

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting

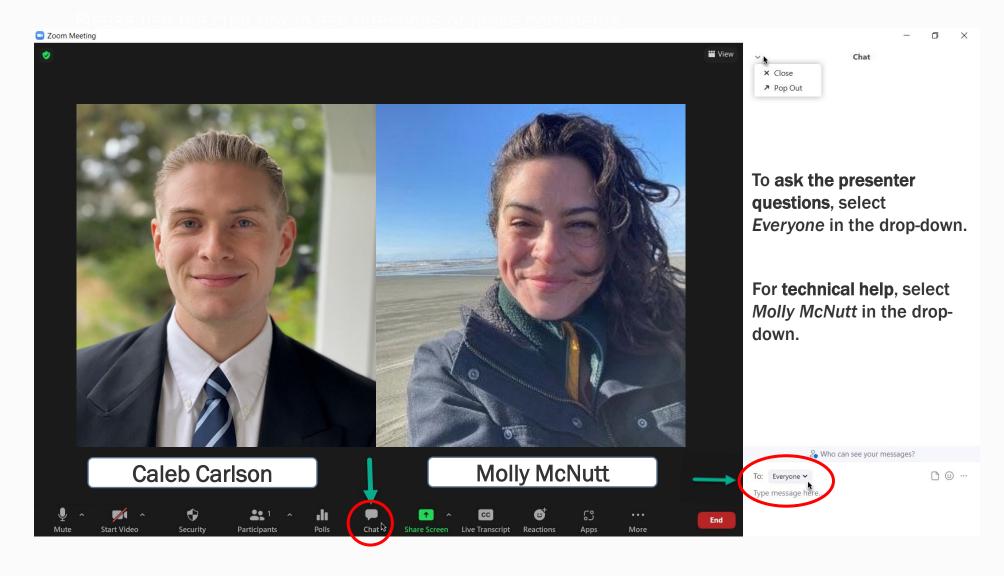
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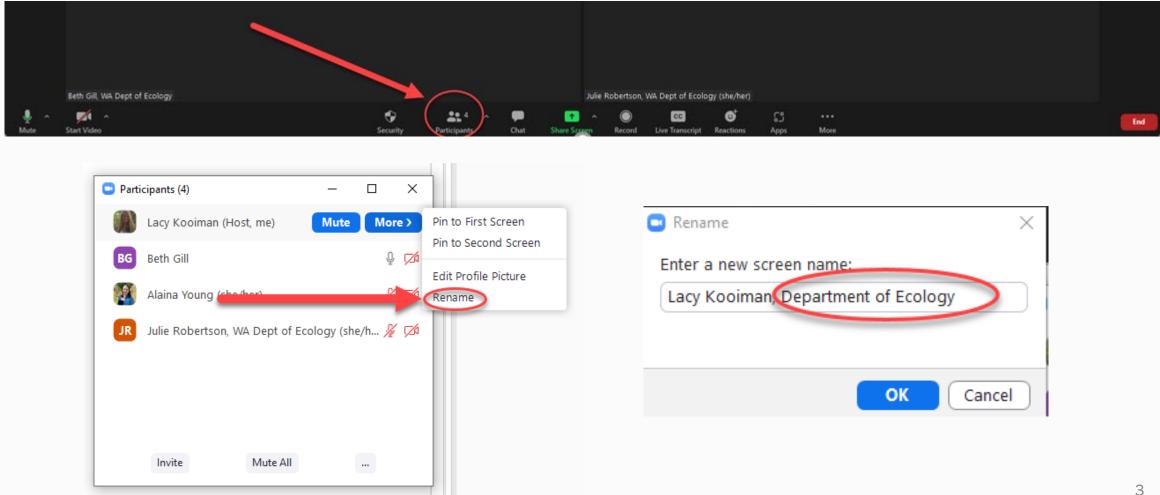


