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### City of Los Angeles S.A.F.E Permanent Collection Centers

Open Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., unless otherwise noted. Services suspended during rainy weather. For information, call (800) 98-TOXIC (988-6942).

Gaffey Street Collection Center 1400 N. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731

Hyperion Treatment Plant 7660 W. Imperial Highway, Gate B, Playa Del Rey, CA 90293

Washington Boulevard Collection Center 2649 E. Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90021

Randall Street S.A.F.E. Center 11025 Randall Street, Sun Valley, CA 91352

**UCLA Location** (E-waste accepted on Saturdays only) 550 Charles E. Young Drive West, Los Angeles, CA 90095 Open Thursday - Saturday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Los Angeles/Glendale Collection Center (Temporarily closed)** 4600 Colorado Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90039

### Los Angeles County Permanent Collection Centers

### Antelope Valley Environmental Collection Center

Antelope Valley Public Landfill, 1200 West City Ranch Road, Palmdale, CA 93551 Open 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

### **EDCO Environmental Collection Center**

EDCO Recycling and Transfer Center, 2755 California Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755 Open 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### **About Household Hazardous Waste**

Items accepted: paint and solvents, used motor oil and filters, antifreeze and other automotive fluids, cleaning products, pool and garden chemicals, aerosol cans, all medicines except for controlled substances, auto batteries, household batteries, computers, monitors, printers, network equipment, cables, telephones, televisions, microwaves, video games, cell phones, radios, stereos, VCRs and electronic toys. **Not accepted: business waste, ammunition, explosives, radioactive material, trash, tires and bulky items such as furniture, refrigerators, washing machines/ dryers and stoves.** 



## **The Wizard of Waste**



Photo: At the Southern California Waste Management Forum, Christopher Sheppard presented Mike Mohajer with a commendation from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Michael 'Mike' Mohajer, known to us as the Wizard of Waste, stepped down from the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/ Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) in January 2025 after serving over 20 years as a Public Representative.

Mike has been involved with environmental issues, specifically solid waste and hazardous waste management, for over 44 years. He began his career with Los Angeles County and then worked briefly for the private industry, returning to the County in 1979. In 2000, Mike became the Assistant Deputy Director for Los Angeles County Public Works, managing its Environmental Programs Division, and had extensive involvement in the implementation of Assembly Bill 939 (California Integrated Waste Management Act), which mandated a reduction of waste being diverted to landfills. Mike worked diligently to assist with the County's compliance. He retired in March 2003.

On May 13, 2003, Mike was appointed by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) to serve on the Task Force as an alternate member representing the public interest, and on April 13, 2005, he was appointed by the Board to serve as a regular member representing public interest. In the interim, Mike also served as the Chair of the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Facilities Hearing Board as an appointee of the Board, ensuring solid waste facilities operators' compliance with AB 939 requirements. The Task Force has had the responsibility of guiding the 88 cities in Los Angeles County and County unincorporated communities in their development of their planning documents related to solid waste. They also undertook the issues related to Senate Bill 1383 that requires California to reduce the amount of organic waste sent to landfills by 75 percent and to recover at least 20 percent of edible food for consumption by 2025. Mike was always up for challenges, especially those involved in legislation. He was also the Task Force's Legislative Liaison and in 2008 was recognized by the American Society of Civil Engineers as the "Outstanding Engineer in Legislative Activities in the State of California."

In addition to serving on the Task Force, he also served on its three Subcommittees:

- Alternative Technology Advisory
- Facility and Plan Review
- Public Education and Information

Mike is widely recognized as a leader and to many, a pioneer in the solid waste management field with his wealth of knowledge. To add to his accolade, he served on numerous environmental committees and associations. For example, he was appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly to the California Integrated Waste Management Board's Local Government Technical Advisory Committee in 2002 and was the Chair of the Solid Waste Association of North America, California's Legislative Task Force from 2004 – 2005.

With Mike's nearly half a century of expertise and demonstrated experience in all facets of solid waste, and serving over 20 years on the Task Force, we will surely miss his notable contributions.

