[Music] starting in 2024 you can cut your trash and climate pollution footprint by redeeming your

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empty wine and liquor bottles at a recycling center one of the great things about glass is it's 100% infinitely recyclable on top of providing a 510 or 25 cent CRV deposit refund

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on the empty wine and spirit containers the change will help California wine makers turn more old wine bottles into new wine bottles we want to recycle as much of our material as we

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can back into wine bottles California's beverage container recycling program kept nearly a half

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trillion bottles and cans off our streets and out of our landfills by turning empty containers into

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new products by adding Wine and Spirits to the CRV Redemption program we anticipate that we'll

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bring in 1 billion bottles into the recycling program Angelica bam just got promoted to crew

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leader working for conservation core North Bay she's learning to operate a forklift transporting pallets packed with electronic waste and learning English her fellow team member Juan

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herado translates separating everything pretty much where the flats go CRTs uh mix we're just

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separating all the ew that we get here a un report States less than 20% of ew is 1:15

properly recycled with the rest ending up in landfills ewaste is now the world's fastest 1:21

growing waste we're just trying to settle some technical difficulty so we'll get started in just a few minutes problem for these trainees many who come from underserved neighborhoods

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it's a chance to make a difference in their communities and for themselves while earning their geds it's now easier than ever for Californians to prevent unwanted or unused

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medication from getting into the wrong hands just drop meds off in a collection bin or mail them back you can also prevent accidental needle stick injuries by using free mailback programs

Cal recycle approved California's first ever Statewide industry run programs dedicated to

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Safe medication and Sharps disposal it's easy and convenient just look for medic medication

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dropboxes at participating pharmacies hospitals Sheriff stations and other locations you can

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also receive free mailback materials when you buy new needles scan this QR code now for more information if thrown into a landfill organic waste decomposes without oxygen that releases

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methane a gas that drives climate change and is 80 times more harmful than carbon dioxide take

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all the things you don't need to put in here compost on the other hand enriches the soil

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sequesters carbon prevents methane emissions and helps the fields retain water it's been a really

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valuable experience for us one survey found 72% of Americans don't compost because they say it's

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not convenient Caris and Henry disagree yeah it's easy super easy you can use it for soil

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to make other plants and then you can use those plants to make other to make soil for those plants

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we should all compost the Next Generation cultivating a healthy attitude on the path 3:03

forward for the last month I have been living just like the average

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person eating shopping consuming just like so many of us are used to but with one big

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exception I had to wear every piece of TR asash that I [Music] created

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[Music]

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here's how I elevate my white canvas shopping bag with some Rit Dye and a stitch sheor technique first draw a grid to equally space out a pattern of Nine Circles use whatever

Circle templates that are available careful grid preparation makes the stitching task go much easier the lines drawn become a guide when stitching a series of small running stitches to

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clearly Define the circumferences the threads of each circle are pulled and bound tightly together and to create a larger die resist area these threads can be wrapped around more fabric

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inside of each circle the fabric looks like a pretty flower after Nine Circles are bound and tied add salt detergent and D color to the D vat then immerse the dampened fabric for

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at least 10 minutes remove the tight bindings to reveal the die resist patterns made by stitching

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and binding I love how each circle has its own character but works harmoniously with the rest

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as a whole and I love the dark navy color which contrasts brilliantly with the white canvas and

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now I have a stylish canvas bag to shop [Music] with [Music] more progress and more funding to cut

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climate pollution and landfills this is our brand new co- generation engine see the local benefits

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from CalRecycle circular economy investment and the numbers are in mattresses collected

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recycled and kept out of California landfills last year plus new information for recyclers in California's beverage container recycling program CalRecycle's monthly public meeting starts

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now good morning everyone thanks for joining us for CalRecycle September 2023 public meeting

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this meeting is by Californians for Californians as we work together to protect our communities and

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fight climate change to serve people of differing abilities and comp comply with the requirements of

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the American Disabilities Act CalRecycle provides closed captions for publicly viewed meetings our

staff has worked to identify the most accurate captioning software available with appropriate filters because live captioning requires voice recognition software we'd like you to know

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that some errors may occur with this broadcast here's information about our Spanish language interpretation

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(In Spanish)

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language shouldn't be a barrier when it comes to protecting our air water and land 8:09

CalRecycle is simulcasting this meeting in English and Spanish click the public meeting Banner at the top of CalRecycle.ca.gov for a link to our webcasts in both English and

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Spanish if you're attending this meeting in person in Byron Sher Auditorium we have Spanish

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interpretation devices available let our team on your left hand side of the dais know if you need

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one our first agenda item today is the director's report CalRecycle director Rachel Machi Wagoner

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is out this week so chief deputy director Mindy McIntyre will joins us now for this report good

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morning Mindy good morning and thank you all for being here today um we have quite a few

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updates today and we'll hear about the processing payments for beverage container recycling program we'll hear about grant opportunities for 1383 and an update on jurisdictions now reporting

