1) New JACE Branch and Compliance Assistance

- a) With the enactment of SB 1383 and the implementing regulations, CalRecycle continues to move forward with assisting local government and other local entities to meet the State's goal of diverting 75% of organic waste from landfill disposal to reduce impacts to our climate.
- b) CalRecycle chose to utilize its relations with local governments and other local entities to help expand and put into place new programs to divert and support the recycling of organic waste. To help local government and other local entities to be successful in this effort, CalRecycle will continue to provide local assistance and market development, guidance, as well as technical and financial support. CalRecycle has also tapped into its cadre of experienced staff to support local governments and other local entities compliance efforts by establishing the Jurisdiction and Agency Compliance and Enforcement Branch (JACE) within the Waste Permitting, Compliance, and Mitigation Division. JACE will work hand in hand with Local Assistance and Market Development (LAMD) staff in supporting local government and other local entities efforts especially as local jurisdictions go beyond their good faith efforts to where they are able to meet the specific compliance requirements of the SB 1383 regulations.
- c) JACE was formed by combining part of LAMD with the Jurisdiction Compliance Unit. This change, however, does not mean your jurisdiction will be losing a LAMD representative. If your current LAMD representative is moving to JACE, a new LAMD representative will be assigned to you, and supportive introductions will be made as soon as possible.
- d) The two branches—JACE and LAMD—will collaborate closely to assist jurisdictions in their efforts to comply with requirements to implement programs to use less, recycle more, and ultimately to help meet goals to reduce impacts to our shared environment.
- e) The roles and responsibilities of JACE include, but are not limited to:
 - i) Collaborating closely with LAMD to ensure entity and overall state compliance with the state's recycling laws
 - ii) Evaluating jurisdiction compliance with state recycling laws (e.g., AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, and SB 1383)
 - iii) Evaluating state agency, non-local entity, and local education agency compliance with state laws (e.g., AB 75, AB 2812, SB 1383, and the State Agency Buy-Recycled Campaign)
 - iv) Investigating complaints of alleged violations
 - v) Implementing enforcement actions (e.g., Compliance Orders, Notice of Violations, Corrective Action Plans, Penalties)

f) The roles and responsibilities of LAMD include, but are not limited to:

- i) Collaborating closely with JACE to identify regulated entities that need assistance
- ii) Providing resources and guidance to local jurisdictions to assist them with complying with state laws
- iii) Assisting state agencies, non-local entities, and local education agencies to expand programs

- iv) Developing new tools, peer matching, and serving as a liaison to provide the full suite of CalRecycle's resources
- v) Find your LAMD representative here: https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Contacts/
- g) Compliance communications from JACE will come to you through listserv messages, directly from JACE staff, and/or the new JACE email address: <u>JACE@calrecycle.ca.gov</u>

2) <u>New Deputy Director of the Materials Management and Local Assistance</u> Division.

a) On August 1, 2022, Zoe Heller was appointed as Deputy Director of the Materials Management and Local Assistance Division (MMLA). Zoe has been a dedicated member of the CalRecycle Executive Team for more than five years overseeing the department's Policy Development and Analysis Office.

3) Electronic Annual Reports (EAR):

- a) The EAR has been restructured for SB 1383.
- b) Email announcements went out on 6/15/22 to EAR contacts from each jurisdiction. If you did not receive the email announcement and should have, please let us know.
- c) The emails included instructions to access the EAR (it is now open to get started), a summary of new updates to the report, disposal related information, and key dates.
- d) Calendar year 2021 disposal data is available in the <u>Recycling and Disposal</u> <u>Reporting System</u> (RDRS).
- e) Webinars covering the restructured EAR can be found on CalRecycle's <u>Model</u> <u>Reporting Tools</u> webpage.
- f) We encourage all jurisdictions to open the EAR and get started early so you can work with your LAMD representative if you have any questions.
- g) This year the 2021/2022 EAR is due on October 3, 2022.

EAR Webinars:

- h) CalRecycle will be hosting a webinar to have an open question and answer session on the restructured Electronic Annual Report (EAR), functionality of the system, and how to fill the report out.
 - i) The webinar will be open for any jurisdiction to attend. CalRecycle staff will not be presenting, but will use this time to respond to questions and walkthrough sections of the EAR as requested. The webinar will be held on Thursday, September 1st, 2022, from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
 - ii) The June 2022 EAR webinar recordings and transcripts can be found here: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/reporting

4) SB 619 Corrective Action Plans

Jurisdictions with an approved notification of intent to comply through the SB 619 process will start hearing from CalRecycle to develop their Corrective Action Plans

(CAP). The CAP will include specific tasks and timelines to correct identified violations and report progress through established check-ins with the department.