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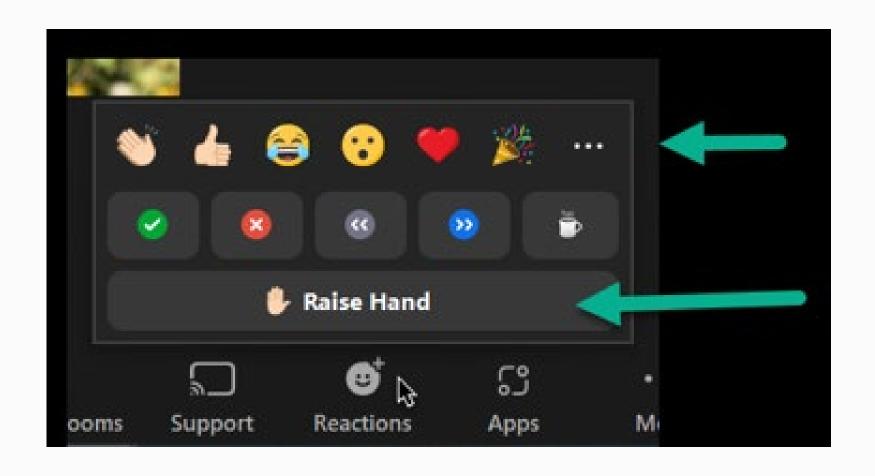
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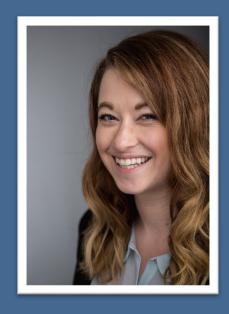




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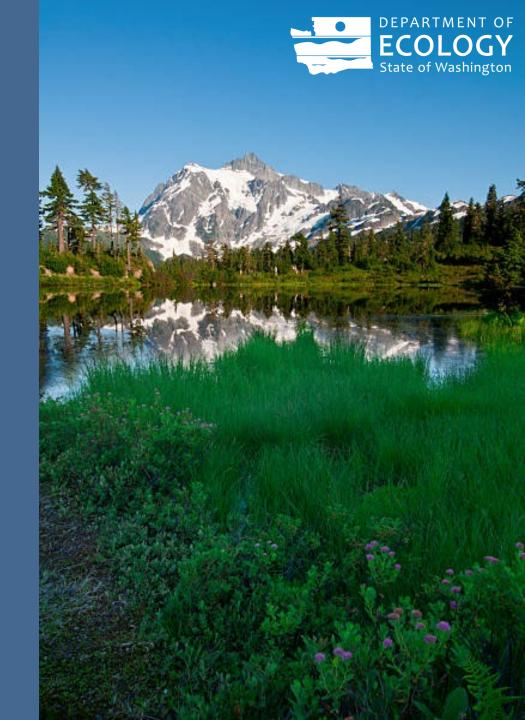
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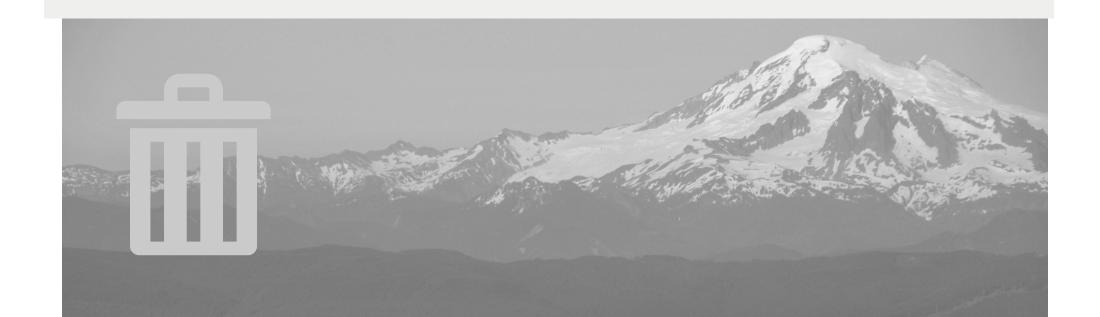
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WACSW 2023-24 Legislative Agenda

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WACSWM Legislative Priorities

Washington Association of County Solid Waste Managers

- 1. Support Extended Producer Responsibility
- Environmental benefits
- Complete cost coverage
- Funding structures
- Local governance
- 2. Modernizing Solid Waste Program Funding
- Current and future funding sources
- Deferred and future maintenance
- Legislation impacts





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Budget Priorities

Septage Capacity Assessment: \$250,000 on-time funding

- Assess the current waste treatment facility capacity across statewide
- Map out current and planned development on OSS
- Make policy recommendations to ensure that we have adequate infrastructure to support population growth.