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organic waste recycling collection so let's get started thank you CalRecycle wants your feedback

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as we work to implement historic circular economy reforms CalRecycle next informal SB 54 Workshop

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is set for Wednesday September 27th at 10:00 a.m. topics will include covered material categories

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the needs assessment and Source reduction you can join us here in the Byron Sher Auditorium

or register to publicly participate in on Zoom CalRecycle is working to release draft regulatory

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language and hold additional workshops this fall before starting formal rule making in early 2024

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and CalRecycle is looking for interested parties to express interest in joining various program

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advisory committees division of the circular economy deputy director Zoe Heller is here with more on that process good morning Zoe morning CalRecycle is conducting a review of the composition

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and needs of the carpet stewardship program advisory committee and the mattress recycling organization advisory committee you have until September 29th to submit your application to

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serve on either of these advisory committees should CalRecycle will identify the need for any additions or changes the primary duty of the advisory committees is to provide recommendations

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during the development of documents prepared by the stewardship organizations a full description

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of each advisory committee specific statutory responsibilities and appointing expectations

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are in the application instructions which will be available on both the carpet and Mattress web pages please contact us with any questions that you might have 75% of jurisdictions now

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report food and organic waste collection for residents as California Works to cut landfill

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climate pollution \$90 million in Sp 1383 local assistant grants are now available to build on

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that progress CalRecycle is in the process of reviewing applications for our most recent CalRecycle organics infrastructure grants let's see how a previous Grant recipient is turning food

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waste into a local resource for their Community fighting climate change and keeping our water

11:35 we take in about 10 tons of food waste a day with the help of \$2.5 million in state funding 11:43 the Central Marin Sanitation Agency is upgrading its facility to keep even more food waste from 11:48 becoming climate pollution and landfills the new storage tank which uh is funded by CalRecycle 11:54 is doubling the amount that we can accept through a process called co-digestion communities can cost 11:59 effectively retool their existing water treatment plants to recycle food waste into products like fertilizer and fuel the codigestion part is where we bring in additional trucks of mainly 12:10 food waste and we inject that into the same tanks together with the Wastewater materials within 40 12:16 days naturally occurring bacteria will eat the organic waste and convert it into biogas this 12:22 is our brand new co-generation engine this is a state-of-the-art power plant if you will that 12:28 takes the bio gas from our digestors and produces clean Renewable Power and heat so this would help 12:34 create a greener more circular economy in that sense soon they'll produce more energy than they 12:39 need and send the extra to their community turning local waste into a local resource to fuel their economy fight climate change and Lead California's march to a zero waste [Music] 12:53 future the app apption Cal recycle is currently reviewing for our most recent Organics 13:02 infrastructure grants include facilities that have processes such as co-digestion composting 13:08 and anerobic digestion facilities but additional funding is now available through our SB 1383 local 13:15

safe in California wastewater treatment plants are an emerging hub before recycling

food scraps

assistance grant program division of the circular economy deputy director Zoe Heller has more information applications for the latest round of SB 1383 local assistance grants are due

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November 15th the 90 million in funding can go to cities counties a combination of each regional or

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joint power authorities and Special Districts that provide solid waste collection applicants

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must certify that they have an enforcable ordinance or similar mechanism based on feedback base award amounts have been increased to \$75,000 Joint power authorities can apply without

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all members in additional eligible costs have been added awards are anticipated in March 2024

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CalRecycle expects to start taking applications next month for its Community Composting for Green

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Spaces Grant program eligibility for this cycle is restricted to qualifying tribal entities the

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\$510,000 in grants can help tribal entities create improve or expand Community composting sites

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grants range from \$25,000 to \$75,000 last week CalRecycle held an information sharing Workshop

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facilitated by the US Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 office with environmental directors from tribes throughout California staff received received feedback on items

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like indirect cost rates in maximum award amounts once a recommendation is finalized we'll notify

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all interested parties and we really appreciate the feedback CalRecycle anticipates opening the

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application period next month with applications due in January in Awards expected in March of

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2024 next on today's agenda is the beverage container recycling program deputy director Amy

Cameron to give you more information on processing payments good morning Amy good morning CalRecycle

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posted the fourth quarter processing payment adjustment last week effective October 1st

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2023 CalRecycle will increase the processing payment for PET plastic due to declining scrap

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values the payment increases from 13.6 per pound to 18.7 cents per pound the processing

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payment for glass decreased by a fraction of a cent the processing payments for number two

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HDPE Bimetal and Plastics 3 through 7 are not being adjusted for updates please subscribe to

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our list serve back to your Maria a reminder you can submit your public comments on any of today's

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agenda items here's how California wants your input on Recycling and trash pollution issues

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join CalRecycles decision-making process by submitting a public comment on any of today's agenda items microphones are available for those of you in the room if you're 16:14

joining remotely just click the public meeting Banner at the top of our website then click the public meeting portal to send us your feedback we'll address public comments at the end of the

