

Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling (MORe) and Mandatory Commercial Recycling (MCR)

Electronic Annual Report Questions Commencing August 1, 2018 (Revised June 2018)

SECTION: Education and Outreach

Note: Regional Agencies should address education and outreach for individual members.

1. Describe education and outreach methods for the reporting year for electronic, print and direct contact, including those done by the jurisdiction and by the hauler(s).
2. If applicable, please describe any challenges encountered in implementing education and outreach for the jurisdiction's commercial recycling program. If not applicable, enter N/A.

SECTION: Monitoring

Note:

- *Regional Agencies should use the text boxes to list the totals in each field for individual members.*
- *Reporting Jurisdictions that cannot separate businesses and multifamily data should provide an explanation in the applicable text box.*
- *Reporting Jurisdictions that have an unknown number for any of the numeric fields must input a '0' into the data field and provide an explanation in the corresponding box below.*

1. Total number of covered businesses
Explanation
2. Total number of covered businesses not recycling
Explanation
3. Total number of covered multifamily complexes
Explanation
4. Total number of covered multifamily complexes not recycling
Explanation
5. What was done to inform those not recycling about the law and how to recycle? If the jurisdiction has an enforcement program for the Mandatory Commercial Recycling program then please provide information about what enforcement was conducted.
6. If applicable, please describe any challenges encountered in implementing monitoring related to the jurisdiction's commercial recycling program. If not applicable, enter N/A.
7. Provide the amount of recyclable material that is being diverted by covered businesses/multifamily complexes: ____ Tons
If this tonnage information is not available, please enter 0 and explain why:
Explanation

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I. Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling (MORE):

To capture data regarding Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling the following data/text fields will be added to the EAR.

RURAL JURISDICTIONS ONLY

Rural Jurisdictions are not required to report on any of the following information in the EAR except for AB 876 Infrastructure. All of the following questions are optional for rural jurisdictions except for Infrastructure and Barriers Tab Questions #1, #1a, and #2.

SECTION: Identification of Covered Businesses/Multifamily Complexes

- a. Please describe the methodology used to identify covered businesses and multifamily complexes _____
- b. If any of this data is not available, please explain why it is not available and how you are addressing gathering the data and when it will be available _____

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1. Total number of covered businesses
Explanation
2. Total number of covered businesses not recycling organics
Explanation
3. Total number of covered multifamily complexes not recycling green waste, landscape and pruning waste, and nonhazardous wood waste:

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Explanation

4. Total number of covered multifamily complexes not recycling
Explanation
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SECTION: Infrastructure and Barriers

These questions are pursuant to [AB 876 \(McCarty, Chapter 593, Statutes of 2015\)](#), and [AB 1826 Chesbro \(Chapter 727, Statutes of 2014\)](#).

Per AB 876, Questions #1, #1a, and #2, are to be reported for the *entire* County or Regional Agency (RA), including all cities within their boundaries.

- If a regional agency does not consist of all of the jurisdictions in a county, CalRecycle recommends that the county coordinate with the RA(s) and discuss how they want to compile their data. For example, it would be best if the data were for the county as a whole and not broken out by RA. In the EAR, regional agencies and the county should report the same data and explain that the data is for the county as a whole.

Per AB 1826, #3-13 are to be answered by all non-rural/exempted reporting jurisdictions for progress achieved in implementing their commercial organics waste recycling program.

Beginning with the 2017 report year, the [AB 876 \(Organics Management Infrastructure Planning Calculator\)](#) now has additional lines to show users how much of the county's/regional agency's organic waste stream is comprised of food waste. Of all the fractions of the organics waste stream, food is the most difficult to process. Chip and Grind facilities are limited to processing green material that expressly excludes food waste [\[\(14 CCR Sections \(a\)\(10\) and \(a\)\(21.\)\]](#). Therefore, if a jurisdiction's organics capacity planning primarily relies on Chip & Grind, there is a shortfall of food waste capacity. Only a limited number of all composting facilities are permitted to take food waste; contact your hauler or facility operator to find out whether they are permitted to take food waste, or if they have plans to expand their permit to accept food waste in the future. In-vessel digesters are still fairly uncommon, but

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many of these do accept food waste. Additionally, do not overlook food waste reduction and edible food rescue programs in your planning.

1. Please provide an estimate of the amount of organic waste, in cubic yards or tons, that will be disposed by the **entire** county (unincorporated and incorporated areas) or regional agency over a 15-year period ("Over a 15-year period," means how many tons of organic waste will be disposed of in one single year 15 years from now, not the cumulative total of 15 years).