School Environmental Health Rule:

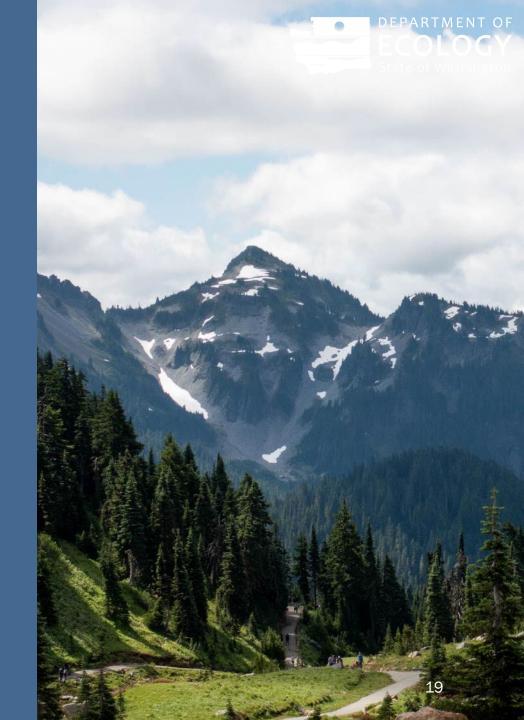
- Fund PH & OSPI school facility health assessment
- Prioritize overburdened communities for mitigation & updates
- Lift the current budget proviso so the current rule can be updated



Association of Washington Cities



Carl Schroeder, Deputy Director of Government Relations
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Zero Waste Washington



Heather Trim, Executive Director November 8, 2023





Zero Waste-Related Bills - 2024

Ecology SWAC

Heather Trim
Zero Waste Washington
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2024 - potential

- WRAP Act (HB1131)
- DRS for Beverage Containers
- Organics (HB1799 Part II)
- Right to Repair
- Plastics TBD
- EV battery recycling
- Wind turbine blades
- Mercury and other light bulbs (HB 1185)
- Hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) refrigerant gases recycling (HB 1164)
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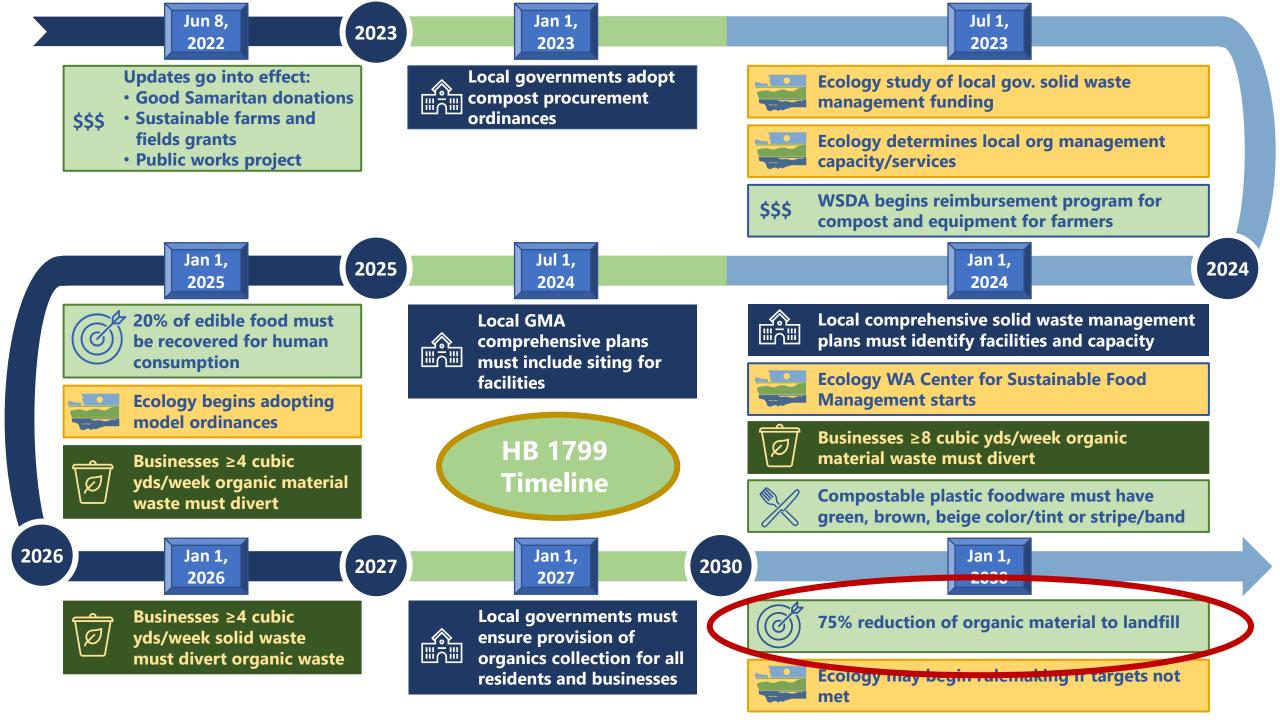