Thank you, Mike, for sharing your wisdom about waste management and for your many years of service. You have truly earned the title Wizard of Waste!





## **12th Annual Zero Waste Symposium**



On February 26, 2025, the Zero Waste San Diego held their 12th Annual Zero Waste Symposium at the San Diego County Operations Center. Zero Waste San Diego is a non-profit organization, that promotes and manages zero waste programs and events, advocates for resource management policy changes, and educates people on adopting a sustainable lifestyle.

This symposium featured 39 speakers, including local businesses, public agencies, waste haulers, policymakers, and other organizations. Each provided brief, 10-minute presentations on their zero waste initiatives during this one-day event. The presenters covered topics such as zero waste programs and businesses, edible food recovery, fix-it clinics, composting, and compliance with Senate Bill (SB) 1383 organic waste disposal reduction regulations. Policymakers and representatives from local jurisdictions, regulatory agencies, local businesses, and advocacy organizations attended the conference.

California Senator Catherine Blakespear (District 38) was the keynote speaker. She presented the importance of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and the SB 54 regulations, addressing the impacts of single-

use packaging and plastic food service ware. She stated that laws making the industry responsible for their products would lead to cost-effective solutions. Senator Blakespear also shared that CalRecycle will publish a Zero Waste Plan in 2026 to summarize effective waste management programs and identify new programs needed.

Mr. Nate Pelczar of the California Product Stewardship Council and Mr. Jordan Wells of the National Stewardship Action Council presented on EPR legislation. They stated that lawmakers adopted SB 707 in 2024. It requires textile producers to join a producer responsibility organization to plan for the collection, transportation, repair, sorting, recycling, and safe disposal of textile products. It encourages textile producers to develop more durable textile products that are easier to repair and recycle to make it less likely that they end up in landfills. They also discussed proposed EPR legislation to address various products such as household hazardous waste, marine flares, tethered plastic bottle caps, disposable vape pens, and solar photovoltaic modules. Mr. Wells stated that California's Sharps Waste





Stewardship Program exemplifies a successful EPR program.

Mr. Ted Reiff presented for The ReUse People, a construction material recycling non profit organization. He shared that the organization was founded in 1993 when they began donating used building materials to Mexico to help support reconstruction efforts following the El Niño disaster. Since then, they have deconstructed many buildings and diverted 400,000 tons of construction and demolition material from landfills. Homeowners can donate materials and receive a tax deduction. The ReUse People provide training to those who want to work in the deconstruction business, and they recently expanded to deconstructing commercial buildings in addition to residential. They found that repurposing and recycling material from interior renovations saves enough energy to heat and cool every homes in San Francisco for an entire year. Efforts like these help local jurisdictions implement ordinances to reduce construction and demolition debris disposal.

Ms. Romi Rossel and Ms. Fiorella Borkert presented on their reuse business, Bountiful Bags, which began by upcycling single-use brewery malt bags into clothing and purses. They are fashion designers and visual artists who handcraft all their products from reused materials. Their business operates in the San Diego area, where numerous breweries use about 30 malt bags per day. They recently began upcycling single-use festival banners and promotional items from commercial advertisement campaigns. They also receive end-ofseason fabric swatches from retailers and excess automotive fabrics that they upcycle using a reverse design process.

Many other speakers presented on topics during this event, in addition to those highlighted above. More information about Zero Waste San Diego and the annual Zero Waste Symposium can be found at www.zerowastesandiego.org.



## **Malibu's Waste Reduction Plan**



The City of Malibu (City) actively engages in various initiatives to improve recycling, solid waste management, and waste reduction. The City is strongly focused on combating climate change by promoting sustainable practices and addressing critical environmental issues, such as methane production in landfills. Methane, a potent greenhouse gas, contributes significantly to global warming, while the potential for contaminating water sources through groundwater poses additional environmental risks. To address these challenges, the City is committed to reducing landfill pollution and encouraging composting practices as a key part of its sustainability efforts.

