

Recycling Modernization Act: Commingled Recycling Processing Facility Listening Session Meeting Summary



Dec. 17, 2024: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (PT)

Schedule

1:00 p.m.	Welcome Justin Gast with DEQ opened the listening session with a welcome and an overview of the agenda.
1:05 p.m.	CRPF permitting process Justin and Steven Chang (in DEQ's NW Region), addressed the need for the CRPF term, what makes a facility eligible to receive a CRPF permit and walked attendees through the permitting process, whether that involved a facility transitioning from an existing disposal site permit to the new CRPF permit or new, proposed facilities applying for the first time. DEQ also answered questions from CRPFs related to the permitting process, most notably answering questions related to newly approved rule language that establishes a February 1, 2025 deadline for application submittal (from existing facilities).
1:30 p.m.	CRPF permit program requirements Justin and Steven addressed all requirements under the new CRPF permit program, requirements that take effect as of July 1, 2025 (Note: some of the requirements under the new CRPF permit exist under the current Transfer Station/MRF Disposal Site permit). These requirements include the capture rate and outbound contamination rate performance standards; how assessments of the performance standards will be handled; use of responsible end-markets, including screening/verification of those markets; quarterly material disposition reporting; reporting and recordkeeping requirements; environmental and public health standards; and, handling of construction and facility modifications. DEQ then answered questions from CRPF participants, which largely revolved around reporting and when a facility should inform DEQ of any planned facility modifications or equipment replacement.
2:15 p.m.	PRO funding Justin reminded attendees of the two major funding mechanisms to CRPFs in the future system: The Processor Commodity Risk Fee and the Contamination Management Fee. Justin addressed at a high level how the PCRPF will be determined on a monthly basis (total eligible tons multiplied by the total of the fee rate (fixed in rule under OAR 340-090-0820(2) less the average commodity value (updated monthly by DEQ, with process to determine ACV described under OAR 340-090-0820(3)) and the requirements associated with invoicing of the fee. Justin then addressed the CMF, detailing what material is eligible to receive funding and what material isn't. Additionally, he covered the fee rates to be used with eligible material (fee rates are fixed in rule under OAR 340-090-0830(2)) and how covered product contamination will be handled under the CMF. DEQ answered questions from CRPF participants related to both fees, with most of the questions related to how the

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	weighting factors associated with the ACV would be updated, the handling of covered product contamination and the invoicing algorithm to be used by Circular Action Alliance associated with the CMF.
2:30 p.m.	Public input There was no public comment.
2:35 p.m.	Open discussion DEQ answered a few random RMA-related questions from CRPF participants.
3:00 p.m.	Adjourn

Meeting Attendees

Justin Gast, DEQ	Breeana Sheffield, Waste Connections	Brian Oatway, Republic Services
Steven Chang, DEQ	Josh Brown, Waste Connections	Matt Ketchem, Republic Services
Caitlyn Peake, DEQ	Mike McCracken, Far West Recycling	Steve Baker, Republic Services
Audrey O'Brien, DEQ	Vinod Singh, Far West Recycling	Sal Navarro, Republic Services
Bob Barrows, DEQ	Frank Nelson, Recology	Erica Haitisma, Republic Services
Cat Rhoades, DEQ	Dutch Daetwiler, Recology	Kenneth Larson, Republic Services
Colin Teem, DEQ	Brendan Flath, Recology	Cindy Rogers, Republic Services
Craig Filip, DEQ	Kade Klienstuber, Recology	Stephen Henry, Baker Sanitary Service
Telicia Hixson, DEQ	Fred Hanks, Recology	Dave Larmouth, Dahl Disposal
Marissa Meyer, DEQ	Marcia King, Recology	Lexi Howell, North Lincoln Sanitary Service
Laurie Gordon, DEQ	Canaan Abdulhadi, Recology	Kennedy Jantzi, Marion Resource Recovery Facility
Scott Jenkins, EFI	Russ Goff, WM	Chris Papinsick, Metro
Jeff Murray, EFI	Rob Jones, WM	Elizabeth Cole, City of Beaverton
Mark Samuel, EFI	Ariel Oliver, WM	Angie Marzano, Lane County
Nathan Smith, Waste Connections	Jeff Zillich, WM	Dan Hurley, Lane County
Jason Hudson, Waste Connections	Pete Grell, Garten Recycling Services	Julianah Douglas, City of Salem
Jody Snyder, Waste Connections	Mark Andersen, Bulk Handling Systems	Tim Dooley, Association of Oregon Counties

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Laura Leebrick, Waste Connections	Robin Schaefers, Bulk Handling Systems	Beth Vargas Duncan, Oregon Refuse and Recycling Association
Aaron Donley, Waste Connections	Jim Webb, Bulk Handling Systems	Brad Lovaas, Washington Refuse and Recycling Association
Luke Pyke, Waste Connections	Gary Weber, Bulk Handling Systems	Greg Ryan, Circular Action Alliance
Kevin Miracle, Waste Connections	Steve Miller, Bulk Handling Systems	Jay Simmons, North Pacific Paper Company (NORPAC)
Jim Winterbottom, Waste Connections	Travis St Clair, International Paper	Joel Schoening, RRS
Kris Wright, Waste Connections	Todd Garrett, Westrock	Dan Leif, The Recycling Partnership
Tiffany Rogde, Waste Connections	Matt Glastetter, Westrock	Scott Mouw, The Recycling Partnership
Heather Bucher, Waste Connections	Hal Risher, Westrock	Sarah Glathar, GeoEngineers
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