

Increase Recycling Working Group Meeting October 14, 2020 1-3pm



Welcome & Introductions, Co-chairs:

Laura Francis, First Selectman, Town of Durham Ben Florsheim, Mayor, City of Middletown

DEEP Support Team: Sherill Baldwin, Chelsey Hahn, Elizabeth Moore

CCSMM

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- Connecticut is looking to the future of waste reduction and sustainable materials management. DEEP and many municipalities from across the state are joining together to form the Connecticut Coalition for Sustainable Materials Management (CCSMM) and explore ways to reduce the amount of waste that is generated in our state, improve reuse, recycling, organics collection, and other innovative solutions.
- CCSMM is looking to the future to find preferred ways to reduce and manage the amount of waste produced in Connecticut that provide system reliability, environmental sustainable, and fiscal predictability. A full list of the participating jurisdictions is included at the end of this page, and will be updated as more jurisdictions sign on over time.

Welcome: Housekeeping

- Please keep audio on mute
- "Rename" yourself on Zoom to add town/affiliation (via Participants)
- This meeting is being recorded
- Non-municipal participants: Input, ideas and comments will be accepted through chat
- Anyone/everyone encouraged to provide feedback to: <u>DEEP.RecyclingProgram@ct.gov</u>

Future Meeting Dates Increase Recycling Working Group

- Tuesday, October 27: 1:00-3:00pm
- Monday, November 9: 1:00-3:00pm
- Monday, November 23: 1:00-3:00pm
- Monday, December 7: 1:00-3:00pm



- Focus of Presentations/Discussion:
 - Existing Systems/ what's working, needs improvement?
 - Resources for municipalities
 - OHow can local groups help?
 - Necessary system improvements (diversion of problematic materials, creation of convenient local collection areas for recyclables)
 - Municipal Resources: "boxed-up" solutions that are convenient, no or low cost)



Kim O'Rourke, Recycling Coordinator, City of Middletown

Presentation: Recycling Outreach & Education



Carolyn Bayne, Darien Advisory Committee on Sustainability

Presentation: Food Scrap Recycling Program, Town of Darien, CT



Brian Bartram, Manager Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station

Presentation: Transfer Station BMP and New Swap Shop



Comments/Discussion for municipal participants

 For non-municipal attendees, to submit comments and solutions, use the CHAT box or submit them through the public engagement request for comments and solutions or email: DEEP.RecyclingProgram@ct.gov



Materials to consider to achieve greater reuse/recycling:

Reuse: Textiles

Furniture (swap shop? repair?)

Reuse markets/Municipal swap shops

Electronics (reuse/repair)

Recycling: Bottle Bill (liquor bottles, including nips)

Plastic Film (WRAP program, other muni. collection areas)

Rigid Plastics

Scrap Metal

Electronics (collection of certain covered electronics* thru CT's Electronic

Recycling Law; non-CED collection options)

Tires (EPR WG?)

Hazardous Waste (EPR WG?)

Ban Difficult to Recycle? Styrofoam (EPR WG?)

Your Ideas? What did we forget?

What are your top three priorities?

Please add your top three priorities in the CHAT box



- Next Steps
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To-dos/homework before next meeting