5) Capacity Planning Reports were due to CalRecycle 8/1/22:

- a) For both capacity planning efforts, edible food recovery and organics recycling, counties are responsible for:
 - i) Collecting capacity planning information from each jurisdiction within the county
 - ii) Submitting the capacity planning report to CalRecycle
 - iii) Identifying any jurisdiction, including itself, that does not have enough verified existing, planned, or new capacity
 - iv) Informing jurisdictions that lack capacity about the timeline for submitting the implementation schedule to CalRecycle
- b) Jurisdictions are responsible for submitting an implementation schedule to CalRecycle when capacity is lacking.
 - i) If you are a jurisdiction that received notice from your County that an implementation schedule was needed and you have any questions about why you received this notice, please contact your county for more information.
 - ii) Implementation Schedules are due to CalRecycle 120 days from the date the County submitted the Capacity Planning report to CalRecycle. CalRecycle sent out notices to jurisdictions with the due dates.
- c) CalRecycle published a Model Implementation Schedule Tool on its website.
- d) For any questions regarding the implementation schedule or the capacity planning, please contact your Local Assistance representative or email SLCP.Organics@Calrecycle.ca.gov. You can find out who your representative is here: https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Contacts/

6) CalRecycle published the following new and updated SB 1383 resources:

- a) The Capacity Planning webinar from June, both the video and transcripts, have been published https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/capacityplanning/
- b) CalRecycle published an <u>Adjusted Procurement Target Tool</u> on its website.
- c) CalRecycle published the Procurement webinar from May 3, 2022, on its website: https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/procurement/

d) Procurement Webpage and Q&As Published

- i) CalRecycle has published an informational webpage dedicated to the SB 1383 requirements for the procurement of recovered organic waste products. This webpage provides guidance on jurisdiction procurement targets and opportunities to procure recovered organic waste products, and can be found here:
 - https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/procurement/recoveredorganicwasteproducts
- ii) CalRecycle has published a new set of Q&As on the SB 1383 requirements for the procurement of recovered organic waste products and recycled-content paper. These Q&As provide expanded clarification on a variety of

procurement topics, including product eligibility, the reduced procurement target mechanism, and direct service provider procurement, and can be found here: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/faq/recycledproducts

e) Recycled-Content and Recyclable Paper Certification form sample

- i) CalRecycle has updated the SB 1383 webpage for procurement of recycled-content paper to include an optional Recycled-Content and Recyclable Paper Certification form. This form may be used by paper product vendors to certify the minimum recycled-content and recyclability of paper provided to the jurisdiction and may help jurisdictions meet their recordkeeping requirements.
- ii) The Recycled-Content and Recyclable Paper Certification form can be found here: https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/procurement/RecycledPaper

7) I Recycle Smart Statewide Recycling Campaign

- a) CalRecycle has launched a statewide recycling campaign called I Recycle Smart. The campaign aims to decrease contamination and increase recycling of materials in residential curbside bins, resulting in clean streams of recyclables that are more likely to be remanufactured into new products.
- b) The campaign includes a diverse mix of channels to deliver recycling education messages, Including the following:
 - i) Website ads
 - ii) Social media sponsored ads
 - iii) Videos for tv, social media, and video streaming platforms
 - iv) Radio ads
 - v) Bus tail ads
 - vi) Grocery shopping cart ads
 - vii) All of these are part of a Toolkit of Campaign materials for CA jurisdictions
- c) CalRecycle is sharing periodic updates about the campaign from the statewide recycling campaign email address: irecyclesmart@calrecycle.ca.gov.
- d) Visit the campaign website: https://irecyclesmart.com/
- e) <u>Download</u> more information about the campaign.