Reducing organic material to landfill (HB 1799)







Food Waste Prevention/Food Rescue

- Grants for donation transportation, cold chain infrastructure, community food hubs, pick and pack
- Require more data/reporting
- Address date labels on food
- Standardize operating procedures for donations (for example: standardize food collection bin colors (yellow); staff training; and other procedures
- Increase funding/capacity for Local Health Jurisdictions to:
 - Provide inspections and technical assistance to hunger relief organizations and food businesses, schools, and institutions
 - Support consistent application of food safety regulations regarding hunger relief organizations and food donation

Sources and targets (different materials)

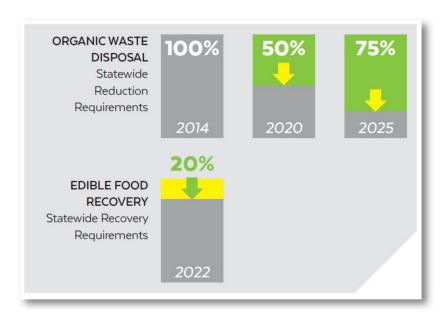
California SB 1383, September 2016

Short-Lived Climate Pollutants Reduction Act establishing methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in various sectors of CA's economy.

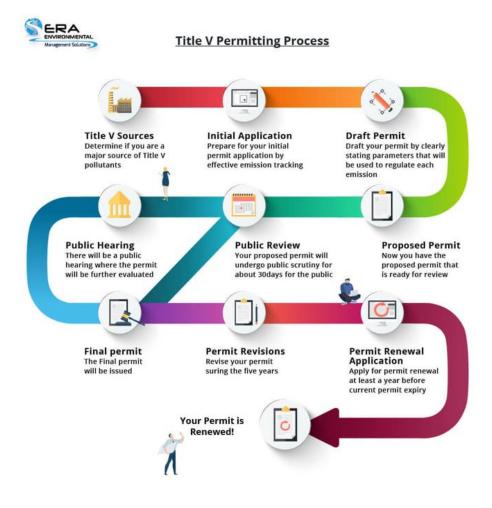
Reduce below 2013 levels by 2030:

- methane by 40%
- hydrofluorocarbon gases by 40%
- anthropogenic black carbon by 50%

Bill also addressed livestock and dairy, biomethane, and biogas



Enforcement, Facility siting, Zoning, Permitting & Infrastructure, including other technologies (e.g. AD)



Contamination/ Education/Schools

- Standardize messaging and statewide campaign and bin color
- Ban pesticides
- Require compostable (or no) produce stickers
- Address compostable foodware
- Schools:
 - Require 20-minute seated lunch minimum
 - Require recess before lunch
 - Increase grant program dollars



End Markets/Purchasing/Procurement





Funding/Financing/Rates

- Local government support
- Infrastructure support





Northwest Product Stewardship Council



Adrian Tan, King County Solid Waste Division
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NWPSC Legislative Preview for EPR

State SWAC Meeting | November 8, 2023





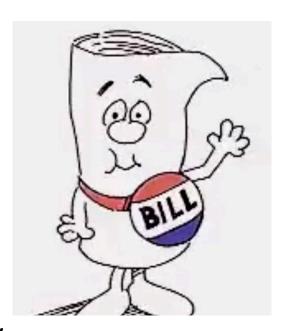




Legislative preview

EPR related bills expected in 2024

- 1. Washington Recycling and Packaging (WRAP) Act (Rep. Berry)
 EPR for Packaging and Paper Products (based on 2023 bill (HB
 1131) without a Deposit-Return System for beverage containers)
- 2. A Bottle Bill (Rep. Stonier) Deposit-Return System for beverage containers
- 3. Mercury-containing lights (HB 1185)
- 4. EV Battery EPR pending on current study
- 5. Wind Turbine Blades EPR (Rep. Wilson) pending on current study





