a barrier when

00:00:40:25 - 00:00:44:04
it comes to protecting our air,
water and land. CalRecycle

00:00:44:04 - 00:00:47:02
is simulcasting
this meeting in English and Spanish.

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Click the public meeting banner
at the top of [CalRecycle.ca.gov](https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov)

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to a link to our webcasts
in both English and Spanish.

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Our first or

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if you're attending this meeting in person
at Byron Sher Auditorium

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I Hello.

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Okay. Sorry if we had a technical issue.

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If you are attending this meeting
in person and Byron Sher Auditorium,

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we have Spanish translation
devices available.

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Let our team on your left hand
side of the dais.

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know if you need one.

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Si asiste a esta junta en persona en Byron Sher,

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tenemos dispositivos de traducción al Español disponibles.

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Informe a nuestro equipo al lado izquierdo del mostrador
de presentación ejecutiva si necesita uno, gracias.

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Our first agenda item
today is the director's report.

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Director Rachel Machi Wagoner
joins us now with some important updates.

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Good morning, Rachel.

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Good morning, everyone,
and thank you so much

00:01:55:19 - 00:01:59:00
for all of you
who are joining us in person and remotely.

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We have a lot of progress to share
with all of you and a lot of progress

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that we're making over the course
of our summer months.

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So please look at CalRecycle's website

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to track all of the workshops
and other activities that we have.

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You now can find a calendar
on our homepage that will outline

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our workshops from SB 1013 implementation
to SB 54 implementation

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and all of the other opportunities
to engage with the department.

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So please remember to check the website
on a regular basis

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to see where we are on those activities.

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I want to first applaud the CalRecycle

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SB 54 team for the incredible progress
that they are making.

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They are working overtime and
a lot of late nights

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and weekends to make sure
that we get SB 54 implemented on time.

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And along those lines,
we have appointed the SB 54

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Advisory Board
who will be absolutely critical

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in helping us develop the policy
and advise the PRO and implementation

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ation of this
incredibly important piece of legislation.

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We have membership from

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the Manufacturers Recycling and Solid
Waste Enterprises, retail and grocery

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associations, local government,
environmental organizations,

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and environmental justice organizations
and disadvantaged communities.

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Absolutely critical in the successful

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implementation of SB 54
will be the partnerships we build.

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So please help us welcome
the members of the new Advisory Board.

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For those of you who are not on
the advisory board it's still an importan

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and absolutely critical opportunity

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to participate in the implementation of 54
and provide that advice.

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So this will be a board meetings
that you will be able

00:03:46:01 - 00:03:49:13
to participate in as well,
even if you do not sit on the board.

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Important to note,
there is a 16th member of the

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advisory board representing the Producer
Responsibility Organization,

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which will be appointed
following the selection of the Producer

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Responsibility organization
by CalRecycle in 2024.

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So for those of you who were
that are acutely paying attention,

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there is a 16th slot that has not filled
but will be filled upon

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selection of the PRO.

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And with that, I want to thank everybody
again for being here and joining us.

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We have a lot of exciting updates to give,
so take it away, Maria.

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Thanks, Rachel.

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Packaging is 25% of the ways
California disposes each year.

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Here's what California
is doing to cut packaging pollution.

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California is

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leading the charge to slash
single use plastic pollution.

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This week

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Governor Newsom signed a groundbreaking legislation

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to cut back single use plastics and boost recycling for what's left.

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Holding the plastic industry accountable for cutting waste at the source.

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To stop the flow of plastic pollution.

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That's clogging our ocean.

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Polluting our air,
contaminating our water.

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And infecting our food.

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This law would also make plastic manufacturers cover the cost of recycling.

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instead of you, the taxpayer.

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Called the most sweeping law

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to phase out single use plastics
and other packaging waste.

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California set the nation's toughest rules to reduce single use plastics

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by requiring that by 2032, 25% of plastic packaging is cut,

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65% of single use packaging is recycled, and 100% of

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all packaging in

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California is recyclable or compostable.

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The new law could eliminate over
20 million tons of plastic waste

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in the next decade, accelerating.

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California's move to a

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circular economy with sustainable product

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designed to protect our communities,

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restore our oceans and safeguard
our clean, healthy future for our children

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and their children.

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CalRecycle's next informal SB

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54 workshop is on July 24th
and 25th at 10 a.m.

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on both days The July 24th workshop
will focus on the recycling rate,

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compostable items,
the definition of reusable and refillable.

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The definition of producer, the Producer Responsibility Plan and data reporting.

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The July 25th workshop will focus on an update on the needs assessment.

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eco modulated fee and enforcement.

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More information materials will be provided through our listserv.

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The next SB 1383 chat with CalRecycle will be held in August.

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The June chat with CalRecycle recording is now available on our YouTube channel.

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We also have two beverage container recycling program

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workshops happening next month. On August 10th.

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there's an informational session regarding dealer cooperatives.

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On August 31st, we will have a workshop on Dealer Cooperative Draft language.

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Check out CalRecycle's online calendar at the top of our homepage

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at CalRecycle.ca.gov for upcoming workshops,

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public hearings,
and other engagement opportunities.

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This is your one stop place

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to stay informed
about CalRecycle meetings and actions.

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Please click subscribe at the bottom
of the calendar page to get emailed

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calendar updates.

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Moving on, CalRecycle

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has \$90 million in grants available
for communities to cut food waste,

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Keep organics out of our landfills
and feed Californians in need.

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The Division of the Circular Economy
Deputy Director Zoe

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Heller is here with more details.

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Good morning, Zoe.

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Good morning.

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Maria

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CalRecycle has \$90 million in grants available for communities to cut food

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waste, keep organics out of landfills and feed Californians in need.

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The 2022 budget tasked CalRecycle with administering

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a grant program meant to aid the implementation of SB 1383.

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The proposed criteria was sent to the public for comment in early June.

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Thank thank you all for your comments.

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We received 35, mostly addressing applicant eligibility

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and eligible costs based on public feedback.

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Eligible costs for the grant program were amended to include trailers.

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food dehydrators, mobile app development and mobile pantries.

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Base award amounts were also increased from \$50000 to \$75000.

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All comments will be addressed in our FAQs,

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which will be available
when the application is released.

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90 million in grant funds
will be available to cities, counties,

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regional or joint power authorities

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in special districts that provide solid
waste collections services.

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Each eligible jurisdiction will receive
a base grant award of \$75,000.

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The remaining funds will be distributed
to eligible jurisdictions

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based on per capita
applications like we did last year.

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For example, if three

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jurisdictions
join to submit a regional application,

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the base award amount will be \$225,000.

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A list of estimated amounts will be posted
with the notice of funds

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available
and in the grants management system.

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Our tentative timeline is September of 23 will be the application release.

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November of 23 will be the application due date

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and March of 24
will be when we award the grants.

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All right.

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moving on to beverage container.

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Next on the agenda, EvTech Inc is expanding its

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Sunnyvale beverage container recycling pilot project to provide mobile backdrop

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and eco trailer CRV redemption services to Cupertino.

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The Sunnyvale Pilot Project will use 500,000 and CalRecycle awarded

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grant funds to process bottles and cans by using an artificial intelligence system.

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There will also be an onsite attendant available.

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Next slide.

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Okay, moving to CalRecycle's Local Government
Waste Tire Amnesty Grant program Awards

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\$1.25 million will go to 25 awardees
across the state.

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24 are fully funded
and one is partially funded.

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11 awardees are disadvantaged communities
and in the border region.

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Since 2013, the local Government Waste
Tire Amnesty grant program has helped

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keep more than 1.8 million tires
out of our communities and watersheds.

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We also have a Recycling Market
Development Zone Loan announcement

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Pre-Con Products in Palmdale,
California will use 11 million

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in RMDZ loans for equipment, site
improvements, and to expand their business.

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The company uses recycled aggregate
to make concrete products and road base.

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With the help of the loan, Pre-Con Products
is expected to keep an additional 8000

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tons of concrete waste from landfills
and create ten new jobs.

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We also have some local

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Conservation

Corps grants to announce. All 14 certified

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Local Conservation Corps applied
for the \$27.8 million in funding.

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The Local Conservation Corps
provided services

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in disadvantaged communities,
including the border region.

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These programs help
clean up our communities and reduce waste,

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but they also help provide valuable career
development skills for corps members.

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CalRecycle is required to review

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and either approve or disapprove
each countywide or regional agency

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Integrated Waste Management plan five year
review report.

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The counties of Sacramento, Marin
and Tahoma submitted a five year review

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report for their countywide and regional
Integrated Waste Management plans.

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Concluding no revisions to the county
and regional agency's

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planning documents are necessary
at this time.

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CalRecycle has approved
these items. Back to you, Maria.

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Just a reminder, you can

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submit your public comments
on any of today's agenda items.

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Here's how

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California wants your input on recycling
and trash pollution issues.

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Join CalRecycle's decision
making process

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by submitting a public comment
on any of today's agenda items.

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Microphones are available
for those of you in the room.

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If you're joining a remotely,
just click the public meeting banner

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at the top of our website,

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then click the public meeting portal
to send us your feedback.

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We'll address public comments
at the end of the meeting.

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Moving on

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now to our pending solid waste
and tire facilities permit.

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Here's how California facility standards
help keep our communities

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safe.

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Protecting the health of Californians

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and their land, Food, water
and air is a big job.

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Local, state and federal agencies
play different roles to enforce

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public health and environmental safety
standards.

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In California, solid waste
local enforcement agencies, process

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applications, issue and enforce permits
for solid waste facilities.

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These include landfills,
transfer stations,

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compost facilities, or similar operations.

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CalRecycle must verify permits
are consistent with state requirements.

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Permits can only address areas
within the authority

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of local enforcement
agency and CalRecycle.

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Check out the link below
for more detailed information.

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Emergency waivers
allow temporary changes to solid waste

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permit requirements
in response to local or state disasters.

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Local enforcement
agencies may approve the waivers

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which are good for up to 120 days
and may be extended.

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CalRecycle must review approved waivers

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and can condition
limit, suspend or terminate them.

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Check out the link
for more detailed information.

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For waste tire facilities, CalRecycle
processes

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applications, issues and enforces
waste tire permits.

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These include requirements to make sure
tires are stored and processed in a way

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that reduces potential threats

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from fire and disease
carrying vectors like mosquitoes.

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Check out the link
for more detailed information.

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Environmental

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program manager to Paulina Lawrence
from CalRecycle's Waste Permitting

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Compliance and Mitigation
Division joins us now with a statewide

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update on facility permits.

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Thank you, Maria.

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Hello, everyone.

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I just want to do a brief outline
of what we will be discussing today

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that has occurred since last month.

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The department has agreed
with the LEA's decision

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and has concurred
on three solid waste facilities permit.

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The department is continuing continuing
review of one solid waste facility's

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permit and also we are announcing
the review of one new solid waste permit

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and another new solid waste permit that is
not currently listed on today's agenda.

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So let's.

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We have received
no new emergency waiver since last month.

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On July 5th, 2023.

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The department concurred on a modified
solid waste facilities permit

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for Moreno Valley Solid Waste Recycling
and Transfer Facility.

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This is located in Riverside County.

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Action was needed August 20th.

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On July 11th, 2023, a revised solid waste facilities permit for Gold Coast

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Recycling inc was concurred on by the department.

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This facility is located in Ventura County.

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Action was needed by September 3rd

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and then on

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July 12, 2023, a modified solid waste facilities

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permit was concurred on by the Department for Active Recycling Material Recovery

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Facility and Transfer Station in the city of Los Angeles.

