

California Code of Regulations

Title 14. Natural Resources
Division 7. California Integrated Waste Management Board

DRAFT LANGUAGE FOR DISCUSSION – Revise the definition of Agricultural Material by specifying that Agricultural Material has not been processed in a way that alters its essential character as a waste resulting directly from an agricultural activity.

The current definition of Agricultural Material is not clear relative to the term “processing”. Staff proposes to clarify that Agricultural Material is separated at the point of generation and has not been processed in a way that alters its essential character as a waste resulting directly from the conduct of an agricultural activity.

Proposed language:

CHAPTER 3.1. COMPOSTABLE MATERIALS HANDLING OPERATIONS AND FACILITIES REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS
ARTICLE 1. GENERAL

§ 17852. Definitions.

(a) For the purposes of this Chapter:

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(5) “Agricultural Material” means waste material of plant or animal origin, which results directly from the conduct of agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, silviculture, vermiculture, viticulture and similar activities undertaken for the production of food or fiber for human or animal consumption or use, production and processing of farm, ranch, agricultural, horticultural, aquacultural, silvicultural, floricultural, vermicultural, or viticultural products and which is separated at the point of generation, including, but not limited to, manures, orchard and vineyard prunings, and crop residues. Agricultural material has not been processed in a way that alters its essential character as a waste resulting directly from growing plants or raising livestock or other animals for food, fiber and other purposes. Agricultural material does not contain any other solid waste. Agricultural material does not include food material or vegetative food material, as defined in this section 17852.

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Note: Authority cited: Sections 40502, 43020 and 43021, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 43020 and 43021, Public Resources Code.