

Recycling Steering Committee

Meeting Notes

June 19, 2019

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Location: NORPAC 3401 Industrial way Longview, WA 98632

Jay Simmons' NORPAC Presentation on Paper Markets

With new projects in sight, NORPAC has a vision to take all of the recycled paper content from WA, OR, Northern CA, and ID to expand its brown paper supply by July 2020. Void Fill is another growing market that could provide additional demand for recycled mixed paper and OCC.

NORPAC needs a pulper for these expansions in brown paper, which will cost their facility approximately \$50 Million.

Contamination from glass is a huge problem for paper mills. Stickies and chemicals also cause issues.

Action items

- Heather C. will send out presentation and contact information to RSC.
- Heather C. will look into finding a presenter from City of Phoenix to present on how they set up a chemical recycling plant in their area for a future meeting.

More Recycling Presentation on Plastics Markets

Action items

- Heather C. will send out presentation and contact information to RSC.
- Tonya Randell asked for members to contact her with any questions or desire for clarification regarding her presentation or plastics markets. Contact information included in presentation.

Postponement of Defining Actions

Action items

- RSC members agreed to postpone the drafting of short-, mid-, and long-term actions and check-in on process, timeline, and goals until the next meeting when more RSC members are present.
- Members expressed wanting clear framework for what the RSC is and where it is going (current and future roles, goals and objectives, actions, etc.).

Discussion of Moving Forward

Topics to address at next meeting or future meetings

- Is a recommendations report still relevant to where the RSC and recycling is now?
- A list, focusing on contaminations first
- What role will the RSC have in policy and decision making?

- What has happened in recycling since RSC formed? Where are we now, what are the gaps and issues? What can this group do to influence that?
- Where are we going? What is the framework and the timeline for the RSC
- If we were to create a recommendations report, who is the intended audience?
- What have the state goals been and compare them with other states goals and internationally. Evolution of goals? We need dynamic goals
- What's going on in California? Andy Hackman- presentation?

Wrap up/Next Steps

- Next meeting will be more heavily focused on discussion and outlining framework for defining the role and actions of the RSC.
- Next meeting is July 25th at the Washington Association of Cities Office in Olympia, WA.