Connecticut Coalition for Sustainable Materials Management Full Coalition Meeting

July 16, 2021



CCSMM Housekeeping

- 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: <u>DEEP.RecyclingProgram@ct.gov</u>

CCSMM Full Coalition Meeting Agenda

- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Legislative Actions from 2021 Session
 - Session Overview
 - EPR Bill Future Approach
 - New Grant Opportunities
- RecycleCT Update
- Overview of Permitting Authorization Table for Food Waste
- Municipal and Regional Actions Update
- Next Steps Learning series, future meetings
- Public comment

CT Coalition for Sustainable Materials Management



- 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: <u>https://portal.ct.gov/</u> <u>DEEP-CCSMM</u>

Legislative Actions from 2021 Session

- Session Overview, Harrison Nantz, Legislative Liaison, CT DEEP
- EPR Bill Future Approach, Jen Heaton-Jones, Executive Director of HRRA

Grant Opportunities

- June Special Session, P.A. 21-2 (Sections 288 & 308(b)(33)) Up to \$5M to establish and administer a program to support solid waste reduction strategies
- <u>P.A. 21-58</u> (Section 6) DEEP shall develop an incentive program to assist municipalities that wish to adopt a unit-based pricing program for solid waste disposal
- <u>P.A. 21-58</u> (Section 10) 5-cent fee applied to sale of "miniatures" containing spirits or liquor. Said fees "shall be remitted by each wholesaler to every municipality where any such beverage container was sold..."
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

RecycleCT Update

 Jen Heaton-Jones, Executive Director of HRRA and RecycleCT Board Member Overview of Permitting Authorization Table for Food Waste

• Abigail Ellert, CT DEEP Permitting

Municipal and Regional Actions Update

- SCRCOG Regional Food Waste Project
- West Haven food scrap composting project
- Sharon/Salisbury food scrap pilot
- Others please share updates on any CCSMMrelated efforts that your municipality may be working on!

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 ...

Upcoming Events

Next Learning Series event

Recycling Resources to Educate and Engage Residents July 28, 2021, 1:00pm – 2:30pm ET

> <u>Speakers:</u> Kathy Boucher, Decker Creative Amanda Ardel, Decker Creative Katherine Bruns, Town of West Hartford Emily Welch, CT DEEP Sherill Baldwin, CT DEEP You!

Information and Registration Link https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-CCSMM

Presentations, handouts & additional information from these events will be posted <u>https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-CCSMM</u>

Archived Municipal Recycling Coordinators E-News and Webinars (part of Municipal Recycling Resources Center) <u>https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Reduce-Reuse-Recycle/Municipal-Recycling-Resource-Center/Archived-Municipal-Recycling-Coordinators-E-News-and-Webinars</u> Additional ways to keep informed

- Sign up for **CCSMM updates** <u>HERE</u>.
- Participate in Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) meetings:
 - Remaining 2021 meeting date: Oct 26
 - SWAC meeting agendas & materials are posted <u>HERE</u>
 - Instructions for self-subscription to the SWAC email listserv are posted <u>HERE</u>
- Municipal representatives should sign up for the CTRecyclers listserve and the CT Municipal Recycling Coordinator Newsletter

Contact <u>sherill.baldwin@ct.gov</u> for more details

CCSMM – What's next?

- "Cohort Approach" Technical Assistance DEEP to work with multiple towns at once on specific focus areas (e.g., textile diversion, food scrap collection programs at public schools) - Aim to start in Q4 2021
- What are the waste reduction-related legislative priorities for CCSMM municipalities in the next session?
- Future full CCSMM Meetings on a quarterly basis
- Municipalities may sign on to the CCSMM initiative at any time
 - Email <u>Chris.Nelson@ct.gov</u> to sign on or to learn more

Public Comments

• Attendees can post questions in the Chat box or raise hand to request to speak

CCSMM Resources

Useful Links:

- <u>Main CCSMM Webpage</u>
- <u>Comprehensive Materials Management Strategy</u>
- <u>Municipal Recycling Resource Center</u>
- <u>Municipal Recycling Coordinators Newsletters</u>
- <u>SWAC</u>
- <u>SustainableCT</u>
- <u>RecycleCT</u>
- <u>Council of Small Towns</u>
- <u>Connecticut Conference of Municipalities</u>
- <u>Connecticut Product Stewardship Council</u>

Thank you CCSMM Members

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