8) CalRecycle Grants

a) Rubberized Pavement Grant Program

- i) Rubberized Pavement Grants provide opportunities to divert waste tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content tire products. The Rubberized Pavement Grant Program is designed to promote markets for recycled-content surfacing products derived from only California-generated waste tires. It is aimed at encouraging first-time or limited users of rubberized pavement in two project types Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Hot-Mix (Hot-Mix) and Rubberized Chip Seal (Chip Seal).
- ii) Application Due Date: October 12, 2022
- iii) Notice of Funds Available includes criteria, eligibility, projects, cycle timeline and all details.

b) Tire Derived Aggregate (TDA) Grant Program

- i) This grant program provides assistance for solving a variety of engineering challenges. TDA, which is produced from shredded tires, is lightweight, freedraining, and a less expensive alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates.
- ii) Application Due Date: August 17, 2022, and December 7, 2022
- iii) Notice of Funds Available includes criteria, eligibility, projects, cycle timeline and all details.

c) Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program

- i) This grant program provides opportunities for the cleanup of illegal disposal sites on farm and ranch property. The grants can also provide funds to pay for removal and disposal of solid waste, tires and related materials left at homeless encampments located on farm and ranch properties. Funds can also pay for site security measures implemented at the properties to prevent future illegal dumping at homeless encampments, should they take place.
 - (a) Pilot Program: Applicants in the third cycle may choose to apply under the pilot project (Pilot) if they need additional time to submit documents identified in the Application Guidelines. The Pilot will allow an applicant to apply for funds for existing illegal disposal sites with only a resolution and an estimate of expenses submitted by the application due date. After grant award, the grantee will then complete and submit the remaining application forms to GMS to make the application complete. Grantees must submit the remaining forms before cleanup costs are incurred.
- ii) Application Due Dates: November 10, 2022, and February 9, 2023
- iii) Notice of Funds Available includes criteria, eligibility, projects, cycle timeline and all details.

d) Community Composing for Green Spaces Grant Program

- i) This is the second cycle of the <u>Community Composting for Green Spaces</u>
 <u>Grant Program</u>. The purpose of this competitive grant program is to increase the number of community groups operating small-scale composting programs supporting green spaces within Priority Population communities. This effort will also increase local composting capacity while expanding community knowledge about the benefits of compost use and proper composting techniques. Green spaces include community gardens, urban farms, and other public spaces where small-scale composting is appropriate.
- ii) Eligible applicants include local governments, regional/local sanitation or waste agencies, JPAs, special districts, nonprofits, State agencies, universities/colleges, qualifying tribal entities.
- iii) Funds are being distributed by region: each region is provided a base amount of \$300,000.
- iv) Eligibility, Scoring Criteria and Evaluation Process from August 2022
- e) Beverage Container Recycling Pilot Program

- i) Local jurisdictions can apply now to turn their recycling deserts into hubs for convenient bottle and can redemption with California's Beverage Container Recycling Pilot Project Program. Not bound by the old rules of recycling, pilot projects allow more flexible operating requirements and customized redemption programs designed to meet a region's unique needs.
- ii) <u>Eligibility Criteria and Evaluation Process for the Beverage Container</u>

 <u>Redemption Pilot Project Program (Beverage Container Recycling Fund</u>

 <u>Fiscal Year 2021-22)</u>
- iii) More Information, see <u>video</u>, or visit webpages <u>Beverage Container</u>
 Recycling Pilot Program (SB 458 2017) & (AB 54 2019) CalRecycle
 Home Page, <u>Beverage Container Redemption Pilot Project Grant Program CalRecycle Home Page</u> or email <u>RCpilot@calrecycle.ca.gov</u>

9) Public Meeting Notice: RDRS Regulations Rulemaking Workshop 3

- a) CalRecycle will soon begin a rulemaking to update the regulations for the Recycling and Disposal Reporting System (RDRS), pursuant to SB 343, AB 881, and AB 901. Before the formal rulemaking begins, the Department will hold three informal workshops, where staff will overview the changes, present draft regulatory text, and solicit stakeholder feedback. Each of the three workshops will be held virtually with no physical location. This page advertises the third workshop. You may attend the workshop either through GoTo Webinar, which will include voice and chat functionality, or via webcast, which is view-only. The GoTo Webinar requires registration.
- b) The third workshop of the series will be held on 8/30/2022 10:00AM 12:00PM
- c) Public Meeting Live Webcast https://video.calepa.ca.gov/
 - (1) Attend via GoTo Webinar, requires registration: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/669122247001732 8911
 - (2) Attend via webcast https://video.calepa.ca.gov/#/player/975
 - ii) Important: If you attend via webinar, then you will be able to make comments through the webinar tool. If you attend via webcast, then you will be able to make comments by emailing the rulemaking staff at sb343_ab881_rulemaking@calrecycle.ca.gov.

10) Next CalRecyle Monthly Public Meetings

a) September 20, 2022, and October 18, 2022 https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicMeeting/