Connecticut Coalition for Sustainable Materials Management

Full Coalition Meeting

April 1, 2021
This meeting is being recorded.

Please keep your microphones muted unless sharing information.

Municipal participants will be given "Panelist" status. Once in the Panelist area of the webinar, please rename yourself to reflect your organizational affiliation.

Municipal participants are encouraged to turn webcams on and actively participate during the meeting.

Non-municipal participants: Please share your questions, comments & ideas through the ZOOM Chat feature.

Feedback can also be sent by email to: DEEP.RecyclingProgram@ct.gov
CCSMM Full Coalition Meeting Agenda

- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Organics Infrastructure Meeting overview
- COG, Regional Waste Authority (RWA) Meeting overview
- Discussion on Planned Municipal Actions
- Next Steps – Learning series, future meetings
- Public comment
• Convened in September 2020 to develop a menu of options to scale sustainable materials management solutions and reduce reliance on landfills & waste-to-energy
  • Increasing Recycling
  • Unit-Based Pricing
  • Food Scraps & Organics
  • Extended Producer Responsibility
• Focus on Environmental Justice
• 85 Municipalities
• Main CCSMM webpage: https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-CCSMM
Panel Discussion - Legislative Updates

- Sen. Christine Cohen
- Rep. Joe Gresko
- Rep. Steve Harding

- updates to be followed by 10 minutes of Q&A for CCSMM municipality representatives
Food Scraps/Organics Collection and Diversion

December 23, 2020 CCSMM Menu of Options P. 12-23

- Promote Collection & Diversion
  Actions #7 - #10
  Donation, Outreach & Ed, Co-Collection

- Infrastructure Development
  Actions #11 - #15
  Animal Feed, Composting, AD, Streamlining

- Expand & Strengthen Organics Law
  Actions #16 & #17
  Generators, Weight Trigger, Radius, - Enforce
CCSMM Action #16

- 4 panels -
  - DEEP permitting
  - Organics Processors perspectives
  - Haulers' perspectives
  - Incentives and Procurement Strategies and perspectives
- Plans for continued dialog on other infrastructure options - curbside collection, community composting, home composting, transfer station drop off, etc.

- Recording of this meeting available HERE.
Organics Infrastructure Forum
February 26, 2021

Public Comments – key topics:

- desire for UBP/ PAYT implementation before organics diversion to assure feedstock is sufficient for processors;
- organics contamination;
- transportation costs are a major concern;
- permitting timelines and ease of use;
- Reducing food waste and diverting food for highest best use (donating to people);
- Technical support for composting requested;
- Interagency collaboration suggested (Dept of Ag, Dept of Health, UConn Extension, NRCS)
Organics Infrastructure Permitting Updates

- Current Permitting Pathways – Food Waste
  - Master Table for Transfer / Processing
  - MTSGP (80yd) / Commercial GP (30TPD/80yd);
  - Individual Permit new or modified
  - Demonstration Project

- Permit Streamlining Efforts
  - GPs Muni & Commercial – more flexibility
  - Expand Organics Law – lbs/yr, sectors, miles
  - Exemption & Regs – expand

- On Farm-based AD Fact Sheet
A meeting was held with CT Councils of Government (COGs) and regional waste authorities on Feb 23, 2021.

Objective of this meeting was to explore the possibility of undertaking waste reduction and recycling efforts on a regional basis.

Role of COGs? Act as a project initiator for all towns in region? Act as a coordinator for subset of towns in region interested in working together?

Discussion of potential resources - technical assistance from DEEP, Sustainable CT, Center for EcoTechnology (CET)

Regional sharing of recycling and/or enforcement coordinators?

Identify potential locations to sort co-collected bagged trash and bagged food scraps?
What CCSMM-related programs/efforts do CT towns or regions have planned for 2021 or already have underway? Please share your updates!
Sustainable Materials Management Learning Series

- Topics from CCSMM Menu of Options
- Priorities identified in “Survey” for what municipalities want to learn more about
- Connecting with other municipalities
- Access to resources to help you implement new projects or programs
- Formatted like webinar, working meeting, event, something else... all virtual at this point
- Mostly monthly...
### Next Learning Series event

#### Collecting Food Scraps in Town: Residential & Commercial
April 5, 2021 - 2:00pm

Speakers: Julie DesChamps, Town of Greenwich, Carolyn Bayne, Town of Darien, Kim O'Rourke, City of Middletown and Sam King, Blue Earth Compost

Registration link found on: [https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-CCSMM](https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-CCSMM)

Presentations, handouts & additional information from these events will be posted [here](https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-CCSMM)

Additional ways to keep informed

• Sign up for CCSMM updates [HERE](#).
• Participate in Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) meetings:
  • Remaining 2021 meeting dates: April 20, June 22, Oct 26
  • SWAC meeting agendas & materials are posted [HERE](#)
  • Instructions for self-subscription to the SWAC email listserv are posted [HERE](#)
• Municipal representatives should sign up for the CTRecyclers listserv and the CT Municipal Recycling Coordinator Newsletter
  • Contact [sherill.baldwin@ct.gov](mailto:sherill.baldwin@ct.gov) for more details
• Municipalities may sign on to the CCSMM initiative at any time
  • Email Chris.Nelson@ct.gov to sign on or to learn more

• Future full CCSMM Meetings on a quarterly basis
• Attendees can post questions in the Chat box or raise hand to request to speak
Useful Links:

- Main CCSMM Webpage
- Comprehensive Materials Management Strategy
- Municipal Recycling Resource Center
- Municipal Recycling Coordinators Newsletters
- SWAC
- SustainableCT
- RecycleCT
- Council of Small Towns
- Connecticut Conference of Municipalities
- Connecticut Product Stewardship Council
Thank you CCSMM Members

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