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Action needed July 30th of this month.

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Continuing on the agenda is Aerojet Waste Consolidation Unit.

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This facility is located in Sacramento County.

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It's a new solar waste facilities permit.

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Action is needed by July 31st.

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New to the agenda is the City of Redding.

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Transfer Station
materials Recovery and Composting facility

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located at 2255 Abernathy Lane.

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This is in Shasta County as the revised
solid waste facilities permit.

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Action is needed.

00:15:47:03 - 00:15:50:21
August 26, 2023. Preliminary Review.

00:15:50:21 - 00:15:53:12
The permit package indicates
the proposed changes

00:15:53:27 - 00:15:56:04
updates to the transfer processing report,

00:15:56:15 - 00:16:01:16
report of composting site information
and odor Impact minimization plan.

00:16:03:00 - 00:16:03:29
The permit will also be

00:16:03:29 - 00:16:08:04
removing the vehicle limit of 482
vehicles per day and will instead

00:16:08:04 - 00:16:11:07
be regulated as per Title 14 Section

00:16:11:07 - 00:16:14:26
17 418.3 under traffic control.

00:16:15:02 - 00:16:15:27
And then there will be

00:16:15:27 - 00:16:19:07
the addition of food waste as an accepted
composting feedstock.

00:16:20:00 - 00:16:23:02
New and not on the agenda is Paris
Transfer Station

00:16:23:02 - 00:16:27:18
and Material Recovery Facility
located at 1706 Goetz Road.

00:16:27:27 - 00:16:29:15
This is in Riverside County.

00:16:29:15 - 00:16:31:28
It's a modified solid waste facilities
permit.

00:16:32:09 - 00:16:33:09
Action is needed.

00:16:33:09 - 00:16:35:12
September ten, 2023.

00:16:36:07 - 00:16:40:09
Preliminary review of the permit package
indicates the following proposed changes.

00:16:40:19 - 00:16:44:11
Updates to the following sections
of the permit includes

00:16:44:11 - 00:16:49:00
prohibition documents that describe
and or restrict the operations,

00:16:49:00 - 00:16:52:00

self monitoring and enforcement
agency conditions.

00:16:52:23 - 00:16:56:10

And as mentioned before, we received
no emergency waivers as of last month.

00:16:56:20 - 00:16:57:12

Thank you, Maria.

00:16:58:19 - 00:17:00:02

Thanks, Paulina.

00:17:00:02 - 00:17:03:12

You can find more information
on any of today's agenda items.

00:17:03:22 - 00:17:04:15

Just go to CalRecycle's

00:17:04:15 - 00:17:07:20

home page and click on the public
meeting web banner at the top of

00:17:07:20 - 00:17:11:03

our site for a link to the agenda
and associated public notices.

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Now it's time for public comments.

00:17:13:20 - 00:17:16:28

First, we'll take comments
from the public present in our CalEPA

00:17:16:28 - 00:17:20:00

headquarters
meeting room today here in Sacramento.

00:17:20:12 - 00:17:23:16

If you have a comment, please approach
one of the two microphones.

00:17:47:04 - 00:17:48:09

Good morning, Kevin Edgar.

00:17:48:09 - 00:17:49:15
Edgar Associates.

00:17:49:15 - 00:17:51:21
I'm here to talk about wood waste today.

00:17:51:21 - 00:17:53:26
Next month is S.B.

00:17:53:26 - 00:17:58:12
498 and a report that comes every August
to CalRecycle and what it does

00:17:58:12 - 00:18:00:28
it post all the different woodchips
going to bioenergy.

00:18:01:23 - 00:18:05:09
And since 2015, the amount of woodchips
for their urban sector

00:18:06:00 - 00:18:09:06
decreased from about 1.8 million tons to .9
million tons.

00:18:09:06 - 00:18:12:27
So we lost about a million
tons of market share in five years.

00:18:13:18 - 00:18:15:02
And that's a lot of loss.

00:18:15:02 - 00:18:20:03
That's a lot of tons to lose. Every year
when a SB 498 report is posted.

00:18:20:07 - 00:18:23:28
I always ask CalRecycle
to do a market development report.

00:18:24:02 - 00:18:27:06
We just lost a million tons of capacity.

00:18:27:07 - 00:18:29:03
What do we do with that?

00:18:29:03 - 00:18:32:19

And the last time
there was any type of bioenergy action

00:18:32:19 - 00:18:35:14

plan about bioenergy with 2012

00:18:35:24 - 00:18:38:29

that was done in-house by the California
Energy Commission with Julia Levin.

00:18:39:09 - 00:18:41:09

Great report, but it's 2012.

00:18:42:11 - 00:18:44:23

Last time there was a 75% plan was 2014.

00:18:45:10 - 00:18:49:26

So what we're missing is about how to deal
with wood waste and what waste is

00:18:49:26 - 00:18:51:26

a number two,
waste stream in a landfill.

00:18:51:26 - 00:18:54:19

We haven't had a workshop on wood waste
since the nineties.

00:18:55:08 - 00:18:58:07

So it's kind of time to talk about
and get it back on our radar screen.

00:18:59:12 - 00:19:01:23

I CalRecycle has a zero waste report

00:19:02:29 - 00:19:05:03

due on July 1st, 2026,

00:19:05:23 - 00:19:08:19

and that's three years from now and
the industry can't wait for three years.

00:19:09:03 - 00:19:11:20

So what I did here, I put,
I put together a top down

00:19:11:23 - 00:19:15:15
wood waste market development
plan to get to 75% for wood

00:19:15:15 - 00:19:19:09
waste diversion, which means
about diverting about 4 million tons

00:19:19:09 - 00:19:21:09
we need to find a home for.

00:19:21:09 - 00:19:24:00
And what do we do with the 4 million
tons of wood

00:19:24:00 - 00:19:28:09
waste to get to 75%
by 2030 is a realistic date.

00:19:29:06 - 00:19:31:09
What we do know is by 20

00:19:31:09 - 00:19:35:12
75%, we have to add 1.4 million
tons of disposal

00:19:35:13 - 00:19:39:24
as a targeted number
for dispose of wood waste in the landfill.

00:19:40:13 - 00:19:42:03
What do you do with the 4 million tons?

00:19:43:04 - 00:19:45:23
Well, I think by 2030, some of the

00:19:46:24 - 00:19:50:19
biomass plants,
there's a report that I think is AB

00:19:50:19 - 00:19:54:14
988 is a study bill about what
to do with the online biomass industry

00:19:54:14 - 00:19:55:19

from the eighties.

00:19:55:19 - 00:19:58:07

We're losing a lot of capacity,
but I think some are being repowered

00:19:58:08 - 00:20:01:09

down the Rio Bravo
and other places.

00:20:01:09 - 00:20:05:12

So there is some clean biomass
from the old school eighties technologies

00:20:05:12 - 00:20:06:24

that are being upgraded.

00:20:06:24 - 00:20:10:20

I believe the urban sector can about
0.5 million tons by 2030.

00:20:11:14 - 00:20:14:09

The problem here is we're being
crowded out by the forest sector.

00:20:14:19 - 00:20:18:15

There's a lot of good incentives
going on with forest sector and online

00:20:18:15 - 00:20:23:08

biomass plants have to have 80% of the
feedstocks come from the forest sector.

00:20:24:07 - 00:20:27:18

So therefore the urban sector gets crowded
out and that's too bad. But

00:20:28:21 - 00:20:30:21

and then within

00:20:30:21 - 00:20:34:29

within the biomass program,
it's up to three megawatt community scale.

00:20:35:01 - 00:20:37:24

This is gasification under the PRC code.

00:20:37:24 - 00:20:41:25
It's biomass conversion facilities
using gasification technology

00:20:41:26 - 00:20:43:10
and making biochar.

00:20:43:10 - 00:20:44:04
I think a fair share.

00:20:44:04 - 00:20:47:27
A number of the projects
I got going on about 250,000

00:20:47:27 - 00:20:50:24
tons a year
that will go to the biomass program.

00:20:51:27 - 00:20:54:16
The next program is SB 1383 procurement.

00:20:55:02 - 00:20:56:22
Now there's five different products.

00:20:56:22 - 00:20:59:04
The industry can have,
but with a blended portfolio

00:20:59:04 - 00:21:02:22
you can pick compost, woody,
mulch, heat, RNG

00:21:04:00 - 00:21:04:24
and bioenergy.

00:21:04:24 - 00:21:07:14
So I believe with the 1383 procurement,

00:21:07:29 - 00:21:10:05
maybe 70, 50,000 tons with

00:21:10:18 - 00:21:13:19
with the number
that that is a balanced portfolio

00:21:13:19 - 00:21:16:25

with other waste products that are organic waste products, you can procure.

00:21:18:03 - 00:21:21:22

The next line is compost feedstock, about a million tons.

00:21:22:10 - 00:21:24:16

Now we have the carbon nitrogen limitations.

00:21:24:16 - 00:21:26:20

All that wood waste. You just can't compost at all.

00:21:26:21 - 00:21:30:08

The Sierra Club thinks we can take all that forest waste and compost it.

00:21:30:24 - 00:21:33:09

Well, we have some carbon nitrogen limitations.

00:21:33:25 - 00:21:37:03

Even that 1 million tons is being crushed out by the ag sector.

00:21:37:28 - 00:21:40:14

Agriculture has had a five year phase

00:21:40:14 - 00:21:43:19

out in the Central Valley to no longer burn ag waste.

00:21:44:11 - 00:21:47:20

All that ag waste now going to compost feedstock to the biosolids facility.

00:21:48:00 - 00:21:50:26

So we hope maybe we can get another million tons out of compost

00:21:50:26 - 00:21:54:06

feedstock to balance out the C and ratio with all that new food waste.

00:21:54:16 - 00:21:56:01

We're not sure.

00:21:56:03 - 00:21:57:29

So the AG cases crowding us out.

00:21:59:14 - 00:22:02:01

For the last three years, the California Compost Coalition

00:22:02:01 - 00:22:07:07

sponsored bills to kind of integrate urban ag and forest sector waste

00:22:08:00 - 00:22:10:10

because we have all these policies,

00:22:10:10 - 00:22:11:19

all the incentives,

00:22:11:19 - 00:22:15:07

different type of high cost, different fee, different technology, sometimes,

00:22:15:21 - 00:22:19:03

you know, what's the best way to manage ag urban and forest waste?

00:22:19:04 - 00:22:20:28

We couldn't get that done.

00:22:20:28 - 00:22:24:15

So we tried three times, go to a legislature and it was killed at

00:22:24:22 - 00:22:27:13

at the agency level because of a potential cost

00:22:27:27 - 00:22:30:10

to do a organic waste scoping plan.

00:22:30:22 - 00:22:34:08

But we need to, because we are competing in urban sectors, competing against

00:22:34:08 - 00:22:38:22
ag for compost feedstocks, competing
as a forest sector for bioenergy projects.

00:22:39:20 - 00:22:42:08
The last program to get to 4 million tons.

00:22:42:26 - 00:22:45:18
A divergence biomass to hydrogen.

00:22:45:18 - 00:22:47:12
There's a lot of play going on.

00:22:47:12 - 00:22:49:01
What is green hydrogen?

00:22:49:01 - 00:22:51:17
The skinner bill, a lot, a lot going on in
hydrogen space.

00:22:52:01 - 00:22:54:27
There projects coming on board
from Richmond to Pittsburg

00:22:54:27 - 00:22:56:09
and around the state.