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meeting you can access the public comment portal through our new monthly public meeting web page

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the web page page is also available in Spanish we will address submitted comments at the end of

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this meeting next on the agenda new updates on California's mattress stewardship program that

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has helped keep about 10 million mattresses off our streets and out of our landfills let's take a look Californians buy about 4 million new mattresses and foundations every year

too often many of the old mattresses would end up illegally dumped in our communities costing California taxpayers millions of dollarss a year for cleanup and it's a big waste of resources

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because mattresses are made from materials that are highly recyclable materials like steel foam

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wood California passed an extended producer responsibility law in 2014 that took the burden

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of collecting and landfilling used mattresses off local governments instead requiring the

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mattress industry to collect and recycle them the used mattress recovery and recycling act requires

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mattress manufacturers Renovators and retailers to form a stewardship organization to develop and run

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a Statewide recycling program so the program contains elements to reduce illegal dumping

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increase Recycling and to reduce the public cost of managing old mattresses retailers are

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required to pick up your old mattress when you have a new mattress delivered the program also has drop off options 99% of Californians now have a free mattress collection option within

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15 Mi of their home through a consumer recycling fee on each new mattress the store stewardship organization mattress recycling Council operates the recycling program by educating consumers

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expanding convenient collection options and turning an old problem into new products you

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can take a look at byebyemattress.com to learn how and where to recycle your old mattress 400

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million pounds of mattress materials have been reused and recycled supporting California's moved to a circular remanufacturing economy with less trash and more green

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jobs director Zoe Heller has two mattress stewardship items for consideration today 18:34

we'll start with the mattress recycling council's 2022 annual report MRC must submit annual reports 18:40 to the department by July 1st each year that meet the requirements and statutes regulations 18:46 and its approved plan MRC must also demonstrate a goodfaith effort to comply with the state's 18:51 mattress recycling goals in 2022 MRC achieved all Statewide and program goals collected over 18:59 1.4 million program units diverted 84.9% of collected units from landfill recovered 63 19:07 million pounds of mattress materials increased program convenience for California residents and 19:14 businesses and invested a million dollars on research and development projects to support 19:19 a circular economy for the mattress industry MRC reported completing seven research Pro projects 19:26 in 2022 has nine active research projects and has identified several future research topics of 19:32 Interest reported research included the study of the use of cotton shoty pad and coconut fiber from 19:39 recycled mattresses to make carbon electrodes in lithium batteries wow that's really cool 19:45 MRC completed a life cycle analysis and held a webinar to share how mattress recycling reduces 19:50 carbon dioxide emissions water usage and energy usage it found that each mattress recycled is 19:57 like driving 60 fewer miles saving 500 gallons of water and saving enough energy to power an 20:03 average household for 3 days MRC also reported on its engagement with manufacturers in the 20:08 industry value chain on endof life recycling challenges when designing new components and

mattresses staff concluded that MRC compiled with the requirements and statute regulations and its

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plan compiled I meant complied sorry complied and demonstrated a good faith effort to comply with

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the St goals the the annual report and the staff's analysis are linked in today's agenda the director

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must determine whether to approve conditionally approve or disapprove MRC's 2022 annual report by

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September 28th the second mattress item for today is the mattress recycling council's proposed 2024

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budget by July 1st of each year MRC is required to submit to the department a proposed program

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budget for the following calendar year that meets the requirements of statute and regulations and

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MRC is proposing no change to the current mattress recycling charge of \$10.50 per unit MRC's budget

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includes 44.5 million in expenditures in 24 to collect and recycle mattresses in California

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educate residents and businesses about the program and perform research to further increase mattress recycling staff determined the budget demonstrates adequate funding to

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cover the anticipated costs of implementing the program it meets the statutory and regulatory requirements MRC's budget and staff analysis are linked in today's agenda the director must

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determine whether to approve conditionally approve or disapprove mrc's budget by September 28th next

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on the agenda the architectural paint stewardship law requires stewardship organization paint care

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to reimburse CalRecycle each quarter for its full administrative and enforcement costs regulations

require CalRecycle director to approve the annual administrative fee at public meeting by September 21:58 30th of each year the administrative fee for July 1 2022 through July through June 30th of 23 was 22:06 \$449,450 of PaintCare's estimated annual program expenses you can find 22:16 more information on the public notice Linked In the agenda item this item will be sent to director Wagoner for her approval next on the agenda is 2.5 million in Grant Awards to set 22:28 environmental cleanup projects senior waste manager engineer Steve Santa Croce joins us with the 22:35 announcements I think I think that's Santa Crose 23:00 hello good morning thank you um through two CalRecycle manag Grant programs the solid 23:09 waste disposal and code disposal site cleanup program funds local agencies to help clean up 23:15 Legacy solid was sites and illegal dump sites where the the responsible party either cannot 23:22 be identified or is unable or willing to pay for a timely cleanup of these sites and these sites 23:28 are a threat to the public health and safety or the environment um this RFI item is uh to 23:35 award a total of \$1 million in Grants through our illegal disposal site abatement program uh 23:43 and the the awardees are Calaveras County Del Norte County uh Los Angeles County and Yuba City and 23:52 in our other grant program The Legacy disposal site abatement grant program we're awarding a 23:58 total of \$1.5 million to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife uh to Daily City and the city 24:08 of San Jose you can read more in the way of detail on the individual Grant award amounts

and the project descriptions for those grants in the linked item uh and I also wanted to uh

