Recycling Steering Committee
Meeting Notes
March 28, 2019
Time: 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Location: Association of Washington Cities Office, 1076 Franklin St SE, Olympia WA 98501

Life Cycle Assessment

Action items
- Future agenda item: Lisa will present on King County’s taskforce’s goals and action items as they relate to how we evaluate, and what we view as, criteria for responsible recycling.

Committee agreed that the LCA tool, as presented, is one tool that could be used in evaluating the recycling system. There are some limitations to this method:

- Limited scope
- Missing or outdated data
- Not considering regional differences
- Lack of cumulative impact data
- Lack of agreed upon priorities for indicators and boundaries
- Cost
- Provides a snapshot, does not project into future

Future Discussion Topic: In the domestic market, what is considered best practices and due diligence to meet criteria that ensure materials are managed the way we think they are?

C+C marketing campaign

Action items
- Alli will:
  - Give an update at the next call
  - Include the committee as best she can in decision making steps. This project is on a very tight timeline. Members may only have 24–48 hours to give feedback. Alli will do her best to send out information as soon as she knows a timeline/timeframe of when feedback will be needed by.

Some members on the committee expressed a desire for more inclusion of RSC members during the campaign development.

Members expressed concern over campaign messaging launching in their area of authority without having a say in the message, and having the built in ability to opt out if there is conflict in timing or messaging.
Comingled List/Matrix

**Action items**

- Send comments and input to Nina
- Review progress of this document during next meeting

Committee supports continuing the development of this document. A document/report could be beneficial and could act as a guidance document if the Recycling Development Center, as proposed in HB1543/SB5545, forms.

Questions and problems identified:

- Feasibility of educating the public – how to best do this
- Filling gaps in data on list/matrix
- Local knowledge
- How do we want to use this information?
- Data feedback?
- Terminology “intervention” and “implied access” need clarification or to be changed
- Thinking Upstream – what do we allow in the system?

Responsible Recycling

Committee came to a consensus on the definition of responsible recycling and the contamination policy.

**Wrap up/Next Steps**

**Action items**

- Report deliverable – Consensus on Lisa’s suggestion of how to do this:
  Provide guest speakers/presentations to help with identifying issues and bridging gaps in information, then set goals and work towards action items and creating a document/report.
- In future agendas, we will identify what section of the charter each agenda item connects to.
- Next meeting will focus on current markets, next one after that focused on technology
- Include a material sort in one of the meetings.

Committee consensus on value of continuing to meet.

- Meet every 4 weeks if we can, keep it a consistent day of the month if possible (ex. 1st Thursday of the month).
- Members enjoyed the format/style of today’s meeting (small groups, breakout and report back sessions, hands on, visuals) and would like to continue.
- Meeting spaces volunteered
  - Kevin – Recology (material sort?)
  - Jay – NORPAC (material sort, tour)
  - Travis – Clark county
  - Alli – Ecology Eastern Region Office