00:22:56:09 - 00:22:58:10
Biomass to hydrogen is very viable.

00:22:58:15 - 00:23:00:05
It's a great market.

00:23:00:05 - 00:23:03:07
So I believe by 2030
with a blended portfolio,

00:23:03:22 - 00:23:06:19
there's opportunity t to take our wood
waste and do something with it.

00:23:07:05 - 00:23:09:06
This is what the industry is seen.

00:23:09:06 - 00:23:11:17

I like to work with CalRecycle staff
to sit down

00:23:11:17 - 00:23:15:00
with your knowledge integration
branch, talk about these tons.

00:23:15:13 - 00:23:18:20
Talk about the programs
and have some type of analysis

00:23:18:22 - 00:23:21:20
so that when your SB 498 report
is published every year.

00:23:22:05 - 00:23:24:07
There's a wood waste market
development plan

00:23:24:17 - 00:23:27:23
because the way it is going now,
by default, I don't see a plan

00:23:27:23 - 00:23:30:27
come out of our
cycle until July 1st, 2026,

00:23:32:00 - 00:23:33:22
three years from now,

00:23:33:22 - 00:23:37:18
Next year, on July 1st, 2024,
and a budget trailer bill.

00:23:37:28 - 00:23:40:27
You have to report to the legislature
how you going to do the zero waste plan

00:23:40:27 - 00:23:43:24
and what things are deficient
or what programs aren't working?

00:23:44:12 - 00:23:49:01
Maybe as part of the July 1st, 2024 plan
that you can talk about wood waste

00:23:49:01 - 00:23:52:04
because we haven't talked about it
since the nineties.

00:23:52:29 - 00:23:55:06
There's a response bill,
that CalRecycle to have a market

00:23:55:06 - 00:23:58:03
development plan for all feedstocks,
including wood waste.

00:23:58:08 - 00:24:00:22
We just haven't seen it yet,
but it's timely.

00:24:00:22 - 00:24:04:05
We say something about it
because you have these great technologies.

00:24:04:09 - 00:24:06:24
We're getting Repower, we are procurement.

00:24:07:04 - 00:24:10:18
We have a lot of opportunity
in wood waste, but nobody talks about it.

00:24:10:20 - 00:24:12:26
So let's start talking about that again.

00:24:12:26 - 00:24:14:12
I look forward to working with your staff.

00:24:17:14 - 00:24:17:27
Thanks.

00:24:17:27 - 00:24:19:18
It is, as usual.

00:24:19:18 - 00:24:23:07
Thank you so much for paying attention
to these really important issues

00:24:23:23 - 00:24:26:19
and would be happy to set up some time

00:24:28:24 - 00:24:32:02
when Deputy Director Morgan is back

00:24:32:05 - 00:24:36:17
to to chat about how can we integrate this
into the broader organics plan.

00:24:36:17 - 00:24:38:07
So thank you so much.

00:24:38:07 - 00:24:38:21
Thank you.

00:24:38:21 - 00:24:41:07
Handouts in the back of the class.

00:24:43:14 - 00:24:45:10
Are there any other public comments

00:24:45:10 - 00:24:46:13
in the room?

00:24:53:27 - 00:24:54:24
Good morning,

00:24:54:24 - 00:24:58:05
Larry Sweetser on behalf of the now
27 rural county members

00:24:58:05 - 00:25:01:23
of the Environmental Services Joint Powers
Authority, and just want to say

00:25:01:23 - 00:25:05:21
thank you for the changes to the SB 1383
grant program.

00:25:05:21 - 00:25:06:21
We made some comments.

00:25:06:21 - 00:25:09:18
You listened and incorporated those,

00:25:09:18 - 00:25:11:22
talked to Zoe this morning
and appreciate that.

00:25:12:02 - 00:25:16:23

Our big point was that many of our rural counties are short staffed.

00:25:16:23 - 00:25:19:00

They don't have ability to apply for the funds.

00:25:19:00 - 00:25:20:11

So it wasn't clear originally

00:25:20:11 - 00:25:23:15

that they would get the base amount when we did a regional grant.

00:25:23:26 - 00:25:26:15

And so in order for them to participate, they're going to need us

00:25:26:15 - 00:25:28:29

to do that regional grant or someone else to do that for them.

00:25:28:29 - 00:25:32:05

So by including that base amount, it really makes it

00:25:33:02 - 00:25:35:01

more of an opportunity for them to participate.

00:25:36:00 - 00:25:38:07

Also, the travel costs in there,

00:25:38:18 - 00:25:42:00

making sure that travel costs, including lodging, are all incorporated.

00:25:42:00 - 00:25:44:12

It wasn't clear originally, and I think that will be in the new scope

00:25:45:08 - 00:25:48:11

because some of our counties actually from corner to corner can be over

00:25:48:11 - 00:25:50:03
8 hours one way.

00:25:50:03 - 00:25:52:08
So they may have to stay overnight
to do a visit.

00:25:52:17 - 00:25:55:11
And also in the winter,
especially if you ever tried

00:25:55:11 - 00:25:58:04
to get to the eastern side,
you have to go through Nevada.

00:25:58:14 - 00:26:00:18
I had to stay there once

00:26:00:18 - 00:26:01:23
on a different program.

00:26:01:23 - 00:26:05:04
So allowing for that short term
out-of-state travel would be helpful.

00:26:05:13 - 00:26:07:01
And I understand
those are going to be included.

00:26:07:01 - 00:26:09:15
So I just wanted to say thank you.

00:26:10:06 - 00:26:13:24
Appreciate the comment
and appreciate the the

00:26:14:25 - 00:26:16:15
engagement with the program.

00:26:16:15 - 00:26:20:11
And and this is how these things end up
being successful is when we have

00:26:20:11 - 00:26:22:04

that productive engagement.
So thank you for that.

00:26:25:00 - 00:26:28:15
Any other comments in the meeting?

00:26:34:05 - 00:26:36:02
Hola buenos días

00:26:36:18 - 00:26:38:21
necesito ayuda por favor

00:26:38:21 - 00:26:41:19
See going out to see it, gather

00:26:42:03 - 00:26:45:24
the calories in one,
put it up on a global transit poster.

00:26:46:15 - 00:26:48:01
Okay. I will be translating.

00:26:48:01 - 00:26:48:16
I just asked

00:26:48:16 - 00:26:51:25
if you could take a brief pause
every now and then so I could translate.

00:26:52:06 - 00:26:53:04
Thank you so much.

00:26:53:04 - 00:26:55:05
Appreciate you. Yeah, of course.

00:26:55:13 - 00:26:58:06
One of is thing

00:26:58:16 - 00:27:01:09
de lo que está pasando en mi persona

00:27:02:21 - 00:27:04:28
que creo que todos estamos viviendo en este momento verdad

00:27:05:09 - 00:27:08:06
con los recicladores que tenemos dentro del reciclaje.

00:27:09:11 - 00:27:11:23

¿La situación ... cree que está bien la situación?

00:27:12:23 - 00:27:13:05

No.

00:27:14:07 - 00:27:15:24

Voy a dar mi punto de vista

00:27:15:24 - 00:27:20:16

se que todos estamos pasando por esta mala racha.

00:27:22:13 - 00:27:24:21

(Translated from Spanish) Good morning

I know we are all in this together.

00:27:24:21 - 00:27:27:11

I'm here today

to offer my point of view and my opinion.

00:27:28:10 - 00:27:33:27

Hace 10 años yo empecé con mi negocio
con mucho trabajo y esfuerzo

00:27:33:27 - 00:27:36:22

Ahora ya tengo cinco reciclajes aquí en la área de Sacramento.

00:27:38:05 - 00:27:41:12

(Translated from Spanish) I got started in the recycling business
about ten years ago

00:27:41:20 - 00:27:44:05

and I started everything
from the ground up.

00:27:44:10 - 00:27:48:10

I own five recycling businesses
here in the Sacramento area.

00:27:49:06 - 00:27:52:15

Lamentablemente, es una pena ... me estoy viendo obligado a que

00:27:52:15 - 00:27:58:28

parte de lo que tengo lo voy a cerrar.

No puedo sostener los gastos que tengo.

00:28:00:16 - 00:28:03:13
(Translated from Spanish) Unfortunately,
I may have to close some of my locations

00:28:03:13 - 00:28:07:10
given the rising cost and my business
just can't keep up anymore.

00:28:08:05 - 00:28:13:15
Voy a tener que cerrarlos, es una pena.

00:28:13:15 - 00:28:19:21
No se es algo ridículo los precios que esta poniendo CalRecycle.

00:28:20:14 - 00:28:24:07
CalRecycle sabe lo que está pasando, no podemos sobrevivir.

00:28:24:20 - 00:28:27:01
He hablado con bastantes

00:28:27:01 - 00:28:34:22
hemos hablado ya que tiene que haber un cambio.
No se puede. De verdad no se puede.

00:28:35:26 - 00:28:36:26
(Translated from Spanish) I have talked

00:28:36:26 - 00:28:39:18
among my partners,
my partners and I have discussed that.

00:28:39:25 - 00:28:42:21
Unfortunately, just given our situation
and the rising costs

00:28:43:03 - 00:28:47:12
and the fee set by CalRecycle,
we can no longer keep up.

00:28:47:12 - 00:28:48:27
And it is just very frustrating.

00:28:48:27 - 00:28:51:05
And an upsetting situation.

00:28:51:05 - 00:28:55:03

Los precios están muy bajos verdad ...

00:28:55:17 - 00:29:01:04

compañía ... la procesadora todavía tiene que pagarles a ellos por ir a tirar el material,

00:29:01:07 - 00:29:05:05

dense cuenta de lo que está pasando. Es ridículo.

00:29:08:16 - 00:29:11:02

¿Puede recalcar eso?

00:29:11:09 - 00:29:27:11

Si, lo que paga CalRecycle es algo bajo ... pero aun asi le toca a mis procesadora pagar por llevar el material.

00:29:28:15 - 00:29:32:08

(Translated from Spanish) The processing payments issued by CalRecycle are low and on top of that

00:29:32:08 - 00:29:35:29

I'm having to just put more of my money

00:29:36:13 - 00:29:39:12

into the daily operation.

00:29:39:12 - 00:29:40:10

And we can't keep up.

00:29:42:12 - 00:29:45:09

Pues pedimos un cambio.

00:29:45:09 - 00:29:56:19

Yo a nombre de todos pues nos vamos a unir mas por la situación muy dura que estamos pasando.

00:29:57:19 - 00:29:59:26

(Translated from Spanish) This is like this is a tough time for us.

00:29:59:27 - 00:30:04:02

I have consulted with my partners and we are asking

00:30:04:03 - 00:30:05:11

CalRecycle for help.

00:30:08:10 - 00:30:10:03
Will you translate for me?

00:30:10:03 - 00:30:11:14
Yes, of course.

00:30:12:00 - 00:30:16:20
So thank you so much
for participating today in our meeting.

00:30:17:29 - 00:30:21:19
Unfortunately, at the processing payments,

00:30:22:19 - 00:30:27:16
we recognize that this is a very difficult
time for recycling centers.

00:30:27:29 - 00:30:42:16
Muchas gracias por su comentario y por participar en nuestra junta.
Reconocemos que es una situación difícil para gente que maneja centros de reciclaje.

00:30:43:10 - 00:30:48:09
The processing payments
that are fluctuating

00:30:48:09 - 00:30:52:16
so much are set by the law,
not by CalRecycle.

00:30:52:16 - 00:30:54:25
And we can't change them on our own.