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just announce or remind people that our current fiscal year Grant applications the due date is

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this Wednesday at tomorrow uh and with that I'll send it back to Maria thanks so much Steve moving

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on now to solid waste and tire facilities permit and emergency waivers CalRecycle has upgraded its facility permit presentation to show an aerial view of the county and then 24:48

an aerial view of the specific facility here's a quick overview of California facility standards

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plus a Statewide facility permit update from environmental program manager Paulina Lawrence protecting the health of Californians 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 public health and environmental

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safety standards in California Solid Waste local enforcement agencies process applications issue

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and enforce permits for solid waste facilities these include landfills transfer stations compost

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facilities or similar operations CalRecycle must verify permits are consistent with state 25:34

requirements permits can only address areas within the authority of local enforcement 25:39

agencies and CalRecycle check out the link below for more detailed information emergency

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waivers allow temporary changes to Solid Waste permit requirements in response to local or

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state disasters local enforcement agencies May approve the waivers which are good for up to 120

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days and may be extended Cal recycle must review approved waivers and can condition limit suspend

or terminate them check out the link for more detailed information for Waste Tire facilities 26:12 CalRecycle processes applications issues and enforces waste Tire permits these include 26:18 requirements to make sure tires are stored and processed in a way that reduces potential threats 26:24 from fire and disease carrying vectors like mosquitoes check out the link for more detailed 26:29 information on August 23rd 2023 for Sacramento County the department has concurred on and 26:43 or agreed with the Lea for a new Solid Waste facilities permit for aerojet Waste consolidation 26:50 unit action is needed August 31st 2023 also on August 23rd 2023 for Shasta County the department 27:00 concurred on and or agreed with the Lea a revised Solid Waste facilities permit for the City of 27:06 Reading transfer station materials recovery and composting facility action is needed August 26th 27:13 2023 continuing on this month's agenda for Riverside county is Paris transfer 27:25 station and material recovery facility this is a modified Solid Waste facilities permit action 27:31 is needed November 1st 2023 also continuing for Orange County is Valencia Greenry this 27:40 is a new compostable materials handling facility permit action is needed September 22nd 2023 27:49 lastly continuing on the agenda for Sonoma County is a modified Solid Waste facilities 27:55 permit for Global material recover Recovery Services action is needed September 25th 28:01 2023 new to this month's agenda for the city of LA is CWS DTLA material recovery facility 28:16 and transfer station this is a modified Solid Waste facilities permit action is

needed by October 27th 2023 preliminary review of the permit package in indicates 28:27 the following proposed changes updates to the legal description of the facility section the 28:33 findings section documents that describe Endor restrict design and operation of the facility 28:39 section self- monitoring section and the local enforcement ageny condition section also new 28:47 to the agenda for Stanislas County this is a jurisdiction in which Cal recycle is the 28:53 enforcement agency we have Recology Blossom Valley Organics North this is a modified 28:59 compostable Materials Handling facility permit action is needed October 21st 2023 preliminary 29:06 review of the application package indicates the following proposed changes updates to the 29:12 name of the property owner legal description of the facility findings prohibitions and documents 29:20 that describe and or restrict the operation of the facility the self-monitoring and 29:26 enforcement agency condition I and lastly updates to the report of composting site 29:31 information we're excited to upgrade this SEC this section of the monthly public meeting just to help 29:46 visualize for the public the parts of California that we serving and what these facilities that were permitting or helping to permit are uh serving we have more information on anv 29:56 of today's agenda items just go to CalRecycle homepage and click the public meeting web banner 30:01 at the top of our site for a link to the agenda and Associated notices now it's time for public 30:07 comments first we'll take comments from the public present in our Sacramento Cal EPA headquarters 30:12

meeting room today does anyone have a comment we have a microphone here on your right hand

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that better oh gosh okay sorry now I'll step back good morning Julia 11 with the 30:45

bioenergy Association of California I want to thank you for all the work you're doing on the circular economy it is really exciting um I wanted to focus on one issue in particular

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and I'll just jump to the request which is it would be unbelievably helpful and beneficial 31:00

if CalRecycle would hold a workshop around the circular opport um economy and opportunities to

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convert diverted organic waste to hydrogen um as you know Governor Newsom last month issued an

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announcement and directed GoBiz the governor's office of Business Development to work with

