



## System Expansion: Funding and Reimbursement for Collection and Recycling of the Uniform Statewide Collection List

Checklist for Recycling Council program plan review

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Required or Guidance Plan Component	Statute or Rule Citation	Plan Section(s)	Summary of DEQ Recommendations That Were Outstanding After Draft 2	Order Recommended by ORSAC to Meet Requirements
<b>1. An Approach to Prioritize, Schedule and Fund Eligible Costs From the Needs Assessment Pertaining to System Expansions and Improvements.</b>	ORS 459A.875(2)(a)(A) and (C), (2)(o)-(p); OAR 340-090-0790(1); and OAR 340-090-0810(1)(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>System Expansions and Improvements, pg 22-45</b>, along with the introductory sections:</li> <li>• <b>Operations Plan, pg 20, and</b></li> <li>• <b>Collection and Recycling of USCL Materials, pg 20-21</b></li> </ul>	Where appropriate, when “local governments” are cited, add “and service providers.”	
A schedule for implementing collection program expansions and improvements throughout the state.	OAR 340-090-0790(1)(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed Timeline, pg 25</li> <li>• Table 2, Schedule of Planned System Expansion Investments by Quarter and Priority Level, pg 42</li> <li>• Start-up Approach to Time-Sensitive Tasks, pg 58-59</li> </ul>	<p>Specify that all eligible costs will be funded by end of 2027.</p> <p>Add the schedule and estimated system expansion disbursements for each local government.</p> <p>Clarify the timing of negotiations and ensure that timelines represented in the sections on system expansion and start-up approach align with one another.</p>	
The proposed approach for funding eligible costs identified in the needs assessment in a way that upholds the prioritization laid out in rule, with funding offered to local governments	OAR 340-090-0790(1)(b)	Assessing Priority of Funding Requests, pg 30-31	Show categorization of each funding request.	

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in higher tiers of priority before it is offered to local governments in lower tiers of priority.				
A description of how the use of existing infrastructure will be maximized.	ORS 459A.875(2)(a)(C)	Review Funding Request Review Criteria, i. Support for Existing Services and Infrastructure, pg 26-27	Summarize how the review criterion “Support for Existing Services and Infrastructure” is being applied to make maximum use of existing infrastructure by providing data on anticipated use of existing infrastructure and/or drawing out an on-the-ground example.	
The estimated amount of funding to be disbursed, overall.	OAR 340-090-0790(1)(e) and (2)(b)	Local Government Funding Schedule, pg 31-41	Replace the range estimates of amounts to be spent per year on system expansion with singular estimates.	
The estimated amount of funding to be disbursed to individual local governments.			Show estimated funding amounts per local government.	
A method for determining funding or reimbursement amounts under ORS 459A.890(5)	OAR 340-090-0790(1)(d) and OAR 340-090-0810(1)(a)(A)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application Process for Funding Requests, pg 26</li> <li>• Funding Request Review Criteria, pg 26-28</li> <li>• Approach to Funding Disbursement, pg 28-29</li> <li>• Local Government Funding Schedule, pg 31-32</li> </ul>	Clarify how the efficiency criterion for funding review will be applied while still upholding the statutory requirement to fund all eligible costs.	
A process, including the process timeline, for how the producer responsibility organization will resolve any disputes involving compensation of local governments and local governments’ service providers under ORS 459A.890(5).	ORS 459A.875(2)(e)	Dispute Settlement Process relating to Service Expansion Funding Requests, pg 43-44	Lay out a process and timeline for dispute resolution.	