00:30:55:19 - 00:31:04:08
Los pagos de procesamiento son establecidos por la ley,
no por CalRecycle – no tenemos control sobre eso.

00:31:05:02 - 00:31:07:07
We do have the authority

00:31:07:07 - 00:31:10:09
every few months
to look at the scrap value

00:31:10:09 - 00:31:12:10
and adjust the processing payments,

00:31:13:10 - 00:31:17:18
which we will do again in July.

00:31:17:18 - 00:31:18:09
Is that right?

00:31:18:09 - 00:31:19:07
July Bardem

00:31:19:22 - 00:31:27:20
Cada par de meses, tenemos la habilidad para el costo de la chatarra o de cierto material

00:31:27:20 - 00:31:31:16
y así podemos ajustar los pagos de procesamiento

00:31:33:07 - 00:31:36:09
But want to recognize
that this is very challenging

00:31:36:09 - 00:31:40:06
for the recycling centers
and we hope that we can continue

00:31:40:06 - 00:31:43:15
the conversation about
how can we make the system work better

00:31:43:15 - 00:31:48:24
for businesses like yours that are trying
to serve the state of California.

00:31:49:24 - 00:31:56:26
Queremos reconocer que es un momento difícil para centros de reciclaje

00:31:56:26 - 00:32:04:19
y gente en la industria en este momento. Queremos seguir teniendo estas conversaciones para mejorar el sistema.

00:32:05:23 - 00:32:12:05
Gracias, se les agradece y queremos cambio amablemente. Gracias por escucharme

00:32:12:10 - 00:32:14:08
Thank you so much for listening. Again,

00:32:14:08 - 00:32:16:12

we plea for your help.

00:32:16:12 - 00:32:17:25

Thank you for listening.

00:32:17:26 - 00:32:18:28

Thank you for being here.

00:32:18:28 - 00:32:21:23

It is so much appreciated.

00:32:29:17 - 00:32:30:13

Good morning again, Jeff.

00:32:30:13 - 00:32:33:03

Dunleavy with Ming's
Recycling and Ming's Resources.

00:32:33:15 - 00:32:37:17

We have three processing facilities,
two in Sacramento and one in Hayward.

00:32:38:15 - 00:32:41:02

Thank you for putting up with me
at the last meeting.

00:32:41:03 - 00:32:41:28

My little break down.

00:32:41:28 - 00:32:45:09

But all 11 for love and support for gray
bears was huge.

00:32:45:09 - 00:32:48:28

They've received a lot of callings
from that, that last meeting.

00:32:48:28 - 00:32:49:17

So thank you.

00:32:51:06 - 00:32:54:16

I'll chime in with what
one of our customers from Guyton Recycling

00:32:54:16 - 00:32:55:18

was saying.

00:32:55:29 - 00:32:59:00
The recycling centers
truly are struggling right now.

00:33:00:01 - 00:33:00:25
You heard it from him.

00:33:00:25 - 00:33:03:10
You heard at the last meeting.

00:33:03:26 - 00:33:05:29
One of the things I pointed out
in the legislation

00:33:06:11 - 00:33:09:07
is I think it does give CalRecycle
staff the ability

00:33:09:07 - 00:33:12:04
to do things
that they're not doing right now

00:33:12:24 - 00:33:15:00
by ensuring
that recycling centers are profitable.

00:33:16:00 - 00:33:19:23
And with the processing payment
calculation, I think that is a key word

00:33:20:14 - 00:33:22:24
that says CalRecycle will provide

00:33:22:24 - 00:33:26:03
a processing payment that is at least

00:33:26:25 - 00:33:30:03
the difference between the operating cost

00:33:30:03 - 00:33:32:17
and the scrap value, at least

00:33:33:14 - 00:33:38:03
I think historically CalRecycle
has paid the actual difference.

00:33:38:12 - 00:33:41:21

So I think that one word least, at least

00:33:41:21 - 00:33:45:03

excuse me two words

gives you the discretion to do something

00:33:46:07 - 00:33:47:09

different than you've done in

00:33:47:09 - 00:33:50:12

the past,

especially for the higher cost areas.

00:33:50:17 - 00:33:52:19

And during these great times of need,

00:33:55:17 - 00:33:56:08

I've done a chart.

00:33:56:08 - 00:33:58:13

I could share it with anybody

that's interested.

00:33:58:13 - 00:34:02:03

But right now, recycling centers

based on their operational costs

00:34:02:03 - 00:34:06:09

that CalRecycle is looking at, the processing
payments and the scrap values,

00:34:06:26 - 00:34:09:26

the average recycling center

is losing \$0.08 a pound

00:34:10:07 - 00:34:12:23

for every pound of PET that they bring in.

00:34:14:07 - 00:34:18:02

Based on the volumes

going in, recycling centers

00:34:18:02 - 00:34:20:05

they're going to lose
\$30 million this year.

00:34:22:02 - 00:34:24:15
And that's the difference
between the processing payments

00:34:24:26 - 00:34:28:13
and the scrap values
and their operational cost.

00:34:29:11 - 00:34:33:09
And that divided by all
the recycling centers, the Guytons, MR,

00:34:33:18 - 00:34:36:26
the people that you heard last last week,

00:34:36:26 - 00:34:38:28
we're at a much different time

00:34:38:28 - 00:34:41:10
than two years ago or five years ago.

00:34:41:10 - 00:34:44:20
So it is just a matter of time
until people just completely

00:34:44:20 - 00:34:46:08
give up on the program.

00:34:46:08 - 00:34:48:09
So, again, continue to ask for your help.

00:34:51:14 - 00:34:54:20
So 2021 and 2022,

00:34:54:20 - 00:34:58:04
as we all know,
were the two biggest years in the program,

00:34:58:19 - 00:35:01:05
the highest number of container sales,

00:35:01:05 - 00:35:03:24
26, 27 billion containers sold,

00:35:04:12 - 00:35:07:17
the highest number of containers recycled

00:35:08:11 - 00:35:10:19
through the Redemption Centers,

00:35:10:19 - 00:35:12:06
curbside programs.

00:35:12:06 - 00:35:16:05
I think we were looking at 18, 19
billion containers sold or redeemed.

00:35:16:29 - 00:35:20:22
But we also experienced the two
greatest years of container losses.

00:35:21:09 - 00:35:23:22
Close to 8 billion containers were lost.

00:35:24:16 - 00:35:26:23
If we go back to 2019,

00:35:27:05 - 00:35:30:08
I think the containers lost was around
four and a half billion.

00:35:31:05 - 00:35:34:09
So right now, because of the closures
of recycling centers

00:35:34:22 - 00:35:40:02
going back to 2019, we're looking at about
3 billion containers being lost.

00:35:40:22 - 00:35:44:18
That's all really good material
to support the circular economy.

00:35:45:17 - 00:35:48:12
It's not being recovered through
the MRFs or the curbside programs.

00:35:48:12 - 00:35:51:23

It's really going into landfills
or worse, it's

00:35:51:23 - 00:35:55:15
going to the rivers, the streams
and out to the ocean at some point.

00:35:56:08 - 00:35:59:19
So we need to focus on opening
up redemption centers,

00:36:01:00 - 00:36:02:05
especially in the underserved

00:36:02:05 - 00:36:05:00
areas in Northern California,
the Bay Area.

00:36:06:07 - 00:36:08:24
Looking at the recent certification list,

00:36:08:24 - 00:36:12:16
I think Northern California
has seen one new recycling center,

00:36:13:03 - 00:36:17:08
I think down in Madeira or Modesto
that's opened up this year.

00:36:18:09 - 00:36:22:01
Southern California has seen
about 60 redemption Centers open up.

00:36:23:08 - 00:36:25:24
Nobody's interested in doing business
in Northern California

00:36:25:24 - 00:36:31:05
because the cost structure is so much
different than other parts of the state.

00:36:31:16 - 00:36:34:12
So we need some help
for the Northern California

00:36:34:12 - 00:36:36:29

or the higher cost unserved areas.

00:36:37:26 - 00:36:41:18

So one of the things that I've asked for is a fast track

00:36:42:04 - 00:36:44:19

for certification,

00:36:44:19 - 00:36:47:09

for redemption centers in these unserved areas.

00:36:47:19 - 00:36:49:16

So it's a little quicker.

00:36:49:27 - 00:36:52:04

Yeah, I'm asking move them to the front of the line

00:36:53:13 - 00:36:56:25

so those unserved areas can get opened up and do everything you can

00:36:57:09 - 00:36:59:23

to get them opened up. I was just talking to somebody today

00:37:00:26 - 00:37:03:05

that their process took approximately

00:37:03:05 - 00:37:06:13

two years to open up in an area that burned down.

00:37:07:14 - 00:37:09:21

So just reopening took them about two years.

00:37:10:11 - 00:37:13:20

I think that's kind of unacceptable.

00:37:13:20 - 00:37:14:25

Right now,

00:37:14:25 - 00:37:18:24

As I mentioned at the last meeting,
plastic markets are very bad,

00:37:20:01 - 00:37:22:06
the importation of cheap

00:37:22:06 - 00:37:25:06
resin and Ffake
is hurting the California Reclaimers,

00:37:25:20 - 00:37:28:10
which affects them in what they can pay

00:37:29:13 - 00:37:32:10
the recycling centers
or the processors for their material.

00:37:33:12 - 00:37:36:01
What we're looking at right
now is a high inventory

00:37:36:01 - 00:37:39:18
at the processing facilities like ours
and even the reclaimers.

00:37:40:03 - 00:37:42:14
So the recovery is going to be long
and slow.

00:37:42:14 - 00:37:44:24
We're not looking at a V-shaped recovery.

00:37:44:24 - 00:37:47:08
We're probably looking
at an L-shaped recovery

00:37:47:21 - 00:37:50:00
going well into the fourth quarter.

00:37:50:00 - 00:37:53:18
So the processors ability
to pay higher prices

00:37:54:00 - 00:37:57:17
to the recycling centers to help them out,
I think is going to be very slow

00:37:57:17 - 00:37:59:27
and drawn
out over the next couple of months.

00:38:00:20 - 00:38:03:24
So the last meeting I was asking of can
recycle, can increase

00:38:04:08 - 00:38:09:23
the processing payments
rather than October 1st accelerate

00:38:09:23 - 00:38:11:19
those up to August 1st.

00:38:11:19 - 00:38:14:14
If you can't do August 1st,
can you do September 1st?

00:38:15:11 - 00:38:18:27
Every little bit will help these
recycling centers that are all struggling

00:38:22:24 - 00:38:23:12
At the last meeting

00:38:23:12 - 00:38:27:09
I also asked about CalRecycle
hosting a meeting in Southern California

00:38:27:09 - 00:38:29:03
with the recycling centers.

00:38:29:03 - 00:38:31:24
I'd still like to see if that was done,

00:38:31:24 - 00:38:33:23
but then for the monthly meetings

00:38:33:23 - 00:38:37:23
just to increase general participation,
it's good to see people here,

00:38:38:17 - 00:38:41:16

but I haven't seen it done
since I've been in the program

00:38:41:16 - 00:38:45:09
for 25 years, hosting maybe three meetings

00:38:46:04 - 00:38:48:09
in Southern California

00:38:48:09 - 00:38:51:22
to get the Southern California
people to participate and actually show up

00:38:52:14 - 00:38:54:27
so they can attend and participate.

00:38:57:00 - 00:38:59:12
As you know, I've said all along,
the bottle

00:38:59:12 - 00:39:03:05
bill seems to be the the can
that continually gets kicked to the curb.