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state agencies to streamline permitting come up with new funding or financing streams and new procurement programs and diverted organic waste of hydrogen is a huge opport unity in the

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SB 1075 workshop on clean hydrogen a couple of weeks ago the air board Public Utilities

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Commission and calr energy commission all included biogenic hydrogen from organic waste um in their

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planning for renewable and clean hydrogen but as I think you all know there are a lot of regulatory

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challenges there's some statutory contradictions or gaps um so far I don't believe CalRecycle has

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used any of its greenhouse gas reduction funding for hydrogen projects we need a lot of help in

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this area really to use diverted organic waste for its highest and best use which the Lawrence Livermore National lab report which is quoted in SB 1075 or cited in SB 1075 says explicitly as

its report did on carbon neutrality converting organic waste to hydrogen is the highest and best

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use by far from a climate and other environmental purposes perspective so it would be really great

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to have probably a full day workshop to talk about all the opportunities the barriers and potential

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Solutions so that CalRecycle um can join the team of state agencies that's really working

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to accelerate clean hydrogen development in California thank you thank you very much any more

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comments good morning Evan Edgar Edgar Associates on behalf of the California 32:55

compost coalition great work on the grants um having the community Compost Grants are great and the local government procurement for 90 million and my understanding that money

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can be used for um compost procurement or organic product procurement as part of the budget so when they when people apply for the \$90 million for their allocation but some of the expenses could be

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procurement of organic waste products so that's a question but I looking for confirmation on

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that Evan let me get back to on the specifics on um how that money or if that money can be used to

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procure recycled organic waste products I want to make sure before I confirm here oh thank you and then um the work you guys doing on the infrastructure grants great at 155 million

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will leverage another \$600 million in private and public Capital to divert about 2.5 million tons of

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new 1383 we We'll add about 25% to the 1383 rate so I'm going to be U presenting a a white paper

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by the end of the year about the 1383 progress and the good work that the industry is doing we

have a lot of good momentum here with 1383 from all the grants you guys are doing with the local government and um so we going to keep it going so definitely want to um support 1383 as part 34:13 of that one of the reasons I'm here today is um ask you the process on your um zero waste 34:18 plan it's due on July 1st 2026 but there's a a report due on July 1st 2024 about the process 34:26 to get there and and all the gaps and Analysis of existing programs and to include the 75% road map 34:35 to get to the zero waste and the industry is here to help I'm from the industry we're here to help 34:40 um we were fully engaged um two years ago we did The Net Zero greenhouse gas Report with Cal cycle 34:47 data and industry was we're early adopters and we showed that we are 3.7 times Net Zero gr gases 34:53 with 2018 data and if we have 75% by by 2030 will be at 10 times Net Zero we did that two years ago 35:02 because we wanted to leverage that as part of that scoping plan and Advanced Clean Fleet Rule and we 35:07 we made our best efforts to um present that plan at all parties but it it really didn't have anv 35:12 um nobody took it uh took it up and wasn't really recognized as part of the scoping plan because as early adopters we we were developing RNG we're using RNG we're supporting RNG and we wanted to 35:24 use that as part of the Advanced Clean Fleet rle and the the group did a lot of effort to have some type of solid waste carve out as part of that but but not enough about how to use RNG 35:34 for fleet vehicle so we did that two years ago and I want to do this again as part of the industry to have a um a road map for 75% I'm looking for what process CalRecycle envisions because July 35:45 1st will be here before you know it if there is there's a a workshop or a process that we can 35:51

engage because I know a lot of Industry folks would like to step up in order to provide data ideas in order to move that forward so I'm looking for any process or how can we engage with cycle to

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provide information data to have a successful um report that will come out on July 1st 2024 thank you and we look forward to engaging as well and we are working 36:14

internally on the exact process but that should be available very soon thank you thank 36:20

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good morning Shirley frerick from Nevada County before I launch into my real reason for being

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here about plastic single use bags I've been listening to the New York uh climate week I

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don't know if you have listened to any of it and kind of one of the overriding um thoughts that

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I've I've had up you know and I'm going to push up in in Nevada county is to change perspective

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waste Is wealth and and I think that's a really important thing and they keep talking about we

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have to change perspective and help people see the positive instead of only seeing the negative because that's what the media shows us but anyway so putting that out there uh well I got because

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I'm I'm concerned about what's happening in the plastic single use World um I did a survey

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of the stores in our area around to SB 270 the plastic bag recyclable law and what I found is

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that basically they're like all over the place some don't charge anything some charge 15 some

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charge 10 some charge some some don't have paper at all some have you know anyway and so I'm going

