



Overview/Update on The AB 1583 Statewide Commission on Recycling Markets and Curbside Recycling Activities

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AB 1583 Statewide Commission on Recycling Markets and Curbside Recycling

- The California Recycling Market Development Act (AB 1583, Eggman, Chapter 690, Statutes of 2019) requires:
- CalRecycle to convene by July 1, 2020, a Statewide Commission on Recycling Markets and Curbside Recycling consisting of representative of public agencies, private solid waste enterprises, and environmental organizations that have expertise in recycling.
- The Commission to issue policy recommendations to achieve market development goals, waste reduction goals, and provide regular feedback to CalRecycle on public messaging designed to encourage proper recycling and to minimize contamination in curbside recycling programs.

AB 2287 and the AB 1583 Commission

AB 2287 (Eggman, 2020) requires the Commission to:

- Issue preliminary policy recommendations to the California Legislature or any state or federal agency on or before January 1, 2021;
- Issue final policy recommendations and identify products that are recyclable or compostable and regularly collected in curbside recycling programs by July 1, 2021;
- Requires the Commission to provide an opportunity for the public to review and provide comment.

Members of the Commission

Commissioner	Affiliation
John Bouchard	Teamsters 350, Principle Officer
Deborah Cadena	Kern County Recycling
John Davis	Mojave Desert and Mountain Recycling Authority
Jan Dell	The Last Beach Cleanup, Founder
Jeff Donlevy	Ming's Recycling, General Manager
Laura Ferrante	Waste Alternatives, Owner
Joseph Kalpakoff	Mid Valley Disposal, CEO
Nick Lapis	Californians Against Waste, Director of Advocacy
Manuel Medrano	City of Chula Vista, Environmental Services Manager
Alex Oseguera	Waste Management, Director of Government Affairs
Eric Potashner	Recology, Senior Director of Strategic Affairs
Heidi Sanborn <u>Commission Chair</u>	National Stewardship Action Council
Ann Schneider	Millbrae Vice Mayor
Coby Skye	LA County Public Works, Assistant Deputy Director
Sara Toyoda	City of Indio, Environmental Programs Coordinator
Richard Valle <u>Commission Vice-Chair</u>	Tri-CED Community Recycling, CEO
Tedd Ward	Del Norte Solid Waste Management Director

Market Development Committee

Members: John Davis (Chair), Ann Schneider (Vice-Chair), Manuel Medrano, Eric Potashner, Heidi Sanborn, and Sara Toyoda

Priorities include:

- (1) Increasing market demand for postconsumer and secondary waste materials.
- (2) Increasing demand for recycled content products.
- (3) Promoting efficient local waste diversion systems.
- (4) Promoting the competitive collection and use of secondary waste materials.

Policy Proposals:

- 64 recommendations in the four priority areas
- 10 Recommendations to improve the State Agency Buy Recycled Campaign (SABRC) have been sent up to the Commission.

Organics Committee

Members: Eric Potashner (Chair), Tedd Ward (Vice-Chair), Deborah Cadena, Laura Ferrante, Joseph Kalpakoff, Nick Lapis, Alex Oseguera, and Coby Skye

Priorities include:

- (1) Identify and define what is compostable?
- (2) Provide recommendations for achieving SB 1383
 - (A) Food Recovery
 - (B) Food Waste prevention, and
 - (C) Organics Waste Diversion and Management

Policy Proposals include:

- Precautionary Principle
 - Vetting chemicals to be allowed on products that touch organics
 - Banning the use of PFAS on products that touch organics
- Expand Food Recovery Infrastructure
- Definition of Compostable

Recycling Committee

Members: Jeff Donlevy (Chair), Alex Oseguera (Vice-Chair), John Bouchard, Jan Dell, Laura Ferrante, Joseph Kalpakoff, Nick Lapis, and Richard Valle

Priorities include:

(1) Determine which items are actually recycled based on the seven criteria of the definition of Recyclable in PRC 42370.2

Policy Proposals include:

- List of recycled items (15 vs 70)
- Design for recyclability
- Paying grocers and dealers to take material in store
- Redefining convenience zones re: AB 54
- Ecommerce packaging (recycled paper only)
- Serve underserved areas
- Qualification pathway for products to be Listed as statewide recycled

Labeling and Media Committee

Members: Jan Dell (Chair), Ann Schneider (Vice-Chair), John Davis, Jeff Donlevy, Coby Skye, and Sara Toyoda

Priorities include:

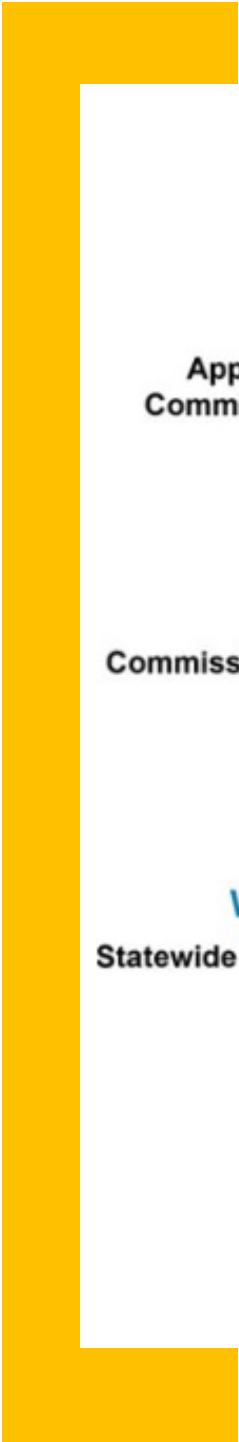
(1) Specific technical guidance on labeling and media for CalRecycle with a focus on:

- (A) Residential curbside recycling, and
- (B) Organics, which includes commercial.

(2) Providing input on CalRecycle's Public Education and Outreach Campaign and Community Based Social Marketing (CBSM).

Policy Proposals include:

- New labeling and identification system



Winter 2019

Applications for Statewide Commission Available on CalRecycle Website

Winter 2020

Applications for Statewide Commission Due and Review Process Begins

Spring/Summer 2020

First Statewide Commission Meeting

Throughout 2020

Commission Meetings Continue

January 1, 2021

Statewide Commission Releases Preliminary Recommendations

Winter/Spring 2021

Statewide Commission Meetings Continue

July 1, 2021

Statewide Commission Releases First Annual Policy Recommendations and Identifies Recyclable or Compostable Products Regularly Collected in Curbside Recycling Programs.

Timeline



CalRecycle Presentation on Conversion Technologies

John Sitts, Senior Environmental Scientist, CalRecycle

Stated that Conversion Technology, based on statute PRC 40200(b) would be considered a recycling facility and does not require a permit if it meets the following 3-part test:

- (1) Only accepts material that has been sourced separated and is not solid waste.
- (2) Results in less than 10% residual waste for disposal.
- (3) The material received contains less than 1% putrescible material.

The Commission requested (1) Information regarding “Chemical recycling” as defined by other states and countries, and (2) To be contacted if you have a conversion technology that meets the definition of recycling and will help the state to meet its goals.

For More Information

AB 1583 Statewide Commission:

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/markets/commission

- Listserv
- Commission Documents
- Submit Public Comments

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