00:39:03:18 - 00:39:07:03
There's no legislation out there right now
that is going to increase

00:39:07:04 - 00:39:11:04
new recycling centers or pay
the existing recycling centers more money.

00:39:12:09 - 00:39:13:07
So we're

00:39:13:07 - 00:39:16:19
hoping through your leadership
comments, discussions that you're having

00:39:17:07 - 00:39:19:26
with administrative staff
and legislative staff,

00:39:20:14 - 00:39:24:14
that there can be some solutions
that can be acted, enacted,

00:39:24:14 - 00:39:26:12
hopefully in the next month or two

00:39:26:12 - 00:39:29:06
that will actually result
in new redemption centers being opened

00:39:29:19 - 00:39:34:07
in underserved areas, in the existing
recycling centers being paid a higher

00:39:34:07 - 00:39:37:17
amount than what they're paid right now
because it's just not cutting it.

00:39:37:17 - 00:39:42:05
There's not enough incentive to open a
recycling center in these high cost areas.

00:39:43:14 - 00:39:45:08
So thank you for your consideration.

00:39:45:08 - 00:39:48:08
If have any questions, I'm available.

00:39:49:08 - 00:39:50:09
Thank you so much, Mr.

00:39:50:09 - 00:39:50:17
Dunleavy

00:39:50:17 - 00:39:54:10
Very much appreciate your comments
and your engagement with this program.

00:39:54:29 - 00:39:55:05
Okay.

00:39:55:05 - 00:39:55:26
Thank you.

00:40:03:05 - 00:40:06:01
Hey, everybody,
How you do and happy Tuesday.

00:40:06:01 - 00:40:07:12

My name is Paul Bahou

00:40:07:12 - 00:40:09:29

I'm the president of Global Plastics
Recycling.

00:40:10:06 - 00:40:11:19

We are a reclaimers

00:40:11:19 - 00:40:15:20

based in Paris, California,
the only family business in this space.

00:40:15:20 - 00:40:18:03

Everyone,
we compete with their big billion dollar

00:40:18:03 - 00:40:19:24

multinational conglomerates.

00:40:19:24 - 00:40:21:23

And then there's me. Yeah.

00:40:21:23 - 00:40:24:14

So I just kind of wanted to draw a

00:40:24:14 - 00:40:28:03

through line from what
The gentleman from Guyton. Is that what

00:40:28:04 - 00:40:31:22

the company's called? Guyton? To Mings to me.

00:40:31:28 - 00:40:34:19

So it's all part of this kind of supply
chain.

00:40:34:29 - 00:40:38:29

And I want you guys to kind of think of it
not as like siloed segments,

00:40:38:29 - 00:40:43:00

but as the human body,
you know, the arm bones connected

00:40:43:00 - 00:40:46:23
to the wrist bone raise, bones
connected to the hand bone, right.

00:40:46:23 - 00:40:47:24
Same kind of thing.

00:40:47:24 - 00:40:51:13
So Bales from Guyton
go to our good friend Jeff

00:40:51:13 - 00:40:53:02
at Mings. They get it

00:40:53:02 - 00:40:56:12
They they bale it,
and then I buy it through PRCC,

00:40:56:14 - 00:40:58:21
who is also in attendance.

00:40:58:21 - 00:41:00:11
See, the whole gang's here.

00:41:00:11 - 00:41:04:05
So I'm the one that takes the bales,
breaks them apart, sorts out

00:41:04:05 - 00:41:08:02
the junk, grinds
it washes it and then sells it to either

00:41:08:08 - 00:41:11:04
the bottle to bottle direction,
or to the thermoforming direction.

00:41:11:04 - 00:41:14:12
So we are the hidden middle
part of this whole process.

00:41:14:25 - 00:41:18:19
And I came today,
I flew up, got the early flight

00:41:20:01 - 00:41:21:12
to for two things.

00:41:21:12 - 00:41:24:07

First is to tell you that like

00:41:25:06 - 00:41:28:28

we need the PMDP announcement ASAP

00:41:29:12 - 00:41:33:02

because like Jeff was saying,
it's just been it's been bad.

00:41:33:02 - 00:41:34:24

It's been bad for probably three quarters.

00:41:34:24 - 00:41:37:11

You know, everything
just fell off of a cliff in September.

00:41:37:16 - 00:41:39:27

The market lost 80% of its value.

00:41:39:27 - 00:41:41:28

I mean, people were jumping
off of buildings

00:41:41:28 - 00:41:43:20

during the Great Depression for less.

00:41:43:20 - 00:41:45:13

So it was pretty bad.

00:41:45:13 - 00:41:48:17

And things got a little better,
but then it just kind of stagnated.

00:41:48:17 - 00:41:53:00

And right now we're at 12% of pound bales
for A-grade, really, really low.

00:41:53:07 - 00:41:56:03

And I think that the problem
I'm experiencing, it kind of trickles,

00:41:57:09 - 00:41:59:16

which is twofold. The first is that

00:41:59:16 - 00:42:02:18
we kind of had this force majeure issue
with all of the storms.

00:42:02:18 - 00:42:05:26
All the wet weather came
in the thermoforming industry

00:42:06:09 - 00:42:09:07
under water as all these farms are now
a lake in the Central Valley.

00:42:09:14 - 00:42:11:25
Everything is too wet. Driscoll's there.

00:42:11:25 - 00:42:14:21
Their suppliers can't even harvest
because it's too muddy out there.

00:42:14:29 - 00:42:20:12
So the demand shriveled simultaneously
the cost to ship from East Asia

00:42:20:21 - 00:42:25:11
to the port of Long Beach
or to California massively dropped

00:42:25:27 - 00:42:28:22
during COVID,
it was up to 20 grand a container.

00:42:29:13 - 00:42:30:22
My buddy Irvin does a lot of exporting.

00:42:30:22 - 00:42:33:27
Irvin
What was the most you paid for the ship?

00:42:34:29 - 00:42:35:07
Well,

00:42:35:07 - 00:42:38:09
how expensive, How expensive did it get?

00:42:38:09 - 00:42:39:12
No, no, no, not right now.

00:42:39:12 - 00:42:42:16
I'm saying during COVID, buddy,
when it was when it was crazy expensive,

00:42:43:08 - 00:42:44:16
how much was it?

00:42:45:00 - 00:42:45:27
Yikes.

00:42:45:27 - 00:42:48:19
25,000.
Just to ship from East Asia to here.

00:42:48:26 - 00:42:50:23
Now, how much is it?

00:42:53:12 - 00:42:56:09
Wow. So all of this material
that was building up

00:42:56:09 - 00:42:57:21
in East Asia that couldn't get over here

00:42:57:21 - 00:43:00:02
because the cost of logistics
was too high to bring it over?

00:43:00:09 - 00:43:02:12
Now it's just flooding the market.

00:43:02:12 - 00:43:06:05
And I find myself
competing with companies from East Asia

00:43:06:12 - 00:43:10:04
who are selling Flake for up to \$0.10
less than I'm selling it.

00:43:10:09 - 00:43:13:29
And so that's why you've had this price
just slowly go down and go down

00:43:13:29 - 00:43:17:03

and you see the misery from things
and the misery from Guyton,

00:43:17:10 - 00:43:20:03
because I, you know,
I was only buying half capacity

00:43:20:03 - 00:43:24:09
if that during the busy season
because I didn't have the orders.

00:43:24:09 - 00:43:30:01
And so these guys who much like us, it's
a very seasonal business

00:43:30:01 - 00:43:31:26
and you have your good months
and you have your bad months,

00:43:31:26 - 00:43:32:29
and then at the end it balances out

00:43:32:29 - 00:43:34:21
and you hope that you turn a profit
at the end of it.

00:43:34:21 - 00:43:36:17
Well, it's been nothing but bad months.

00:43:36:17 - 00:43:39:01
And so you had the weather
that decreased the demand,

00:43:39:01 - 00:43:41:21
but then at the same time
you had this cheap material coming in.

00:43:41:27 - 00:43:45:17
So for wet demand, there was
it was all coming from East Asia.

00:43:45:27 - 00:43:50:10
So we were struggling,
which means he's struggling,

00:43:50:10 - 00:43:54:21

which means he's struggling
and it just kind of rolls downhill Now.

00:43:55:04 - 00:43:57:25
I was in June and I was struggling.

00:43:57:25 - 00:44:00:01
Usually June, everyone's coming to me,
everyone's be a best friend.

00:44:00:01 - 00:44:01:27
Hey, Paul, what's up?
I can get ten low take.

00:44:01:27 - 00:44:02:21
Can I get this?

00:44:02:21 - 00:44:04:21
I'm a popular guy. In June this year.

00:44:04:24 - 00:44:06:03
Nothing Phone

00:44:08:12 - 00:44:12:04
dead So suddenly,

00:44:12:25 - 00:44:15:22
when we came back from 4th of July,
I started getting a lot of calls

00:44:15:27 - 00:44:20:12
and a lot of people started saying,
Hey, I want to get some orders now.

00:44:20:12 - 00:44:25:08
What happened
the last week of June to change things?

00:44:26:01 - 00:44:27:07
Any ideas?

00:44:27:27 - 00:44:29:12
It's okay. You don't know.

00:44:29:21 - 00:44:33:02

Governor Newsom signed
the extra PMDP bump into law.

00:44:33:09 - 00:44:36:29
So now the people who are connected
with that said, oh, wow, my,

00:44:36:29 - 00:44:39:08
my, \$0.03
a pound is now going to turn into six.

00:44:39:08 - 00:44:40:14
Turn it is seven.

00:44:40:14 - 00:44:42:29
Now, that's more of a reason for me
to buy the California stuff,

00:44:42:29 - 00:44:44:12
not the import stuff.

00:44:44:12 - 00:44:48:20
So the people who are like, connected with
it, they started buying overnight, boom.

00:44:48:29 - 00:44:50:08
I started having orders.

00:44:50:08 - 00:44:52:09
I started hiring people again.

00:44:52:09 - 00:44:53:26
Good news, right? This is what you want.

00:44:54:27 - 00:44:55:24
But there

00:44:55:24 - 00:44:58:15
are other companies,
bigger buyers, bottling companies

00:44:58:24 - 00:45:03:10
that need an official announcement
before they change any behavior.

00:45:03:18 - 00:45:06:15

And I think that once
you guys make that announcement

00:45:06:15 - 00:45:07:29
and the sooner the better,

00:45:07:29 - 00:45:11:08
they're going to change their buying
strategies because now suddenly, oh,

00:45:11:27 - 00:45:15:06
if I buy this California stuff,
I'm going to make \$0.07 a pound extra.

00:45:15:11 - 00:45:18:00
So now I can buy this instead of the stuff
that I'm importing.

00:45:18:00 - 00:45:21:11
There's always a month kind of a delay
because it's containers on the ocean.

00:45:21:20 - 00:45:23:18
But this is how you turned around.
Real quick.

00:45:23:18 - 00:45:25:15
You can solve my problem.

00:45:25:15 - 00:45:28:24
Jeff's problem and the gentleman
who I've never met, but over there,

00:45:29:02 - 00:45:29:28
it's all connected.

00:45:29:28 - 00:45:34:17
And you can kind of fix this with with,
I think, something that's well within your

00:45:36:06 - 00:45:36:29
within your means,

00:45:36:29 - 00:45:40:16
which is just make the announcement,
announce it ASAP, announce it yesterday.

00:45:40:23 - 00:45:42:02
Let all the big players know.

00:45:42:02 - 00:45:45:09
Hey, guys,
California's got got the subsidy.