Please indicate which unit of measurement you are reporting in for this question and the rest of this report tab. Tons Per Year (TPY) Cubic Yards Per Year (CYPY)

- a. Please provide an estimate of the additional organic waste recycling facility capacity, in cubic yards, that will be needed to process the amount of organic waste identified in #1 above.
2. Please identify areas for new or expanded organic waste recycling facilities capable of safely meeting the additional organic waste recycling facility capacity need identified in #1a above. If the answer to #1a is less than #1, please be sure to explain why, e.g. note that there is currently unused capacity that can be utilized, and/or note that that since there is tangible planning for new or expanded facilities now, that in 15 years, the needed capacity will be available. These details can be further clarified in #4 - #7 below.
 3. Please provide the names of existing organic waste recycling facilities within a reasonable distance from your major population centers, and the available capacity at each facility to accept your jurisdictions organic materials, including food waste. Note: CalRecycle strongly encourages counties and regional agencies to collaborate with cities and special districts within their boundaries, and communicate with haulers and with organics facility operators servicing those entities, in order to understand available capacity and to minimize double counting at facilities used by multiple jurisdictions. Listed capacities should be specific to the amount of capacity available to your jurisdiction.
 - **Answer Box below:** Consider the following when answering question #3:
 - i. Differentiate between facilities currently being used and potential facilities.
 - ii. Make it clear which facility is being listed by including its [by including its SWIS #](#). If no SWIS number is available, give details about the name, address and type of facility.
 - iii. Available capacity may be calculated by subtracting a facility's current throughput from its maximum capacity to process organic materials; however, maximum capacity should be discussed with the facility operator.
 - iv. Do not include ranges of greater than 10,000 tons.

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4. Please identify existing organic waste recycling facilities within the jurisdiction that may be suitable for potential expansion, and/or existing solid waste facilities within the jurisdiction that may be suitable for colocation with organic waste processing facilities.
5. Please describe any efforts underway to develop new private or public regional organic waste recycling facilities, the anticipated timeline for completion, the types of feedstocks these facilities may accept, and the potential available organic material capacity at those facilities for your county or regional agency's organic waste, including food.
6. Please provide a list of closed or abandoned sites that may be available for new organic waste recycling facilities.
7. Please describe other non-disposal opportunities (on-site composting, food waste to animal feed, etc.) available to covered entities in the jurisdiction.
8. Please describe the jurisdiction's efforts to reduce food waste at the source and increase edible food recovery (e.g. promoting source reduction, expanding food donation, incentivizing partnerships with local food recovery organizations, changes in local government and school programs to reduce and/or donate surplus edible food).
9. Describe local zoning codes that allow organic waste processing facilities and local permit requirements for siting a new organic waste recycling facility within the jurisdiction.
10. Please describe any local incentives available for developing new organic waste recycling facilities within the jurisdiction (e.g. economic incentives, workforce training, permit fee waivers etc.)
11. Describe any local efforts by the jurisdiction or its partners to promote local markets for processed organic material (e.g. jurisdiction purchase of recycled organic products, compost giveaways to residents, promotion of sustainable landscaping, or education and outreach about recycled organic products).
12. Describe any waste and recycling service-rate adjustments implemented or planned in the jurisdiction, how they target the diversion of organic waste, and/or fund organic recycling infrastructure development.
13. Any other barriers? Yes/No

Indicate all known barriers to siting or expanding organic waste recycling facilities in the jurisdiction, such as lack of suitable parcels, zoning issues, economic issues, lack of local markets for finished products, environmental justice issues or the known opposition of community groups, regulatory

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agencies or public officials, or other impediments. If there are identified barriers that are within the jurisdiction's control, please provide a summary of the jurisdiction's plan to remedy the barriers that are under its control.

SECTION: Enforcement, Self-Haul Requirements and Exemptions

The following elements do not need to be implemented as part of the jurisdiction's organic waste recycling program; however, if the jurisdiction implements any of these, then the jurisdiction is required to report on any efforts related to these provisions.

1. Has the jurisdiction implemented any enforcement measures for covered businesses (including multifamily) that are not in compliance? If so, please describe.
2. Has the jurisdiction implemented any certification requirements for self-haulers? If so, please describe.
3. Have any exemptions been granted? Exemptions noted in the law include;
 - a. Lack of sufficient space to provide additional bins,
 - b. Current business practices already result in a significant reduction in its organic waste (can be revoked 2020),
 - c. The business does not generate at least one-half cubic yard of organic waste per week,
 - d. Limited term exemptions,
 - e. Unforeseen events,

If exemptions were granted by the jurisdiction;

- i. Please provide the number of exemptions granted,
- ii. Describe the reasons why the exemptions were granted,
- iii. Explain how these businesses are included in the MORE Monitoring fields, e.g. these businesses are included in the total number of covered entities and are included in the total number of those not recycling organic material

SECTION: Additional Information

Is there anything else you would like to tell CalRecycle about unique or innovative efforts by your jurisdiction to reduce organic waste generation and increase diversion, about your jurisdiction's public education efforts, or about specific obstacles to reaching your jurisdiction's implementation of an organic recycling program?

If you wish to attach additional information to your annual report, please use the "Document Management" button below to upload additional files or you can send them directly to your LAMD representative. Please include a brief description of those files in the text box below.