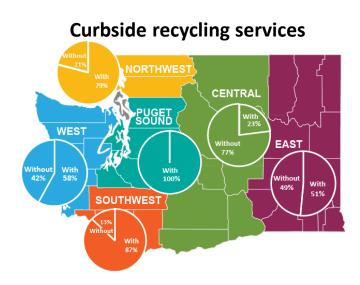
Improving outcomes

The intent with EPR

Increased reuse and recycling

Reuse & Recycling Rates in WA 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 20% 10% 0% 2000 2010 2020 2025 2030

Universal and convenient recycling services for all



Responsible recycling

(materials must be sent to verified end markets that meet certain environmental, labor, health and safety standards)





EPR for Packaging and Paper Products

WRAP Act

- Washington Recycling and Packaging (WRAP) Act
- Rep. Berry
- Companies that make consumer products are required to fund the recycling system and ensure that their packaging and paper products actually get recycled
- Residents, local governments and waste management companies still play important roles
- Consistent education across the state
- Infrastructure improvements





DRS for Beverage Containers

Deposit Return System for Beverage Containers

- "Bottle Bill"
- Rep. Stonier
- Consumers pay 10 cents deposit on beverage containers and redeem the 10 cents at drop locations
- Beverage distributors run the beverage container recycling and reuse system, funded by unredeemed refunds and distributors



Photo: OBRC



Mercury-containing Lights

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- The Washington Mercury-Containing Lights Stewardship Law (RCW 70.275) requires producers to fund a statewide stewardship program for collection and recycling of fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent lights (CFLs) and high intensity discharge lights (HIDs) from households and small quantity generators.
- Passed in 2010, LightRecycle launched 2015, due to sunset in 2025.
- LED lights are now more energy-efficient and less toxic.



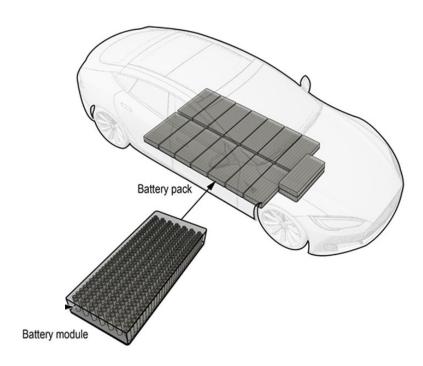




Possible other EPR-related bills

Electric Vehicle Batteries

Electric Vehicle Battery Management
 Study (part of SB 5144)



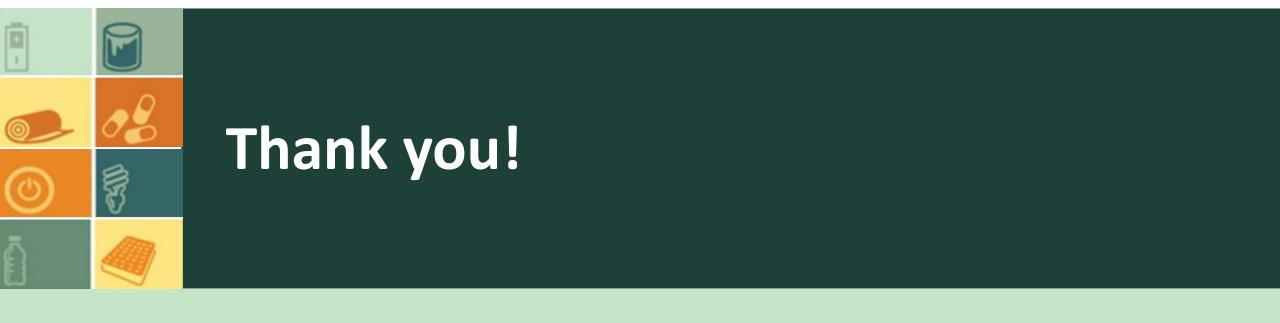
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Wind Turbine Blades

 SB 5287 Study on the recycling of wind turbine blades



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Washington State Circular Economy