00:45:45:09 - 00:45:47:18
It's bigger. It's here.

00:45:47:18 - 00:45:50:15
Come to dinner and that's what we need.

00:45:50:15 - 00:45:51:14
And that's why I flew up here

00:45:51:14 - 00:45:54:18
today, is just to implore
you guys, please make the announcement.

00:45:54:18 - 00:45:56:19
And I would also add,

00:45:56:20 - 00:45:59:25
if you could make it retroactive,
because we've just been suffering

00:45:59:25 - 00:46:01:11
and getting slaughtered.

00:46:01:11 - 00:46:05:12
And, you know, if you guys said,
oh yeah, it starts in Q3,

00:46:05:13 - 00:46:07:27
everything from July forward for the next
two years, you're going to get this.

00:46:07:27 - 00:46:10:15
That's awesome
because that changes everyone's

00:46:11:22 - 00:46:15:03
approach to purchasing, particularly
the bigger firms who think bigger.

00:46:16:06 - 00:46:18:09

But if you can make it retroactive,

00:46:18:09 - 00:46:21:06

that means we can start
getting checks on the next one.

00:46:21:06 - 00:46:23:12

We can get this relief ASAP as opposed to,

00:46:23:12 - 00:46:26:06

Oh, I'm not going to see anything
until Q2 2024.

00:46:26:20 - 00:46:28:11

We're still really struggling.

00:46:29:24 - 00:46:31:08

In September, before the market dropped,

00:46:31:08 - 00:46:34:07

I had like 130 employees
and now I'm at like 90.

00:46:35:04 - 00:46:36:24

Not great, particularly in June.

00:46:36:24 - 00:46:37:29

This is when I'm supposed to be busy.

00:46:37:29 - 00:46:40:07

This is what I'm supposed to be seven days
a week and cranking out

00:46:40:14 - 00:46:42:18

and buying all of Geoff's inventory.

00:46:42:26 - 00:46:44:21

And actually just because I got these,

00:46:44:21 - 00:46:48:03

this first wave of orders, I'm getting
like three loads a day from you guys now.

00:46:48:20 - 00:46:50:25

So it's we're making it happen.

00:46:50:25 - 00:46:51:20

We're making it happen.

00:46:51:20 - 00:46:55:29

It's just the beginning
and there's obviously how you guys play

00:46:55:29 - 00:46:59:23

it will really make a difference in terms
of how quickly we're able to

00:47:00:09 - 00:47:02:03

capitalize on this.

00:47:02:03 - 00:47:04:21

You know, this extra money
that's that's been awarded and

00:47:05:11 - 00:47:07:26

can really go a long way
to solving all of our immediate problems.

00:47:07:26 - 00:47:10:08

Obviously, there's bigger picture issues,
there's other things.

00:47:10:13 - 00:47:11:23

There's always work to be done.

00:47:11:23 - 00:47:15:27

But for like right now,
that is the single best thing you

00:47:15:27 - 00:47:17:18

can do to kind of jump start

00:47:18:21 - 00:47:21:05

this patient
having cardiac arrest on the table.

00:47:21:17 - 00:47:27:17

So I am 100% available for you guys
if you ever want to have questions

00:47:27:17 - 00:47:28:22

about the market and

00:47:28:22 - 00:47:32:05

and how this whole thing fits together
and why is this happening,

00:47:32:05 - 00:47:34:24

Why is this guy coming to my my office
and yelling at me?

00:47:34:24 - 00:47:37:16

And why is this person saying they're
broke hat in hand asking for extra money?

00:47:37:28 - 00:47:40:01

I can tell you this stuff
because I'm the one in the middle.

00:47:40:15 - 00:47:43:08

I'm the one that processes it
and then I'm the one that knows where

00:47:43:08 - 00:47:46:07

you know who's buying or you know where
it's going if it's being used.

00:47:46:20 - 00:47:49:14

So there is a huge marketplace
and it's great.

00:47:49:14 - 00:47:53:06

And California
has this amazing integrate system

00:47:53:12 - 00:47:55:16

and it just needs to be taken care of.

00:47:55:27 - 00:47:59:07

And the best way to do that is to make
sure all aspects of it are healthy.

00:47:59:15 - 00:48:02:13

From the recycling center and the MRF,
all the way to the end user.

00:48:02:22 - 00:48:07:06

And I do think that the PMDP is the vehicle to make this happen.

00:48:07:18 - 00:48:10:10

So I implore you again, please,

00:48:10:10 - 00:48:13:21

as soon as you can make the announcement, people are waiting.

00:48:13:21 - 00:48:17:08

Once you do that, it's it's going to open things up.

00:48:18:02 - 00:48:19:18

Yeah, that's it. Thanks, guys.

00:48:22:09 - 00:48:24:09

Thank you for your comment.

00:48:29:12 - 00:48:31:17

Good morning, Director Wagoner,

00:48:31:17 - 00:48:34:20

staff. After that presentation, I don't know what PMDP is,

00:48:34:20 - 00:48:38:22

but I want in on that and so we get access,

00:48:38:22 - 00:48:39:12

great.

00:48:39:23 - 00:48:41:22

My name is Joe Perez and I work with Ohlins Recycling.

00:48:41:22 - 00:48:46:12

We're a silicon based technology company and wanted some clarification

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on, I believe AB101 that says

00:48:49:16 - 00:48:53:15
there are \$73 million

00:48:53:15 - 00:48:57:20
available for building recycling
infrastructure with our BMS and backdrop.

00:48:57:20 - 00:49:00:29
Wanted to get an idea of
when that was available, if it's available

00:49:00:29 - 00:49:04:03
and how we can help our retail partners
get access to that.

00:49:06:20 - 00:49:08:15
Yes. Yeah.

00:49:08:15 - 00:49:09:25
Yeah. Thank you for your question.

00:49:09:25 - 00:49:14:17
And we're right now in the process
of brainstorming, developing criteria,

00:49:14:26 - 00:49:17:06
and we're hoping
bring those either through workshop,

00:49:17:24 - 00:49:20:17
through our listserv to you all very,
very soon.

00:49:21:03 - 00:49:21:19
Okay.

00:49:21:27 - 00:49:26:08
So just to put some light on that
so as the

00:49:26:10 - 00:49:29:21
and this conversation
is really enlightening in this respect

00:49:29:21 - 00:49:34:13

today, the beverage container recycling program is in

00:49:34:14 - 00:49:37:22
a transition period, in an evolution period, because a number of pieces

00:49:37:22 - 00:49:40:26
of legislation that passed budget appropriations that have been made.

00:49:41:22 - 00:49:46:12
And as we are trying to integrate more opportunities for technology,

00:49:46:12 - 00:49:51:09
we are in a bit of a this transition period is a bit of a limbo

00:49:51:19 - 00:49:55:03
between the way we used to do things and where we're trying to get to.

00:49:55:03 - 00:49:58:12
So in developing that criteria, we really want to help

00:50:00:01 - 00:50:01:10
create a

00:50:01:10 - 00:50:05:20
longevity for these solutions to come to market and really be successful

00:50:05:20 - 00:50:11:21
so that these initial investments by the state can be sustainable

00:50:11:21 - 00:50:14:19
and without subsidization in the long term.

00:50:15:03 - 00:50:18:15
So that is a little bit of a period of trying

00:50:18:15 - 00:50:20:12
to figure out
how to develop that criteria.

00:50:20:12 - 00:50:23:21
So the long term, the short term market
development

00:50:24:04 - 00:50:28:29
leads to long term sustainability
and success so that you don't have

00:50:28:29 - 00:50:31:24
to keep coming back and looking for more,

00:50:32:11 - 00:50:36:08
more statutory or budgetary support for.

00:50:36:17 - 00:50:37:20
Well, we appreciate that.

00:50:37:20 - 00:50:41:10
We'd love to be part of any projects
or committees if available.

00:50:42:05 - 00:50:44:19
Also wanted to talk a little bit
about the handle.

00:50:44:19 - 00:50:47:14
If you we know to handle a few changes in
July of next year.

00:50:47:14 - 00:50:49:18
We know that it's at a penny now,
a little over penny.

00:50:49:18 - 00:50:51:05
Historically it's been below that.

00:50:51:05 - 00:50:53:12
Are there any plans to keep it
above a penny?

00:50:53:12 - 00:50:58:17

If you look at all of the other nine dry states, they're all well over a penny.

00:50:58:17 - 00:51:00:01

And I think that would be helpful for folks

00:51:00:01 - 00:51:03:00

like our friends in the back that operate over the scale

00:51:03:01 - 00:51:06:17

operations and basically NERC that's on our grocery store parking lot.

00:51:06:17 - 00:51:10:13

I think it'd be very beneficial to keep the handling fee at a, at a reasonable,

00:51:11:05 - 00:51:15:25

uh. So that all of the formulas for payment out of this program

00:51:15:25 - 00:51:19:21

are very prescribed pursuant to the statute.

00:51:19:21 - 00:51:23:01

So it will you know, what we really want to do

00:51:23:01 - 00:51:25:26

is find a way to make the system again,

00:51:26:11 - 00:51:30:29

give it the longevity and sustainability and support those businesses

00:51:30:29 - 00:51:34:03

that are going to have that that are

00:51:34:03 - 00:51:37:04

going to contribute in that in that way. So

00:51:38:03 - 00:51:41:05

definitely worth a conversation
in that context.

00:51:41:05 - 00:51:45:18
But keeping in mind that it is
very prescribed, this is not a subjective

00:51:47:18 - 00:51:50:04
judgment or on the basis

00:51:50:05 - 00:51:54:00
of a or on the part of the department,

00:51:54:19 - 00:51:58:09
and that we really have to
just follow the law.

00:51:58:24 - 00:52:00:09
Okay, Appreciate that.

00:52:00:09 - 00:52:00:28
Thank you.

00:52:00:28 - 00:52:03:16
And then some final comment comments

00:52:04:24 - 00:52:06:18
with regard to electronic payments.

00:52:06:18 - 00:52:09:21
So resource code 14 531

00:52:10:25 - 00:52:13:09
was legislated in 2019

00:52:14:05 - 00:52:18:15
and it affords our seas
to make electronic payments to consumers.

00:52:18:15 - 00:52:21:16
So it was in the legislation
that's been passed, but it hasn't been put

00:52:21:23 - 00:52:23:12
or adopted into regulation.

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So curious
to see when it could be adopted,

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because that's a great benefit

00:52:27:25 - 00:52:30:28

to not only the recyclers out there
that would love to offer that,

00:52:31:07 - 00:52:33:12

but also many of the retailer partners
that we work with.

00:52:33:12 - 00:52:36:13

I've been in this space for over 15 years
working with all the major grocers

00:52:36:24 - 00:52:40:25

and they really don't like the cash
or the voucher system in their store.

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They prefer it just take let the recycler
take the onus on being able

00:52:45:13 - 00:52:46:14

to make electronic payments.

00:52:46:14 - 00:52:49:15

So it's in legislation,
but it has not been adopted in regulation.

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We'd love to see
how soon that could happen.

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Appreciate the

00:52:54:13 - 00:52:57:16

comment and we'll go back
and and take that under advisement.

00:52:57:16 - 00:52:59:02

I think it's a great opportunity

00:52:59:02 - 00:53:02:11
for us to integrate that into the work
that we're doing to implement

00:53:02:11 - 00:53:04:13
the other aspects of the changes
to this program.

00:53:04:24 - 00:53:07:27
Awesome, great.

00:53:08:07 - 00:53:09:04
I think that's all I have.