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like well let so we need a little renewal of this law and for a for a few reasons a it was on as of

what 26 2016 then it was off and then it back on but I'm not sure everybody like knew and I'm not 37:51 sure most of all the customer knew that it was back on and so I I walk in these stores and I 37:58 watch the clerk you know this guy's buying a bunch of stuff she puts like four things in one and and 38:03 she grabs plastic first you know puts four things in one grabs another bag four things in that one 38:09 he goes out with like a dozen bags and he doesn't know he just paid 25 cents a bag okay I'm almost 38:15 positive that the customer most customers don't know you know there are some contous stores at 38:21 Brier patch and others that you know people they bring it but I think we need a renewal on this 38:26 law I mean a it would be very simple to require that they post a sign I mean that that's what I 38:35 I'm I'm going to try and do in my my area you know post a sign and just say you know this is 38:41 this is why we're doing it I don't even think they understand why we're doing it you know uh because it's like oh well you know I guess the money doesn't matter but we got to vou know we 38:51 have to make we have to come up with the reasons to make it matter in terms of what it's saving 38:57 from the environment and and so on and so forth so you know that's a I think we need to renew this require a sign and also require the clerks to not just grab a plastic bag I mean that's what 39:09 they do it's simple right I mean it's right there they just grab a plastic they don't ask if they want paper they just grab a plastic bag some stores if I wanted paper it's over there out 39:21 of sight out of sight for the clerk out of sight for me yeah but you know bringing a reusable bag 39:28

is is something they're not getting the concept anyway so that's the most important that's the

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most important piece is how do we renew this and the other end of it is I understand that that uh I think it's Senator Allen either has already put forth a bill or is it going to on

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using some that's pure profit okay you know all of those dozen bags 25 cents each at Grocery

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Outlet thank you very much you know all of that it's profit for the store and so he's proposing

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that we require some of the money that they take to come back into the recycling fund for whatever

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I don't know I forget what what it was but you know I think that's another really important piece is that that that's a huge amount of profit that that we should be getting something back for

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Education you know or making signs you know what whatever whatever that uh has to do but anyway so

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I think that's that's a um oh and then I also want to know who enforces this is it the city that has

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enforcement yes no no no um it's the AG so that's the the Attorney General apologies um it's the

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Attorney General per statute okay and so how do I do I just like say hi you know I'm from noada

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County how do know I mean how do we go about enforcing this I mean it's city council must

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have something to do with this but what what how do how do you how do you do this um well

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this is an interest of the legislature and you're bringing up really great points about the plastic bags statute and what it originally intended to do and what it's doing now Cal recycle was not given

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an enforcement role um in the original statute and we can't really speak to enforcement but I do know the Attorney General is very engaged on this and you can reach out to their office um we

can probably provide contact information to them so you can fig so you can talk to them about how 41:31 to do enforcement um on their end but again this is important to the legislature they're discussing it now they're they're looking at updating as you mentioned one of the bills in 41:41 the legislature so it's definitely on everyone's mind yeah I mean I really have to applaud Bond 41:46 he's like coming out you know a number of these a number of these issues okay so I I'll l'll go 41:52 there um to see what they're what what they're going to do do um and how they how they do this 41:58 I it's huge right it's big um yeah okay the other thing is there I I looked it up and there's a law 42:06 in Grass Valley that was processed to um say you know say no no more plastic bags period 42:13 that was in 2015 well I wasn't there in 2015 but I'm assuming that the California law uh 42:21 superseded that stady law is that correct uh we'd have to look at at when yeah we'd have to look 42:29 at that for you okay I'm not sure yeah because there there's very different it's just like no 42:36 nothing ours you know the California recycle law is different it's it's a charge for you 42:42 trying but you know the purpose of the law is not being um accomplished I can say that know 42:50 people don't get it oh like money no problem um so anyway thank you now you're bringing 42:55 up a good point we do know there is a lot of confusion on the plastic bags bill and we do get a lot of questions um so appreciate these comments and they're very important it's very 43:04 important that the legislature hears as well so okay appreciate your engagement how do I follow up on this um well again we can provide information on the contact for the Attorney General okay um 43:16

yeah and also we have a new law coming in next year about the vegy bags right that's right yes

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Senator amman's Bill I mean let's wrap them together here and say come on guys you know there's a reason behind these laws that you know you got to get like on it you okay all right yeah

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thanks good morning Nick laus of California against waste first all just want to complain

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that you don't have a microphone on that side that's my signed seating is in that aisle um actually comments on a couple unrelated things one is the federal funding through the uh

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inflation reduction act as you know there's a lot of money available for environmental Investments

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and a lot of that is given to States and to local governments um and it seems like implementation

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of 1383 and organic waste diversion would be a very natural fit but from what I can tell it hasn't really been included so far in either the state plan or any of the Metropolitan 44:26

organization plans and it just seems like a huge Mis opportunity especially since we're not going to have more Organics funding in the budget probably in the foreseeable future um do

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you all have any updates on on that and and is there any coordination happening between calor

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cycle and carb and the local agencies on on the cprg but the inflation reduction act as a 44:51

whole sorry yes um so thank you for that question you know we recently received some funding through

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the Swiffer grant money which is uscpa grant money and um Los Angeles did as well to um um