The City has utilized CalRecycle grant funds to enhance outreach for its Organics Recycling Program. This initiative provides various educational opportunities to engage the community and increase awareness of the environmental benefits of recycling organic waste. City staff continues to offer monthly, virtual Organic Waste Recycling training sessions designed to educate residents about the environmental impact of organic waste and provide guidance on proper waste sorting. These sessions also address program requirements and offer practical advice on preventing contamination of recyclables. As part of the initiative, participants are provided free kitchen collection caddies to collect food scraps, which can then be placed in their curbside green waste bins, making it easier for residents to contribute to waste reduction.

In addition to virtual training, the City has held in-person sessions at City Hall, specifically targeting senior citizens and local youth. These sessions are customized to meet the needs of different age groups and include valuable information on food waste reduction and strategies for recovering edible food. To effectively promote these initiatives, the City has employed a comprehensive approach using a variety of print and digital outreach tools. These include the City's website, social media platforms such as NextDoor, Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), Instagram, and Print media like newspaper ads and postcards, and lastly, Malibu TV. This multi-channel has significantly strategy increased the visibility of the Organics Recycling Program and its educational components. Since launching these outreach efforts in October 2022, the City has seen an almost 37 percent increase in engagement rates across all platforms, with a nearly 10 percent rise in post impressions in 2024 compared to the previous year.

These efforts are part of the City's broader commitment to sustainability, reducing waste, and tackling the environmental impacts of climate change. For more information on the City's Organics Recycling Program, visit www.MalibuCity.org/organics.

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## **SoCal SWANA Workshop**



The Southern California founding chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) held a workshop at the Planes of Fame Air Museum in Chino, California, on February 13, 2024. Representatives from local jurisdictions and agencies, industry stakeholders, and others attended this workshop.

Ms. Michelle Leonard of SCS Engineers, and President of the SoCal SWANA Chapter, provided opening remarks and highlighted that SWANA issues statements and positions about relevant solid waste topics such as lithium-ion batteries and industry safety standards. The first speaker was Ms. April Hamud of HF&H Consultants. Ms. Hamud presented on Senate Bill (SB) 1383 Procurement Strategies. She stated that the jurisdiction population determines the annual SB 1383 procurement requirement, and that compost is the most readily available product. She highlighted that many cities, such as Corona, Fremont, Garden Grove, Moreno Valley, Oakland, San Ramon, and Sunnyvale, have released solicitations for recovered organic waste product procurement. Ms. Hamud also noted that compost brokers can help jurisdictions products and buyers, set up service provider agreements, and track procurement amounts. Additionally, she discussed recent California State legislation that may provide local jurisdictions with greater flexibility in meeting requirements by providing additional options and methods to acquire procurement credit.

Ms. Michelle Mikesell of LA Sanitation & Environment presented on the Food Rescue program in the City of Los Angeles. She shared that the city launched the program in January 2018 and adopted an organic waste ordinance in 2023. Since its inception, the program has diverted 69 million meals from waste streams annually.

The third speaker was Mr. Pat Stanford of Coviana LLC, who presented on Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Solutions and Considerations. He explained that PFAS designation includes many different organic compounds commonly used to produce waterproof clothing and gear, firefighting foam, and medications. Mr. Stanford stated that PFAS are not harmful at normal concentrations, but are bio-accumulative and can cause





health impacts from long-term cumulative exposure. He noted that PFAS are present in landfill leachate. Mr. Stanford discussed current PFAS treatment and destruction options, including ways to reduce treatment costs as new technologies are developed to address PFAS.

