

Renewable Placer: Waste Action Plan



Proactively meeting the infrastructure needs of western Placer County through responsible solid waste management.

The Western Placer Waste Management Authority (WPWMA) is expanding our facilities to meet the needs of Placer County's growing population and California's increased regulatory requirements. Moving beyond the status quo provides protection and opportunity.

THE ISSUES



California is enforcing regulations to reduce material going into landfills.



The collapse of the international recycling market has impacted solid waste facility capacities across the US.



The WPWMA has outgrown existing solid waste facilities.



The WPWMA must expand operating capacity to comply with state regulations and accommodate population growth.

75%

75% organics diversion required by 2025 necessitates a doubling of existing facility capacity.



Expanding the WPWMA's facilities allows Placer County to maintain local control over solid waste customers' rates and services.



WPWMA estimates a doubling of the population over the next 20 years.

The WPWMA is working closely with the community to develop practical solid waste management solutions that prioritize our neighbors and customers, maintain local control, and support continued economic growth.



BOTTOM LINE

Addressing solid waste infrastructure needs now will provide for regional economic growth and reduce potentially significant cost implications for jurisdictions, residents and businesses.

THE PLAN



The Plan ensures that WPWMA and its Member Agencies are well-positioned to meet resident and business needs. The Plan complies with regulations through innovative local waste management, supporting regional growth, and positioning western Placer County as an innovative leader in resource recovery through a closed-loop system, creating new products, local jobs and revenue opportunities.

PLAN GOALS



Increase facility recycling and landfill diversion



Create opportunities for industrial innovation and economic growth



Provide capacity to support current and future population and development



Provide a safeguard for future generations by maintaining local control and stable rates



Ensure compliance with expanding regulations



Enhance operational compatibility with current and future neighboring land uses

PLAN ELEMENTS



Landfill

Provide capacity to accommodate regional growth; maintain local control of costs and disposal methods.



Composting

Process additional materials to meet regulations; minimize associated odors.



Construction and Demolition

Increase operating capacity, efficiency, and material diversion; maintain competitive rates.



Public Drop-off

Maintain safety and convenience; reduce traffic congestion.

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Engaged a wide range of stakeholders and interested parties for input on plan concepts.

2018

Evaluated facility needs in a transparent process by conducting studies to support plan decisions.

2019

Plan concepts selected for CEQA based on informed WPWMA Board decision.

2020

COMING SOON: Draft EIR public review, comment period and public hearings. WPWMA Board consideration of Plan project approval.

2021



For more about the Plan, view Plan options through our new interactive map and learn more about our public engagement opportunities, visit: www.renewableplacer.com