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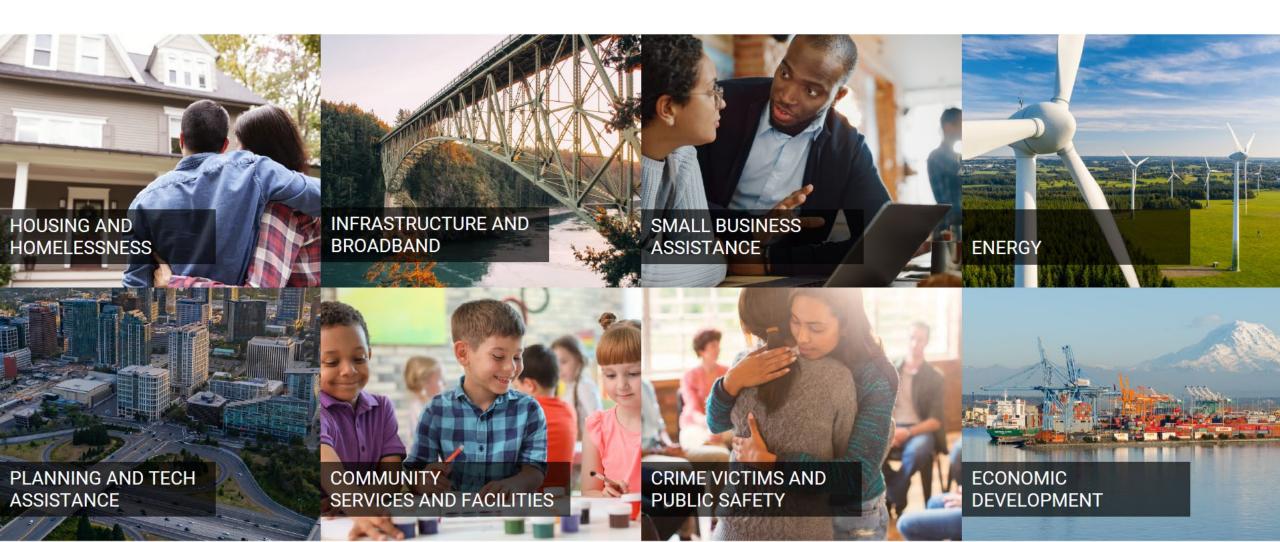
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Economic Development (OEDC)

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Circular Economy

An emerging high-value sector

A circular economy reduces material use, redesigns materials to be less resource intensive, and recaptures "waste" as a resource to manufacture new materials and products.*

*US EPA – National Recycling Strategy: What is a Circular Economy?

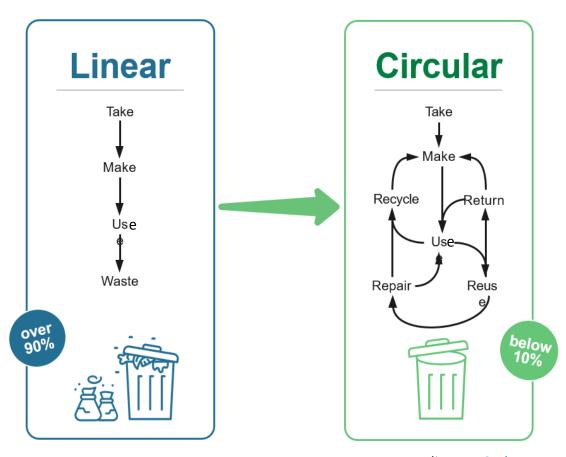


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Industrial Symbiosis Program

Turning waste into value

Anaerobic digesters – for renewable natural gas (RNG)

Biochar – sequestering carbon while transforming ag and forest waste to renewable energy and soil amendments

Waste heat capture – wastewater treatment, server farms

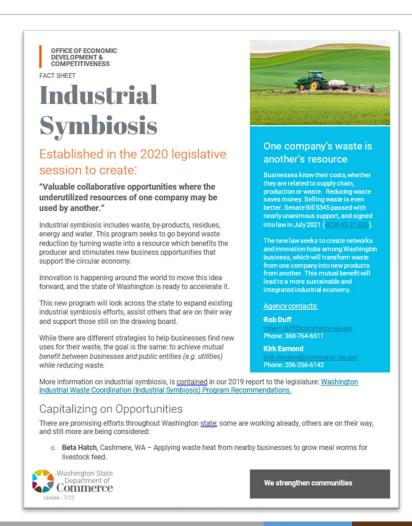
Sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) – from forest and ag biomass, and CO2 capture



Industrial Symbiosis Program - 2022

Completed projects (FY23)