Lastly, Ms. Kawsar Vazifdar of Los Angeles County Public Works and Ms. Dalia Gonzalez of the City of Long Beach presented on Reuse and Fix-it Clinics. Ms. Vazifdar stated that residents can bring items, such as small appliances, jewelry, bicycles, clothing, and more, to the fix-it clinic events for free repairs. These events aim to reduce waste by encouraging the repair of broken items rather than discarding them. Waste prevention has the smallest environmental impact of any waste management strategy and is at the top of the County's preferred waste management hierarchy. Ms. Vazifdar emphasized the importance of collaborating with jurisdictions, non-profit organizations, and other entities to help host, advertise, and support the clinics and find community spaces, such as libraries, that can host clinics. Ms. Gonzalez discussed the benefits of advertising fix-it clinic events on social media and in local publications and stated that local jurisdictions can use volunteers from other municipal programs, such as composting and recycling, to help at fix-it clinic events. She said fix-it clinic event planners should select venues with sufficient space, proper lighting, electrical access, and full accessibility. Both speakers noted that the fix-it clinic events have a greater than 70 percent repair success rate and recommended requiring attendees to pre-register to ensure the necessary tools are available. They also advised informing participants that not all items are guaranteed to be fixed and limiting repairs to only one item per person. Additionally, they emphasized the importance of tracking repair data and hosting clinics on weekend afternoons when residents are more likely to attend.

More information about the SoCal SWANA Founding Chapter can be found at <u>www.socalswana.org</u>.

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## Free Disposal Day Events at Landfills Limited to Certain Los Angeles County Unincorporated Communities



A few landfills in Los Angeles County will be hosting Free Disposal Day events in 2025. The events provide specific Los Angeles County communities within Supervisorial Districts (SD) 3 and 5 with opportunities to dispose of up to one ton of trash free of charge, which helps combat illegal dumping. In 2024, approximately 1,400 residents took advantage of the Free Disposal Day events, bringing in over 1,170 tons of trash for disposal.

Listed below is information on upcoming events at various landfills for 2025:

### Lancaster Landfill

Semi-annual (April and October) on the first Saturday of the month from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., located at 600 East Avenue F, Lancaster CA 93535. Events are only open to residents of unincorporated areas of the Antelope Valley (SD5).

### **Sunshine Canyon Landfill**

Semi-Annual (April and October) on the third Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., located at 14747 San Fernando Road, Sylmar CA 91342. Events are only open to residents of the unincorporated communities of Sunland, Kagel Canyon, Lopez Canyon, West Chatsworth, West Hills, Oat Mountain/Twin Lakes and Lake Manor (SD3 and SD5).

For questions about these events, contact Mr. Ramon Herman of Los Angeles County Public Works at (626) 458-6986 or <u>RHerman@pw.lacounty.gov</u>.



## **SPRING 2025 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) continuously monitors and analyzes legislation that may impact solid waste management in Los Angeles County. Below are summaries of legislation the Task Force has tracked during the start of the 2025/2026 Legislative Session.

### California State Legislation:

### **Bill Number / Author**

AB 27 Schiavo

Amended March 3, 2025

Status

This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, and before January 1, 2029, would provide an exclusion from gross income for amounts received, on or after March 1, 2024, as compensation for loss, damages, expenses, relocation, suffering, loss in real property value, closing costs with respect to real property, including relator commissions, or inconvenience, including access to the real property, related to the Chiquita Canyon elevated temperature landfill event in the County of Los Angeles. The bill would include additional information required for any bill authorizing a new tax expenditure.

AB 28

Schiavo

Amended March 24, 2025

This would require an operator of a solid waste landfill to continuously monitor temperature sensors on flares for landfill gas temperature and to provide temperature sensor data on its website and its local enforcement agency. Temperatures exceeding 131 degrees Fahrenheit over 60 days trigger a corrective action plan and notifications. Higher thresholds of 146 degrees Fahrenheit and 162 degrees Fahrenheit for the same duration necessitate further interventions, including a multiagency investigation and potential permit suspension/revocation. Failure to comply with reporting or corrective action requirements can result in daily penalties up to \$10,000, with a \$1,000,000 weekly penalty for prolonged extreme temperatures.

**AB 70** Aguiar-Curry

Amended March 11, 2025

This bill would define pyrolysis as the thermal decomposition of material at elevated temperatures in the absence or near absence of oxygen. It would also require CalRecycle, no later than January 1, 2027, to amend regulations to include pipeline biomethane converted exclusively from organic waste, as a recovered organic waste product attributable to a local jurisdiction's procurement target.