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I believe it was for a co-digestion project if I'm remembering correctly um and our funding is specific to the zero waste plan in rural communities but um there is a lot of other efforts

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based on all of this funding that's coming down the pipeline one of those is um the national green bank that you're Maybe famili with and there's an inter agency work group that Cal recycle is an

active part of um as well as our other um brother and sister BOS ibank Etc to talk about a strategy

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as far as how we can all work together to um move forward our shared priorities and Organics infrastructure is certainly one of those that we're talking about um there's other coordination

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efforts happening on the other dollars as well with ARB so um yes we are engaged we're having regular conversations not only with uscpa but with um other agencies and within the calpa family

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too and specifically cprg seems like a very big opportunity I think it's \$4 billion and it's money

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that's supposed to get out the door very quickly next year I think the planning the planning period

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is supposed to be over in I believe march with money going out the door in April um and you know

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that would definitely be a great opportunity as well yes we agree and then on an unrelated note

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just in response to a previous comment um not all hydrogen is created equal you all have a waste

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hierarchy there's some forms of hydrogen generated through disposal some not generated through

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disposal and I would just urge you as you engage in that to keep that distinction in mind thank

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you thank you and thank you for your patience with our technical difficulties 46:51

any more comments in the room today okay so now uh chief Deputy Mindy McIntyre will

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be going over the comments that came through our public comment portal thanks for your for your patience we're having a lot of technical difficulties 47:11

today one more comment in the room uh Joseph hippert from Grass Valley 47:19

I just wanted some clarity on CRV program and uh what if I have a 47:24

recyclable that's not doesn't say CRV or California Redemption value or California cash refund Cal ca cash refund or cacv on it what do I do with

that thank you are you representing yourself as a resident or as a recycling center or I'm just 47:48 trying to answer your question question um so the beverage container recycling program at this time 47:57 only provides a refund value if the beverage container is appropriately labeled with the 48:03 ca CRV so what requires Coca-Cola to put that on their product the the statute that right 48:13 that the beverage container recycling act does and the national program or no it's California 48:19 program so only only beverage containers that are within the program pay the CRV or resident 48:25 or sorry uh consumers when they buy the beverage pay that deposit and then they're able to get it 48:30 back when it's returned so where do you get the deposit back um well we have recycling 48:36 centers as well as beverage dealers so when I put it in my recycle bin get the refund 48:43 the well it depends it's either the city or the recycling program so not the consumer not 48:51 the consumer no that's per statute it allows the uh luin to collect CRV as well then why 49:01 does the consumer pay the price as mentioned that's part of Statute and so statute allows 49:09 that all right again oh go 49:17 ahead hello my name is Shir Lane with Atrium 91 six we a creative Innovation 49:27 Center for sustainability um I just wanted to talk a little bit about reuse and with 49:33 sb54 um we've been talking a lot about what things are going to be looking like and with 49:40 s sp54 there's going to be a need for reuse infrastructure I think this is a big item 49:48

and I don't think that there's been a lot of thought on what that's going to look like at the HM we've done some informal brainstorming and kind of think tanking and we've looked 49:58 at it on two Avenues if it goes down a market Avenue or if it goes down a Statewide program 50:06 we've noticed that if it goes down a market meaning that produces themselves are going to 50:12 lead it we've noticed that it might go down the same route that recycling is fragmented 50:18 confusing not actually working um and we highly recommend actually considering maybe doing some 50:25 kind of really investigative report or really looking into a strategic plan of what reuse 50:33 infastructure could look like for California um I think this is a really big question and 50:40 um to make sure that proper investment is going in the right direction and in education would 50:47 be a lot easier if it was one system that many people could plug into it would also help with 50:52 economic development in underserved communities um these are just some things we've brainstormed 50:58 about and we'd love to investigate this further but thank you thank you very much and um we do 51:05 have a robz program in place for a development of the regulations under 50 sp54 we also have some 51:10 other venues to to have that type of discussion including the needs assessment under sp54 but 51:15 also our Z waste plan which was mentioned earlier today thank you thank you for your comments thank you again for um being patient with some 51:29 technical difficulties my computer is of course not working so I will borrow all right we have a comment from John Davis from the Mojave Desert and Mountain Recycling 51:48 Authority on SB 1383 can a joint Powers Authority apply for a portion of a member's agency Grant 51:55

amount and the agency apply for the remainder John thank you so much for that question um

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we're going to take a look at that and get back to you um I want to make sure we fully understand the question too so we might reach out for some more information thank you Zoe um Michelle kishan

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and apologies if I have not pronounced his name properly from the city of fton asks about um 1383

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local assistance grants and the amount that was awarded in and whether or not that has changed

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Michelle thank you so much for your question and I think it's um a good opportunity for us all to get back to um the initial allocation and I'll just quickly go over what we did with

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it um so our initial allocation this year for uh 1383 local assistance funding was \$180 million

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and um last year the previous allocation was 60 million so that initial 60 million went directly

