

CalRecycle is Receiving Comments on the Needs Assessment

CalRecycle welcomes public input on the following topics related to ongoing research studies and data analysis for the needs assessment:

1. Source Reduction and Material Design

- Actions and investments needed to reduce waste at the source
- Product redesign to use less material or be reusable or refillable
- How to create accessible reuse and refill systems

2. Collection, Processing, and End Markets

- Current and needed recycling and composting infrastructure
- Current causes and levels of contamination, and how to minimize recycling contamination
- Actions needed to improve packaging design to ensure materials are recyclable or compostable
- Market development and financial incentives needed to improve California's circular economy

3. Consumer Education and Access

- How to improve access communities have to reuse/refill, recycling, and composting infrastructure
- How to provide the education communities need to recycle and compost correctly under a changing system

4. Other/General Needs Assessment

- How to best serve California's diverse communities
- How to ensure California's plastic pollution reduction law is implemented effectively, while minimizing and mitigating the impact on communities already disproportionately affected by pollution
- Any other considerations, concerns, or helpful information relevant to creating a strong circular economy plan for California under the new law