00:53:09:04 - 00:53:11:02
Thank you so much for your time.

00:53:12:03 - 00:53:12:17
Thank you.

00:53:12:17 - 00:53:15:04
Thank you for participating today.

00:53:17:02 - 00:53:17:21
Morning.

00:53:19:02 - 00:53:20:24
Hi, Sally Horton, PRCC.

00:53:20:24 - 00:53:24:19
I just want to emphasize and reiterate
what these guys are saying.

00:53:25:11 - 00:53:26:27
So we're the buyers.

00:53:26:27 - 00:53:30:00
Well, we represent the brands
and as you can imagine,

00:53:30:00 - 00:53:32:22
our concern
is getting enough mandated content.

00:53:33:18 - 00:53:35:28
And so we're that one step

00:53:35:28 - 00:53:38:09
high on the sort of on the buyer end.

00:53:38:17 - 00:53:40:12
And so we want to support the reclaimers.

00:53:40:12 - 00:53:43:07
We want to make sure that the processes
and recyclers are made whole.

00:53:43:28 - 00:53:47:06
So I think CalRecycle, as Jeff
pointed out, can,

00:53:47:16 - 00:53:51:08
can look a little more closely
at some of the the formulas that are used.

00:53:51:24 - 00:53:54:00
For example, as Jeff mentioned about

00:53:54:25 - 00:53:57:29
you know, the processing,
the processing payments

00:53:57:29 - 00:54:00:19
that some of that language could be
perhaps CalRecycle,

00:54:00:19 - 00:54:02:02
I know you're within the law,

00:54:02:02 - 00:54:04:04
but that's something that
you could interpret to help.

00:54:05:03 - 00:54:05:27
I'm also want to

00:54:05:27 - 00:54:09:29
emphasize
that we're also supporting a bill, SB 353,

00:54:10:05 - 00:54:13:27

which is changing the processing payments
and the speed of the processing payments

00:54:13:27 - 00:54:16:11

so that they're not every year
that they're every three months.

00:54:17:03 - 00:54:19:14

And we're also trying to in that bill
itself, we're

00:54:19:14 - 00:54:22:18

putting more money towards the reclaimers
actually, we're hoping to spend

00:54:22:28 - 00:54:27:13

or to have 30 million from the redemption,
you know, from the

00:54:28:06 - 00:54:32:03

from the money from this
from the pot to help with recycling.

00:54:32:03 - 00:54:33:09

So I'm really trying to push here

00:54:33:09 - 00:54:37:00

that recycling CalRecycle, can
look at some of the formulas that they do

00:54:37:06 - 00:54:41:18

and perhaps interpret them
a little bit more in favor of recyclers.

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That is within the law
that can be done with a COLA,

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that can be done
with the processing payments

00:54:45:26 - 00:54:50:03

and certainly with as as Jeff mentioned,
with the processing payments.

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But please, with mandated content coming,

00:54:52:06 - 00:54:55:24

we have to support the recycling centers,
We have to make them whole.

00:54:56:08 - 00:54:58:21

Whatever you can do
to make sure that they are

00:54:58:27 - 00:55:02:01

if we lose more, we're not going to meet
our mandated content.

00:55:02:01 - 00:55:03:09

It's as simple as that.

00:55:03:09 - 00:55:04:04

And we want to make sure

00:55:04:04 - 00:55:06:29

that everyone in that infrastructure,
every stakeholder is made whole.

00:55:07:18 - 00:55:09:07

That's really
all I want to say. Thank you.

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Are there any more

00:55:15:21 - 00:55:18:23

comments in the room today?

00:55:21:15 - 00:55:23:16

Looks like there's one more.

00:55:25:21 - 00:55:26:05

Yeah. Thank you.

00:55:26:05 - 00:55:30:11

Just want to add a couple more things
for those playing along at home.

00:55:31:07 - 00:55:33:12

Paul was was very good
talking about the PMDP,

00:55:34:08 - 00:55:36:15

the plastic market development payments.

00:55:37:06 - 00:55:43:01

They were scheduled to decrease from \$10
million last year to 7 million this year.

00:55:43:01 - 00:55:49:16

And then 3 million in FY 2425,
and then they were going to be eliminated.

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I believe the budget
the government used some sign authorized

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\$10 Million in the PMDP money
for the next five years

00:55:57:19 - 00:56:01:20

that, like he said, it
equates to an extra 3 to \$0.04.

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That helps the beverage manufacturers,
it helps the reclaimers

00:56:07:08 - 00:56:10:23

and that money comes from the processor
that goes right to the recycling centers.

00:56:11:06 - 00:56:14:20

So with that being announced,
as soon as that gets announced,

00:56:14:20 - 00:56:15:26

I think that will stimulate

00:56:16:27 - 00:56:17:23

more buyers.

00:56:17:23 - 00:56:21:07

And we're talking major buyers
coming back into the market

00:56:22:12 - 00:56:22:25
right now.

00:56:22:25 - 00:56:25:15
Mexico, who is sitting on the sidelines

00:56:25:25 - 00:56:28:04
for buying containers from California,

00:56:29:00 - 00:56:32:13
they weren't there because the market
was falling two weeks ago.

00:56:32:16 - 00:56:35:19
The doors to Mexico were wide open
because they're predicting

00:56:35:19 - 00:56:39:12
this is the bottom of the market,
But they're not offering more prices.

00:56:39:12 - 00:56:40:16
They're just trying to gobble up

00:56:40:16 - 00:56:44:00
as much as they can at the lowest price
that's out there.

00:56:44:18 - 00:56:48:04
And then what would happen in turn,
they would buy it at the low price,

00:56:48:13 - 00:56:53:02
use their low land labor in and operating

00:56:53:02 - 00:56:56:26
costs to compete again
against the California reclaimers.

00:56:56:26 - 00:56:59:28
So that's just something to be aware of.

00:57:00:19 - 00:57:02:12

One of the things that I missed in

00:57:02:12 - 00:57:05:05
and Joe was talking
about through the regulations,

00:57:06:00 - 00:57:09:29
hopefully there could be a workshop
with the recycling centers

00:57:09:29 - 00:57:13:10
and the processors talking about
the regulations that need to be changed.

00:57:13:10 - 00:57:15:14
There's many that are out there.

00:57:15:14 - 00:57:18:21
One that I would like to ask
as we're heading into the heavy

00:57:18:21 - 00:57:22:02
season, is the 100 pound load limit.

00:57:22:02 - 00:57:24:19
I talked about it before, but right now

00:57:25:04 - 00:57:29:06
honest recycling centers have to turn away
or pay scrap

00:57:29:25 - 00:57:32:16
to a consumer
that comes in with over 100 pounds.

00:57:33:00 - 00:57:36:00
I'd like to see if we could change
the legislations that would allow

00:57:36:11 - 00:57:40:18
the recycling centers to accept over 100 pounds
with definitely some controls

00:57:40:18 - 00:57:41:15
put on them.

00:57:41:15 - 00:57:44:06
Going back to the old 250 logs
where we would have to report

00:57:44:06 - 00:57:47:13
every day
somebody that brings in over a load limit.

00:57:47:13 - 00:57:51:23
But having some verification
that it's a local business or a local

00:57:52:15 - 00:57:56:12
organization within a certain distance
from the recycling center,

00:57:57:19 - 00:58:00:09
because the honest
recycling centers are losing business

00:58:00:24 - 00:58:04:26
if we turn somebody away or if we did turn
somebody away, they could easily go

00:58:04:26 - 00:58:08:23
find somebody that was going to skirt
the regulations and split the load.

00:58:09:04 - 00:58:10:03
I think they're

00:58:10:03 - 00:58:12:22
you're going to have overwhelming support
from the recycling centers

00:58:13:17 - 00:58:17:21
to amend the regulations
on a 100 pound load limits and being willing

00:58:17:21 - 00:58:21:29
to work with you and provide information
on those that might have large loads,

00:58:23:06 - 00:58:26:05
especially going into January one, 2024,

00:58:26:18 - 00:58:30:09
with wine and spirits
entering the program, those

00:58:30:09 - 00:58:33:29
that collect from bars and restaurants
are going to exceed the 1,000 pound limit.

00:58:34:28 - 00:58:38:09
That's pretty much a guarantee
which is going to put the recycling center

00:58:38:10 - 00:58:42:04
operators into a,
I'll say, a combative situation

00:58:42:26 - 00:58:47:09
with these customers
coming in that have 11, 12 hundred,

00:58:47:09 - 00:58:51:17
1300 pounds that they've collected
from a major bar or restaurant.

00:58:51:27 - 00:58:54:23
But if there was some allowance
to gather that information

00:58:54:23 - 00:58:58:22
to make sure that it was truly
a local person or business,

00:58:59:07 - 00:59:01:15
I'm sure all the recycling centers
will get on board with that.

00:59:03:02 - 00:59:05:15
Prepayment controls has been an issue
in the past

00:59:05:27 - 00:59:09:14
where there's been spikes in CalRecycle
just kind of shuts the door

00:59:09:14 - 00:59:12:25

and says
the processors have to hold payments until

00:59:14:00 - 00:59:17:14
car recycle gives them the green light
with prepayment controls

00:59:17:14 - 00:59:20:26
that could easily
put a small recycling center

00:59:22:09 - 00:59:26:03
on the verge of bankruptcy
because all their cash is tied up in

00:59:26:25 - 00:59:27:29
the money that they've paid out.

00:59:27:29 - 00:59:29:23
So hopefully in the near future

00:59:29:23 - 00:59:32:04
we can schedule a workshop
with the recycling centers

00:59:33:01 - 00:59:35:26
and the processors,
just grab the white board

00:59:35:29 - 00:59:40:03
or whatever we're using these days
and toss out all the ideas

00:59:40:03 - 00:59:42:28
that recycling centers
and processors would like help

00:59:43:04 - 00:59:46:00
changing the regulations
to make it easier to do business.

00:59:46:13 - 00:59:48:16
In the program today. So thank you.

00:59:54:11 - 00:59:56:20

Anyone else have a comment in the room today?

00:59:57:21 - 01:00:00:07
Okay, so now we will move to

01:00:00:07 - 01:00:03:00
our public comment portal comments.

01:00:03:10 - 01:00:04:24
And today CalRecycle

01:00:04:24 - 01:00:06:27
Chief Deputy Director
Mandy McIntyre is here

01:00:06:27 - 01:00:09:13
to guide us through public comments
submitted digitally.

01:00:12:05 - 01:00:15:09
I do want to clarify, though,
that I did notice

01:00:15:09 - 01:00:18:13
in a couple of the public comments today
that there were items

01:00:18:13 - 01:00:20:17
not directly related to

01:00:21:21 - 01:00:25:01
to agenda items or specifically

01:00:25:01 - 01:00:28:23
to CalRecycle's
implementation of programs.

01:00:29:22 - 01:00:34:07
And so I'm going to ask that the deputy
director not read those comments.

01:00:34:07 - 01:00:38:22
I don't think it's appropriate for members
of the public to use this public forum

01:00:39:02 - 01:00:41:23
to advertise their own services

01:00:42:05 - 01:00:45:10
for specific implementation
of our programs.

01:00:46:05 - 01:00:49:04
And so any comments to that effect
will not be read

01:00:49:23 - 01:00:51:02
pursuant to this public meeting.

01:00:55:27 - 01:00:59:17
The first comment is from Nigel Dart
from Halo Gas.

01:00:59:21 - 01:01:01:20
Glass Recycling Apologies.

