

State of Washington
Contamination
Reduction

and

Outreach Plan

CROP Forum – August 12, 2020

What the law says

- Ecology must create a statewide Contamination Reduction and Outreach Plan (CROP) by July 1, 2020.

The State CROP was released on August 7, 2020 for public comment until August 31, 2020. Publication is expected in September, 2020.

- Counties with a population of over 25,000 – and cities in those counties with independent SW Plans - must include a CROP in their local Solid Waste Management Plan by July 1, 2021.

Given the delay in releasing the State CROP, adjustments can be made to this deadline if needed.

What the law says

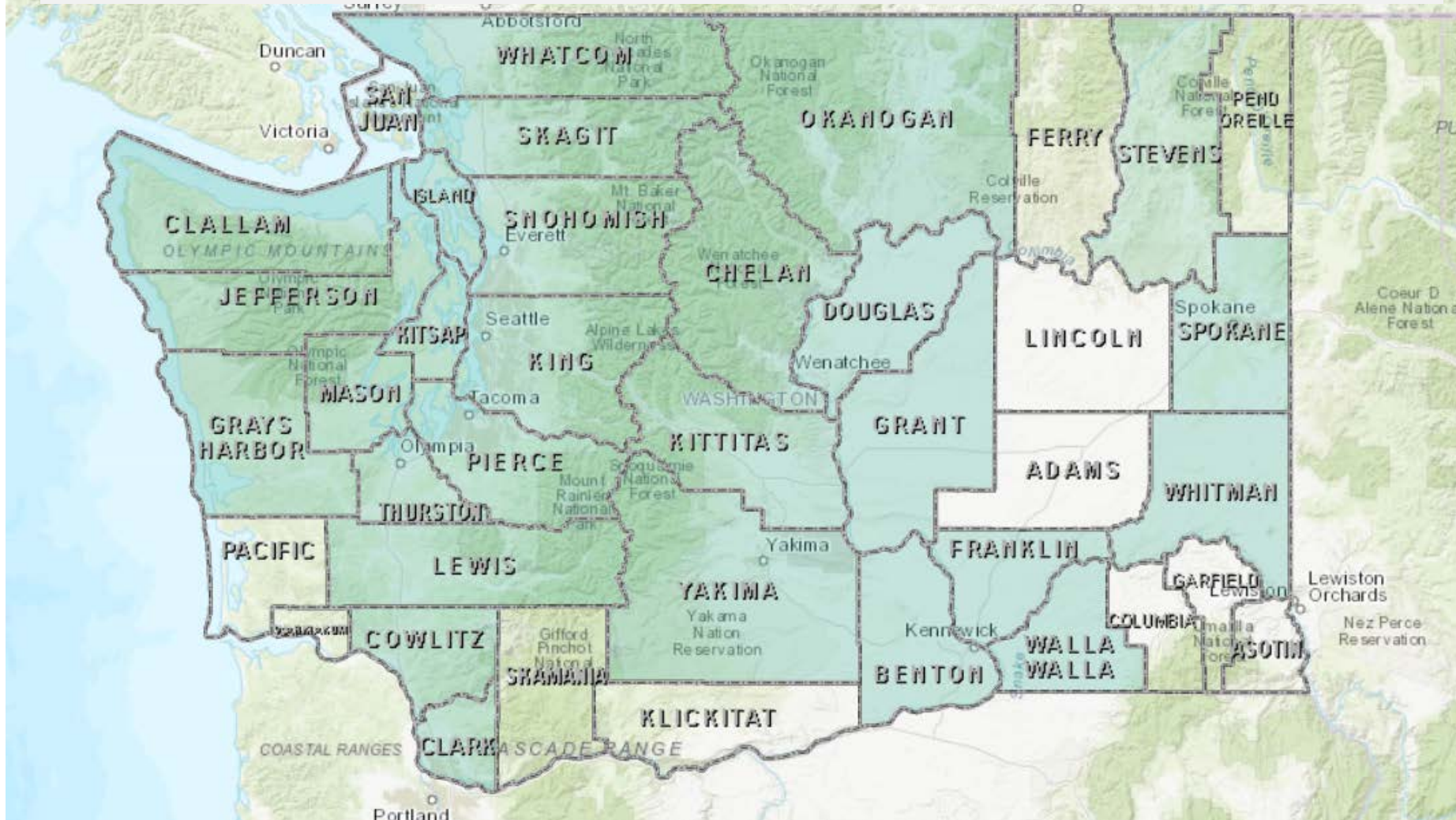
- Counties can adopt the state's CROP in lieu of creating their own plan.

*The State CROP includes a **Local CROP template** that jurisdictions can cut-and-paste into their Solid Waste Management Plans to meet the requirements of the law.*

- Ecology must provide technical assistance and guidance to help local jurisdictions determine the extent of contamination in their regional recycling and to develop CROPs.

*The State CROP includes a variety of **tools and resources** for local governments to use to develop and implement their own CROPs. It also includes recommendations to work to secure additional funding and resources in the future.*

**27 counties and 4 cities with independent SW Plans
are required to prepare their own CROPS***



**includes counties with 25,000 or more people and cities with independent SW Plans within those counties*



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Washington State Recycling Contamination Reduction and Outreach Plan (CROP)



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Introduction, Cleaning up the Stream, and the Statewide Action Plan

- What information in this section is useful to you?
- What additional information and data would be helpful to you?
- What important issues and questions, if any, would you like to see addressed more fully?
- What changes, if any, to the Statewide Action Plan would you recommend?

Guide to Local CROPs

- How useful do you think the Local CROP template will be in helping local efforts to reduce recycling contamination?
- What changes, if any, to the template would you recommend?
- Is the process for including a CROP in a local SWMP clear? What questions, if any, about the process would you like to see addressed?
- What changes, if any, to the process would you recommend?

Contamination Reduction BMPs & Resources

- What information in these sections is useful to you?
- What additional information would be helpful to you?
- What changes, if any, to these sections would you recommend?
- Do you have additional information to share that you would like to see included in the BMPs and other resources?

Next Steps

- Public comment closes Monday, August 31 @ 5 pm.
- State CROP published – September, 2020 - *expected by the week of September 13. Timing will depend on the comments Ecology receives.*
- Ongoing enhancement to BMPs and CROP Resource Library.
- Ongoing assistance to local governments by Ecology Planners and Recycling Coordinators to develop and implement local CROPs.

Tell us what you think!

**eComments is the way
to have your say...**

and have it officially recorded

<http://swm.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=SueWk>

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Thank you!