

Food Scraps / Organics Collection & Diversion Working Group Meeting #5

December 10, 2020, 1-3

Agenda:

1. Welcome, Introductions & Overview - Co-chairs

Katie Dykes, Commissioner

Ronald McDaniel, Mayor Town of Montville

2. Group discussion on the key findings and legislative pathways

Preliminary Findings:

- Recognized & Affirmed the solid waste hierarchy (CGS Sec. 22a-228b, CMMS), and the food recovery hierarchy
- Support expanding the organics law (CGS 22a-226e)
- Need infrastructure development, small to large
- Need stable funding
- Resolve transportation logistics and manage costs
- Need variety of municipal options collection systems, processing facilities, transfer stations
- Education and technical assistance required
- Municipal partnerships and regionalization, COGs, CCM, COST, etc.

Potential Legislative Actions:

- Mandate organics diversion by expanding the organics law (CGS 22a-226e)
- Establish stable funding mechanism (infrastructure development, technical assistance, municipal programs)
- Infrastructure development
- Permit & regulatory streamlining / simplification
- 3. Public Comments
- 4. Next Steps, Schedule, Wrap-up