01:01:01:20 - 01:01:01:29
Halo.

01:01:01:29 - 01:01:05:11
Glass Recycling has recently entered
the Glass Beneficiation business

01:01:05:21 - 01:01:09:08
and would like some clarification around
the recent notice, with the subject line

01:01:09:08 - 01:01:11:22
making full CRV payments
to recycling centers.

01:01:13:07 - 01:01:15:06
When we are supplied
single stream material,

01:01:15:06 - 01:01:18:13
the material often has a negative value
due to contamination levels.

01:01:18:13 - 01:01:21:15

As a result, the final payment is less than the CRV amount.

01:01:21:15 - 01:01:24:26

Does this mean we are in violation?

01:01:27:09 - 01:01:28:01

Hi Nigel.

01:01:28:01 - 01:01:29:20

Thank you for reaching out.

01:01:29:20 - 01:01:33:14

I'm going to have our staff call you specifically to talk about this situation

01:01:33:14 - 01:01:37:09

because each situation might be a little bit different depending on what

01:01:37:10 - 01:01:38:04

type of program.

01:01:38:04 - 01:01:39:11

You're purchasing from, whether.

01:01:39:11 - 01:01:42:12

It's a recycling center versus curbside, etc.,

01:01:42:23 - 01:01:45:09

and other factors associated with your program.

01:01:45:15 - 01:01:49:24

So our statistical information section will call you later today.

01:01:49:24 - 01:01:54:04

And I believe that they've been in touch with your staff in the last few days.

01:01:54:10 - 01:01:54:24

Thanks.

01:01:57:27 - 01:02:01:00

Next comments from Karim Ameri
from Recycling Innovations.

01:02:01:15 - 01:02:05:21
What is a 73.3 million available
to build recycling infrastructure

01:02:05:21 - 01:02:10:19
bag dropped in RBNs handling fees
keep handling fees over a penny.

01:02:11:21 - 01:02:13:24
California
recycling operators have the highest cost

01:02:13:24 - 01:02:17:03
of operating
compared to the nine other dry states.

01:02:17:12 - 01:02:20:12
Nine of the ten bottle bill states
have a much higher handling

01:02:20:12 - 01:02:23:28
fee payment for handling you because

01:02:23:28 - 01:02:27:12
they lost the the amount here.

01:02:27:18 - 01:02:28:20
So appreciate that.

01:02:28:20 - 01:02:33:00
And as one of our other stakeholders
who participated here mentioned,

01:02:33:18 - 01:02:37:24
we are working on those criteria again
as the beverage container

01:02:37:24 - 01:02:40:05
recycling program
is in a period of transition,

01:02:40:06 - 01:02:43:29

trying to figure out
how to integrate that technology in a way

01:02:43:29 - 01:02:48:24
that is compliant with the act as well,
bringing us into the evolution

01:02:48:24 - 01:02:52:01
of the technological,
technological evolution

01:02:52:01 - 01:02:54:18
that we need to get to
is absolutely critical.

01:02:54:18 - 01:02:58:05
And so we're working on that criteria now
and hopefully we'll have that out here

01:02:58:05 - 01:02:59:08
in the next couple of months.

01:03:03:17 - 01:03:06:27
The next comment is from Leonard Lang.

01:03:07:15 - 01:03:10:11
I'm just going to read it
as is what communication says

01:03:10:11 - 01:03:14:06
the department had with the legislature
regarding changing the law

01:03:14:06 - 01:03:17:02
pertaining to processing payments
to avoid these problems.

01:03:19:09 - 01:03:21:18
Mr. Lang,
thank you for your comment and question.

01:03:21:18 - 01:03:25:08
It is not appropriate for the department,
as we are part of the executive

01:03:25:08 - 01:03:28:15

branch,
to comment on the legislative process.

01:03:28:15 - 01:03:30:02
When the legislature reaches out

01:03:30:02 - 01:03:34:16
to the executive branch or the department
specifically for technical assistance.

01:03:34:16 - 01:03:35:13
We do provide that.

01:03:35:13 - 01:03:39:23
But in terms of our opinion
and comment on the legislative process,

01:03:39:23 - 01:03:42:01
that is not appropriate.

01:03:43:27 - 01:03:44:13
Next comment

01:03:44:13 - 01:03:46:19
is from Jose Ponce Ponce Recycling.

01:03:47:14 - 01:03:49:02
Dear Director, My name is Jose Ponce.

01:03:49:02 - 01:03:50:02
I am with Ponce Recycling

01:03:50:02 - 01:03:53:05
in the last couple of weeks,
but scrap value has dropped \$0.08.

01:03:53:05 - 01:03:56:19
We are now very close to the zero mark
based on the market information,

01:03:56:19 - 01:03:59:15
the next couple of weeks of PET
will drop another \$0.05.

01:03:59:15 - 01:04:02:16

If this happens, the plastic scrap prices will be in the negatives

01:04:02:16 - 01:04:05:19
and if plastic goes negative,
the processors will have no choice

01:04:05:19 - 01:04:08:22
but to pass the loss onto the aluminum
scrap price.

01:04:09:04 - 01:04:12:12
Given the aluminum, aluminum scrap
price is already low,

01:04:12:23 - 01:04:14:15
this will have a catastrophic effect.

01:04:14:15 - 01:04:17:03
Thank you for the five cent increase
on the processing payment.

01:04:17:03 - 01:04:19:00
Unfortunately,
with the current scrap prices

01:04:19:00 - 01:04:21:25
being close to zero,
\$0.13 will have little effect.

01:04:22:06 - 01:04:24:10
The fact is the increase
does not come close

01:04:24:10 - 01:04:27:10
to covering all the costs
associated with the processing,

01:04:28:14 - 01:04:30:15
with processing the PET plastic.

01:04:30:15 - 01:04:34:06
Just to give you an example,
the average cost to deliver a PET container

01:04:34:06 - 01:04:37:15

from my recycling center to the processors
is \$0.11 per pound.

01:04:37:26 - 01:04:40:24
With the new processing rate,
we would only be left with \$0.02

01:04:40:24 - 01:04:43:28
to cover labor, rent, insurance
and all other remaining expenses.

01:04:44:05 - 01:04:46:21
The reality is \$0.02
will hardly cover anything.

01:04:47:01 - 01:04:48:27
Director, please help
all the recycling centers.

01:04:48:27 - 01:04:51:29
The vast majority of recycling centers
cannot hold on for much longer.

01:04:53:28 - 01:04:55:01
I know this has been

01:04:55:01 - 01:04:58:23
the topic of conversation for much of our
our public comment today.

01:04:58:27 - 01:05:02:17
We recognize the challenges
that our recycling centers are having,

01:05:02:26 - 01:05:06:23
we're utilizing the tools
as provided to us by the law

01:05:07:18 - 01:05:10:17
and would like to continue to work
with you to adjust.

01:05:10:17 - 01:05:14:29
As as previously stated,
we will be making another adjustment

01:05:14:29 - 01:05:18:27
to the processing payment
here in the next few weeks.

01:05:21:18 - 01:05:22:13
Next coming is from

01:05:22:13 - 01:05:24:29
Alex Choy from the Story of Stuff Project.

01:05:25:15 - 01:05:25:24
Hello.

01:05:25:24 - 01:05:30:28
The 2022 budget
Bill AB179 sent out 25 million to fund

01:05:31:05 - 01:05:35:21
investing in reusable containers
for an are a DRS system.

01:05:35:21 - 01:05:37:08
Can you tell us what the agency

01:05:37:08 - 01:05:41:01
has planned or communicated publicly
about the disbursement of those funds

01:05:41:01 - 01:05:41:16
this year?

01:05:41:16 - 01:05:45:06
We would welcome a chance to discuss
this further with the Department.

01:05:47:07 - 01:05:49:15
Please reach out to my office.

01:05:49:15 - 01:05:51:24
Would be happy to talk to you
about that further.

01:05:52:14 - 01:05:56:27
But those funds will go out together
with the changes that we're making

01:05:57:15 - 01:06:01:24
to our regulations to allow for re-use
as part of our program.

01:06:02:09 - 01:06:04:22
And so we are looking forward
to get those dollars out.

01:06:04:22 - 01:06:08:20
But we want to make sure that again,
like any of our other funding programs,

01:06:08:20 - 01:06:11:25
that we're getting those dollars out
in a sustainable way

01:06:12:19 - 01:06:17:02
that make the business
utilizing those dollars successful

01:06:17:02 - 01:06:23:04
for the long term and
and without ongoing subsidization.

01:06:23:12 - 01:06:27:02
So thank you for the comment
and happy to to chat with with you further

01:06:27:02 - 01:06:28:10
about where we are in that process.

01:06:31:06 - 01:06:33:04
Next comment from Leonard Lang.

01:06:33:04 - 01:06:35:01
What resources is the director dedicating.

01:06:35:01 - 01:06:37:28
To ensure the rulemaking calendar
is addressed and completed this year

01:06:37:29 - 01:06:40:20
per the rulemaking calendar?

01:06:41:15 - 01:06:44:09
Mr. Lane Thank you for your question.

01:06:44:09 - 01:06:48:18
Our rulemaking calendar,
as many of our engaged

01:06:48:18 - 01:06:51:21
constituencies
know, is very, very full this year.

01:06:51:21 - 01:06:56:03
We are going using all of our resources
to the best of our ability

01:06:56:03 - 01:07:00:01
to meet all of the requirements
across this department and in order

01:07:00:01 - 01:07:05:04
to ensure that we get the regulations
that are most needed out first

01:07:05:28 - 01:07:08:28
and that we meet the statutory deadlines

01:07:08:28 - 01:07:12:27
and requirements as provided.

01:07:14:05 - 01:07:15:14
Mr. Lang has another comment.

01:07:15:14 - 01:07:16:17
The adoption of prepayment

01:07:16:17 - 01:07:20:10
control regulations was recommended
by the state auditor in 2024.

01:07:20:11 - 01:07:23:13
Will the director
consider discontinuing this policy until

01:07:23:13 - 01:07:26:03
regulations are properly adopted
pursuant to the APA?

01:07:26:15 - 01:07:28:11

And that was. In 2014.

01:07:37:28 - 01:07:38:18

Mr. Lang,

01:07:38:18 - 01:07:41:19

thank

you so much for the comment and question.

01:07:41:19 - 01:07:44:24

I am going to confer

01:07:44:24 - 01:07:47:28

with our legal counsel

and will not answer that question today.

01:07:49:18 - 01:07:52:11

One other comment was submitted by Mr.

01:07:52:11 - 01:07:55:05

Edgar and I believe he provided

those comments today.

01:07:56:29 - 01:07:57:21

We're going to.

01:07:57:23 - 01:07:58:02

Focus.

01:07:58:02 - 01:07:59:08

On the comments.

01:08:01:15 - 01:08:01:29

Okay.

01:08:01:29 - 01:08:05:05

So thanks, everyone who participated in today's public meeting.

01:08:05:05 - 01:08:06:25

You can find the videos from today's

01:08:06:25 - 01:08:10:12

meeting posted to CalRecycle's YouTube channel by the end of the day tomorrow

01:08:10:21 - 01:08:14:04
as we work to make our communication
is accessible, inclusive and relevant to

01:08:14:05 - 01:08:16:16
Californians as possible,
we welcome your feedback

01:08:16:16 - 01:08:18:26
through Cal Recycles
Public Comment Portal.

01:08:18:26 - 01:08:21:28
Have a great rest of your morning and week
and we will see you next month.

01:08:21:28 - 01:08:22:14
Thank you.