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### **Bill Number / Author**

Amended March 12, 2025

This bill would authorize civil penalties of \$25,000 per day if a violation of any provision is intentional of knowing. It would exempt a covered product from current transport requirements if certain conditions are met, including that it is returned to the producer. The bill would expand the approved collection sites to include certain carpet recycling centers, municipal facilities, and retailers. Would require a producer to publish on its internet website, for each of its covered products, the components that constitute more than 1% of the product's weight and any component that is a hazardous chemical, and require a producer responsibility plan to explain how producers will use standardized stamping or some other means to provide a visual mark on the back of a covered product that provides the name of the manufacturer, the date of manufacture, and a listing of face fibers and backing materials contained in the product.

AB 436 Ramsom

**AB 80** 

Aguiar-Curry

Amended March 10, 2025

This bill would require, the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation along with CalRecycle to develop technical advisory by June 1, 2027, detailing best practices for siting composting facilities. Upon revising land use elements after the advisory is posted, cities, counties, and city and county entities must consider incorporating best practices, sample general plan, and model ordinance reflected in the technical advisory and to consider updating the land use element to identify areas where composting facilities may be appropriate as an allowable use by January 1, 2029.

AB 473 Wilson

Introduced February 6, 2025

This bill would require, before January 1, 2027, that a product or packaging that is a covered material be considered recyclable in the state if the producer is approved by a producer responsibility organization (PRO) to participate in that organization. On or after January 1, 2027, and before January 1, 2032, the bill would require that a product or packaging that is a covered material be considered recyclable in the state if the producer complies with the requirements of the Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act.



### **Bill Number / Author**

### Status

AB 762

Irwin

Amended March 28, 2025

This bill would prohibit, beginning January 1, 2026, a person from selling, distributing, or offering for sale a new or refurbished disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device in this state. The bill would define a "disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device" to mean a vaporization device that is not designed or intended to be reused. Would authorize a city, a county, a city and county, or the state, to enforce the above-described disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device prohibition and to impose civil liability on a person or entity in violation of the prohibition in specified fine amounts, including \$500 for the first violation.

AB 864 Ward

Amended April 21, 2025

This bill would exempt solar photovoltaic modules identified as hazardous waste and treated as universal waste from state hazardous waste regulations, if transferred to a designated recycler for legitimate recycling.

### AB 973

Hoover

Amended April 22, 2025

This bill would repeal the current program for the recycling of rigid plastic packaging containers and replace it with a new program for recycling plastic packaging and products. Requires, on or before July 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, a manufacturer of a covered product to pay an annual registration charge and to register with CalRecycle. Requires a manufacturer to provide certain information during registration; would subject a manufacturer that is not in compliance with the registration requirement to an administrative civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 for each day of a violation. The bill would, on and after January 1, 2029, require a manufacturer to include, as part of its annual registration, proof of third-party certification of the postconsumer recycled content of each of its covered products. Requires a manufacturer to meet certain annual minimum postconsumer recycled content percentages for covered products.

AB 1153 Bonta

Amended April 22, 2025

This bill would authorize CalRecycle, to provide program funding to public entities to abate illegal disposal sites for removing and disposing of recreational vehicles and for enforcement strategies including developing local enforcement teams and illegal dumping enforcement officers.

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### **Bill Number / Author**

### AB 1304

Aguiar-Curry

This bill would require paint manufacturers to develop and implement a program to recover, reuse, and recycle postconsumer paint. The bill would define "paint recovery" to mean the process of collecting and transporting leftover paint for the purpose of reuse, processing, or recycling to reduce its environmental impact and disposal costs. Furthermore, would require the development and updating of education and outreach materials, require a stewardship plan's education and outreach efforts to also promote the proper use and handling of paint products, and require efforts to include investment in the training of workforce in the state by working with CA apprenticeship programs for training apprentices and journey-level painters.