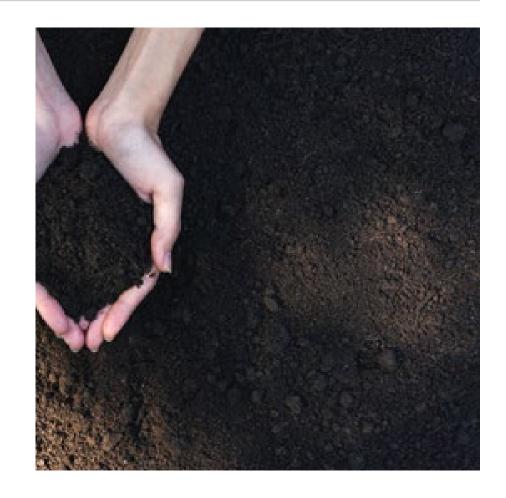
- Inland Empire Paper, Spokane Transforming fly ash for delivery as a soil amendment using conventional farm equipment (\$250,000)
- Qualterra Inc., Cheney Biochar production from ag/forest waste biomass while creating renewable energy (\$245,416)
- Myno Carbon, Kettle Falls Combine waste CO₂ with crushed basalt to create a liming agent beneficial to soil health (\$250,000)
- **Chomp,** formerly Impact Bioenergy, Vashon Island Waste heat capture, dry fertilizer and RNG development (\$104,584)



Industrial Symbiosis Program - 2023

New projects underway (FY24)

- Cascadia Produce, Auburn Food waste diversion. Establishing a retail rejection hub, distribution center and online marketplace (\$250,000)
- Qualterra Inc., Cheney Biochar to renewable energy. Furthering biomass conversion and generating renewable energy (\$206,857)
- Waste Loop, Leavenworth Landfill diversion. Circular economy of materials and establishment of Reuse Innovation Center (\$157,326)
- Washington State University, Pullman Biochar in concrete.
 Diverting waste biomass to develop a durable, carbon-negative alternative for the construction industry (\$235,817)



Industrial Symbiosis Program



Learning from Danish innovation

Systemic Approach to Clean Industry project (SACI)

- Follows six years of WA-DK knowledge exchanges
- SACI promotes symbiosis through partnerships in US and Brazil
 - Training facilitators, matchmaking for new project, support local policies
 - Washington state Symbiosis Training in Kalundborg, May 2023
- WA State Ag Symbiosis Study Tour, September 2023

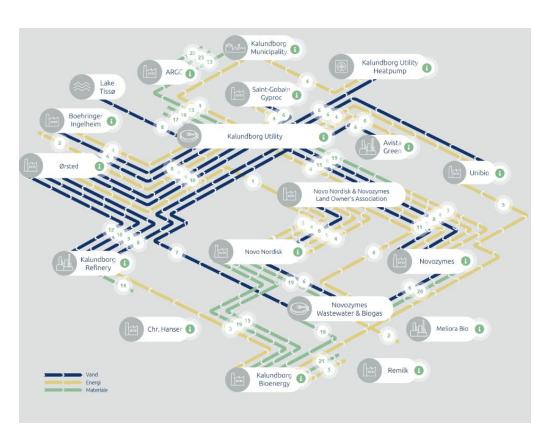


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Making connections

Recent presentations and training, helping drive best practices

Agricultural Symbiosis Study Tour – Denmark

United States Embassy in Denmark – Copenhagen

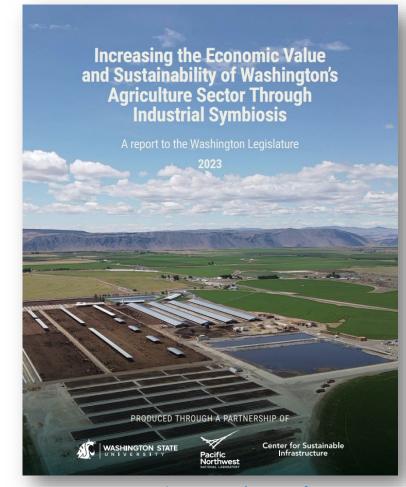
Systemic Approach to Clean Industry (SACI) – Portland/Tri-Cities

Northwest Bioenergy Summit – Kennewick

Center for Advanced Manufacturing Conference – Bellevue

Biochar Innovation Summit – Spokane

Eco-Industrial Parks, innovation workshops – Longview and Pasco



Ag Symbiosis Report | sustaininfrastructure.org

Circular Economy Acceleration



Department of Commerce
2023-25 First Supplemental Budget Session
Policy Level - CK - Circular Economy Acceleration

Agency Recommendation Summary

This funding will accelerate existing decarbonization goals by advancing the reuse of residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural waste. Increased funding for the Industrial Symbiosis Program will level-up current program demand, capitalize on circularity-driven investments, and develop a framework for the innovation of eco-industrial parks in both urban and rural communities across the state. Current funds support 3-4 projects per year—the funding increase will multiply the quantity and impact of symbiosis projects, New funding will drive a circular economy market development program to help achieve statewide waste and emissions-reduction targets while investing in equitable social outcomes.