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out to jurisdictions through the local assistance grant program we had a slightly different apprach approach this year with 180 million where we um split that in half so 90 million went into

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to our Organics infrastructure grant program where that 90 million was available only for

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jurisdictions who um would like to invest in um new or expanded Organics ways processing

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infrastructure within their jurisdiction so um that's where the first 90 went as um mentioned earlier in today's presentation we're analyzing those Grant applications now and are really

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excited about getting that money out the door the other 90 million is the program that we talked about today specific to local local assistance um to jurisdictions for implementation of 1383

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so a slightly different Focus that's 30 million more than last year and that's why we raise the base amount per jurisdiction we also anticipate we'll have a few more jurisdictions coming in

given that many have gotten their enforcement ordinances done by now um so also very excited to get that money out the door as well so I hope that answers your question thank you

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thank you the next question is from Susan B Collins from the container recycling Institute asking about the presentation from the August 10th meeting and the criteria for recycling Innovation

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Grant programs um that it would be presented at the public meeting in September and I believe

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we have a workshop scheduled yeah so um director Wagner spoke to both the 1013 and the 179 money

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at our last monthly public meeting and is really looking for um us to think strategically for a

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comprehensive plan to get that funding out the door so our goal is to bring to you a plan um

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to Workshop in November and uh so we're looking at getting a room what this one or next door um

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reserved in November and really looking forward to having robust discussion given that so many of these programs are new Grant programs and um a wide range of interested parties will be eligible

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for receiving funding so um bear with us we need a little bit of time to just plan and make sure

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we have um something comprehensive to share with you all so that we can solicit feedback uh to be

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successful given that once again so many of these are our new funding programs for us and um we we

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want to get it out quickly but we also want to get it out thoughtfully so thank you for that question next comment is from Leonard langing Mr langing asks about the 55:24

training of Regulation staff for the dealer cooperatives uh also asks about regulations

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regarding prepayment and that there would be a workshop which zo we just mentioned is

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scheduled for November regarding payment under sorry uh Grant programs under the 55:45

beverage container recycling program so Mr Lang we can assure you that our our regulation staff

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is in fact trained our legal staff work alongside our program folks um within the 55:56

beverage container recycling program as well as the division of circular economy there's a lot of of collaboration there and our legal staff are very well trained in regulations

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development next comment is from Joe from olens no last name provided when can we begin to address

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the problem between per count systems such as rvms and the over the scale system if an rvm collects

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containers per count they should be reimbursed by count and not by weight thank you for your assistance thank you Joe for the suggestion staff is currently reviewing our work plans

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for the next rate determination study and we'll take this under advisement not sure again fun technical difficulties today uh Mr Lang also notes

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that the documents provided today's meeting don't correlate to those that you are that we are using we will check in on this if you'd like to send us an email Mr Lang we

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can check in on that for you another comment from Joe from olens are the dates for Grant

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workshops to discuss funds available for rvms and backdrop technology are the dates for the grant

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workshops November mid November we'll have um specific details coming soon so not the exact

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date but hopefully that will be available soon okay Mich o dunnell from the mattress 57:37

recycling Council asks um or comments to thank Cal recycle staff for their thoughts and review

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on the analysis of the report and budget for the California MRC team who continue to expand

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recycling access to communities across the state I'd like to thank the mattress industry for for being actively engaged and supportive of the work um engaging stakeholders throughout the value

chain and life cycle of a mattress is critical for the long-term success of the program I don't think believe there's a question there thank you for your comments next comment is Valerie

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Lake from one earth recycling on s113 what is the status of integrating comments received for S SP

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1013 regulations how much participation did you get from the dealer grocer from the dealers and

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the Grocers will all questions submitted submitted get answered when can we expect a response to our

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questions thank you um Valerie for your for your comments and questions and appreciate all of the

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engagement that we received at the workshop and also the engagement that we've received since the workshop in the form of written comments um as you're aware we're still in

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the informal uh part of our our rul making um so our our plan is is to incorporate these comments

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into our draft regulatory language um as quickly as we can um we will not not be answering each

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individual question that's come in um we will be doing that during the formal portion of our

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rule making uh which is required and really important as um part of the record so we will be doing that then and um we're looking forward to getting the formal process kicked off in the

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not too distant future thank you that's all the comments from the public portal thank you all

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for joining us for today's public meeting uh you can find more information as we mentioned online

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uh I did check and the uh PowerPoint and agenda for today were the correct agenda there was one

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change and that was we have uh now 75% of local jurisdictions have Organics collection programs

and the PowerPoint I believe that was online said 74% we had several new jurisdictions that

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were just added to the um the total yesterday so uh that was one change uh otherwise you can

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find the videos from today's meeting uh on our YouTube Channel by the end of the week

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uh and also we work to make as we work to make our communication as accessible inclusive and

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relevant to California as possible we welcome your feedback to Cal recycles public comment

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portal have a great rest of your morning and week and we will see you next month thank you