### SB 45 Padilla

This bill would require, starting on January 1, 2027, beverage containers sold in the state, to have a cap that is intended to stay attached to the bottle when it is opened by a consumer. Bottles that have a 70% recycling rate are exempt until January 1, 2028. Containers with a capacity of 2 liters or more and beverage containers that contain beer or other malt beverages, wine or distilled spirits, or 100% fruit juice will be exempt. Would also exempt a refillable plastic beverage container and a beverage manufacturer that sold or transferred 16M or fewer plastic beverage containers.

### SB 279

McNerney

Amended March 20, 2025

This bill would revise the total amount of feedstock and compost onsite to not exceed 500 cubic yards instead of the 100 cubic yards and 750 sq ft restrictions. Composting agricultural materials and residues from large-scale biomass management events at specific agricultural facilities is classified as an excluded activity and is not subject to solid waste facility regulations. This bill would allow these medium-sized operations (between 500 and 12,500 cubic yards) to accept up to 10% food waste for 5 years without needing a full permit, as long as they meet certain rules. Would authorize those composting operations to give away or sell up to 5,000 cubic yards of compost product annually.

### SB 404 Caballero

Amended April 21, 2025

This bill would repeal current provisions and implement a comprehensive regulatory framework for metal shredding facilities. Prohibits owners or operators from operating such facilities without a permit from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) or being classified as having a permit. The bill would require, before a decision is made to approve or deny the application, DTSC to hold a public meeting or solicit comment from the community on the completed application materials.

Amended March 5, 2025

Amended April 3, 2025



### **Bill Number / Author**

### Status

SB 501 Allen

Amended April 7, 2025

This bill would establish a producer responsibility program for products containing household hazardous waste and would require a producer responsibility organization (PRO) to ensure the safe and convenient collection and management of covered products at no cost to consumers or local governments. The bill would define "covered product" to mean a consumer product that is ignitable, toxic, corrosive, or reactive, or that meets other specified criteria. The bill would require a producer of a covered product to register with the PRO, which would be required to develop and implement a producer responsibility plan for the collection, transportation, and the safe and proper management of covered products.

SB 561 Blakespear

Amended April 7, 2025

This bill would create a manufacturer responsibility program for the safe and proper management of emergency distress flares. Would define "covered product" to include certain pyrotechnic devices that meet the criteria for household hazardous waste. Requires a manufacturer of a covered product, individually or through a manufacturer responsibility organization, to develop and implement a manufacturer responsibility plan for the collection, transportation, and the safe and proper management of covered products. Establishes a process and timeline for DTSC to review and approve, disapprove, or conditionally approve a plan and for the implementation of an approved plan.

SB 615 Allen

Amended April 7, 2025

This bill would require a battery supplier to be responsible for ensuring the responsible end-of-life management of a vehicle traction battery if it is removed from a vehicle that is still in service or if the vehicle traction battery is offered or returned to its battery supplier, and reporting information regarding the sale, transfer, or receipt of a vehicle traction battery or module to DTSC. Would impose related duties on a secondary user and a secondary handler ensuring the responsible end-of-life management for a vehicle traction battery or returning a vehicle traction battery to the battery supplier, and reporting information regarding the sale, transfer, or receipt of a vehicle traction battery or module to DTSC. Requires an auctioneer and salvage disposal auction to report similar information regarding a vehicle traction battery.



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### **Bill Number / Author**

### SB 682

Allen

Amended April 22, 2025

This bill would, on and after January 1, 2027, prohibit a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale a covered product that contains intentionally added PFAS except for previously used products and as otherwise preempted by federal law. The bill would define "covered product" to include cleaning products, cookware, dental floss, juvenile products, food packaging, and ski wax. On and after January 1, 2040, prohibits a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale certain products that contain intentionally added PFAS, including, but not limited to, refrigerants, solvents, propellants, and clean fire suppressants unless DTSC has determined that the use of PFAS in the product is currently unavoidable use. Would also, on and after January 1, 2035, prohibit a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale any other product that contains intentionally added PFAS unless DTSC has determined that the use of PFAS in the product is currently unavoidable use.

For more information on these bills, please visit the Task Force website, lacountyiswmtf.org or contact Perla Gomez with Los Angeles County Public Works, at (626) 300-2616, Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.