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A description of the process a local government, a local government service provider or other persons authorized by a local government to receive payment must follow to invoice the producer responsibility organization for reimbursement of costs or advanced funding. The information provided may include sample forms for reimbursement or advanced funding requests.	OAR 340-090-0810(1)(a)(B)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System Expansion Funding Administrative Process, pg 43</li> <li>• Accountability Mechanisms, pg 45</li> </ul>	Add a description of the proposed approach to invoicing and accountability.	
<b>2. Methods for calculating and reimbursing transportation costs</b>	OAR 340-090-0780 and	<b>Transportation Reimbursements, pg 46-51</b>		
Methods for advance funding and reimbursements to local governments, a local government's service provider or other person authorized by the local government to receive transportation reimbursements.	ORS 459A.875(2)(o)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Model, pg 47-48</li> <li>• Registration of Claimants, pg 48</li> <li>• Submissions and Reimbursements, pg 49</li> <li>• Claims Submission Content, pg 49-50</li> <li>• Timing of Payments, pg 50</li> </ul>	Describe how the proposed approach, which includes a pre-approval process for each shipment, will balance the need for efficiency with the need for adequate oversight.	
A process, including the process timeline, for how the producer responsibility organization will resolve any disputes involving compensation of local governments and local governments' service providers under ORS 459A.890(2).	ORS 459A.875(2)(e)	Dispute Settlement Process, pg 50	Provide additional detail on load rejection due to contamination -- for example, standards for load rejection that could be accepted across all participating CRPFs.  Provide additional detail on the dispute resolution process.	
Methods for calculating reimbursement amounts for transportation costs in accordance with established requirements, including:	OAR 340-090-0780(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Model, pg 47-48</li> <li>• Establishing Standard Rates, pg 48-49</li> </ul>	Indicate how the proposed method will address possible rural-urban inequity related to transportation reimbursements.	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Percentage of Covered Material in Commingled Loads, pg 50</li> <li>• Voluntary Transportation Option, pg 50-51</li> <li>• Opportunities for Efficiency and Effectiveness, pg 51</li> </ul>		
an approach for enabling fluctuations in input costs, such as fuel, to automatically factor into the reimbursement amounts over time;	OAR 340-090-0780(1)(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Model, pg 47-48</li> <li>• Establishing Standard Rates, pg 48-49</li> </ul>	Detail the methodology, including data sources and process/schedule, for accounting for fluctuations in input costs in the reimbursement rates.	
a voluntary option that allows local governments or service providers and a producer responsibility organization to agree to transfer some or all transportation responsibilities to the producer responsibility organization or coordinating body;	OAR 340-090-0780(1)(b)	Voluntary Transportation Option, pg 50-51	No outstanding concerns.	
a means of accounting for proximity to an appropriate commingled recycling processing facility or responsible end market that has capacity to process or recycle the material and other factors that could affect transportation costs;	OAR 340-090-0780(1)(c)	Establishing Standard Rates, pg 48-49	Explain how facility capacity will be assessed.	
a description of the mandatory consultations with local governments and service providers that informed the development of the methods; and	OAR 340-090-0780(1)(d)	Consultation Process, pg 46-47	List Local Governments and Service Providers consulted across the state and describe the feedback received.	
a description of opportunities that were identified for increasing efficiency and achieving full	n/a	Material Compaction, pg 51	State what options for compaction will be allowed/disallowed or incentivized/disincentivized.	

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transport loads (e.g. an approach for balancing the environmental benefits of transportation efficiency with the environmental impacts of baling)				
<b>3. Approaches to Additional Reimbursement and Funding for Local Governments</b>	ORS 459A.875(2)(o)	<b>Additional Reimbursement and Funding for Local Governments, pg 52-57</b>		
Methods for advance funding and reimbursements to local governments, a local government's service provider or other person authorized by the local government to receive funding for contamination reduction.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contamination Evaluation, pg 52-53</li> <li>• Contamination Reduction Programming, pg 53-55</li> </ul>	<p>Cover contamination funding in two sections regarding funding for contamination evaluation (ORS 459A.890(3)) and funding for contamination reduction programming (ORS 459A.890(4)).</p> <p>Update the content to account for relevant rules passed in rulemaking 2.</p>	
A method for estimating and reimbursing the possible additional costs of local government compliance with ORS 459A.908 (the requirement that all roll carts purchased after January 1, 2026, must contain at least 10% post-consumer recycled content).	ORS 459A.890(6)	Ensuring 10% Post-Consumer Content in Roll Carts, pg 55	Detail the specific requirements for local governments to make claims for payment to cover the possible price premium between 10%+ PCR content roll carts and virgin-material carts.	
Any additional funding to local governments or other measures for the purpose of protecting ratepayers from increased costs.	ORS 459A.875(2)(k)	Measures to Protect Ratepayers from Increased Costs, pg 55-57	Consider providing more detailed and frequent information to local governments for their use in rate setting.	

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