Key takeaways:

- Grant funding scaled to better meet industry demand and opportunities
- Eco-industrial Parks framework for circularity-focused industrial areas
- Market Development Program e.g. NextCycle WA

DP-PL-CK-Circular Economy Acceleration.pdf

Wrap up – Emerging Opportunities

What's next?

- ✓ Utilization of Climate Commitment Act funds to pursue and grow green tech jobs
- ✓ Industrial site readiness including grid transmission needs
- ✓ Federal funding and semiconductor industry expansion
- ✓ Hydrogen Hubs
- ✓ International knowledge exchange
- ✓ Increasing diversity of sustainable energy across sectors



Notifications and Resources

- Washington's Electronic Business Solution (WEBS)
- Washington State Department of Commerce govdelivery.com
- Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) 2021
- Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) 2022
- Climate Commitment Act
- NextCycle WA Circular Funding Resource Guide
- Industrial Symbiosis Program
- Clean Energy Fund
- Industrial Site Readiness Grant
- Innovation Cluster Accelerator Program (ICAP)
- Evergreen Manufacturing Growth Grant
- Grow My Business Startup Washington (mystartup365.com)
- Washington Department of Revenue tax incentive programs
- Recycling Development Center
- Organics Management in Washington State
- Agricultural Symbiosis Report to the Legislature
- The North-West Symbiosis: Creating resource-efficient industries (white paper)





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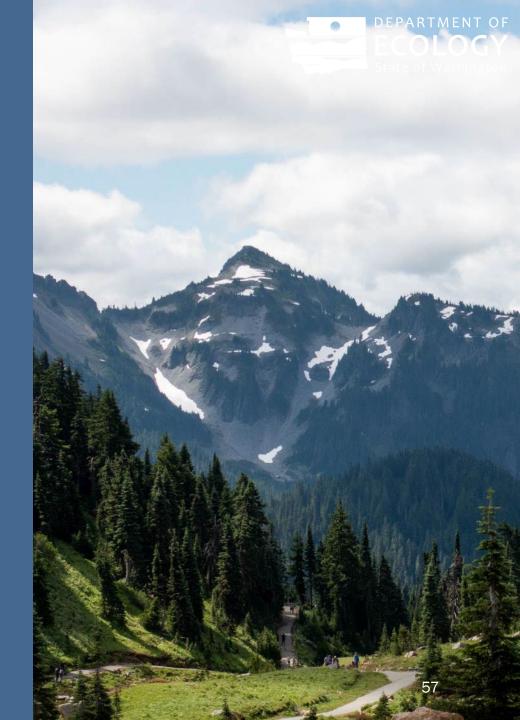




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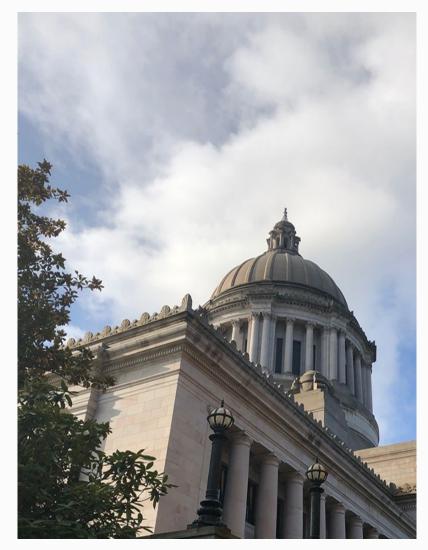
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Ecology - Solid Waste Management

- Partner Engagement
 - EPR for Paper and Packaging
 - Organics
 - Biosolids
 - Litter
 - Lighting
 - Appliances
- Implementation & Reports





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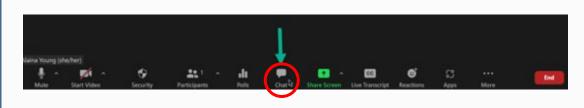
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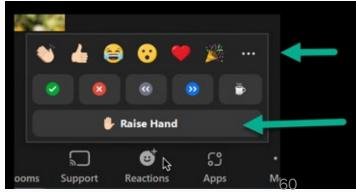


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