CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CHAPTER
MEETING AGENDA

DATE: November 20, 2026

LOCATION:
County of Sacramento Department of Waste Management and Recycling,
10863 Gold Center Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Facility Tour of Commercial Waste Transfer Building, North Area Recovery Station (NARS),
4450 Roseville Road, North Highlands, CA 95660

Lunch sponsored by a generous Anonymous Donor!

Virtual meeting information: Teams link, Meeting ID: 242 420 735 098 460 6, Passcode: UQ7BW7cR

TIME:
10:00AM to 12:30PM: MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. **Call to Order** (notice of no recording or AI assistance) ..... Naomi Lue

2. **Introductions** (all members and guests present) ..... Naomi Lue

3. **Roll Call** ..... Lauren Romanazzi

OFFICERS					
Name	**Office**	**P/E/A**	**Name**	**Office**	**P/E/A**
Naomi Lue	President		Lauren Romanazzi	Secretary	
Carrie Baxter	Vice President		Dave Ghirardelli	Past President	
Wes Heathcock	Treasurer				
DIRECTORS					
Name	**Organization**	**P/E/A**	**Name**	**Organization**	**P/E/A**
Ruth Abbe	Abbe & Associates		Felipe Melchor	ReGen Monterey	
Peni Basalusalu	City of Stockton		Amy Padovani	Geosyntec Consultants	
Mark Ellis	Onterris		Bill Schmierer	Geosyntec Consultants	
Chris Hiller	Waga Energy		Tami Stolzenthaler	City of Watsonville	
Joe La Mariana	ReThink Waste		Michelle White	City of Roseville	
Brian Liebich	County of Sacramento		Cesar Zuñiga	Salinas Valley Recycles	

4. **Changes or Additions to Agenda** ..... Naomi Lue

5. **President's Comments** ..... Naomi Lue
    a. Resignation of Derek Crutchfield
    b. International SWANA / Membership "Let's Welcome You Back to SWANA!" Campaign

6. **Approval of Minutes of September 18, 2026 meeting** ..... Lauren Romanazzi

7. **Correspondence** ..... Lauren Romanazzi

8. **Treasurer's Report** ..... Wes Heathcock
    a. Cash Balance Reports – September and October 2026
    b. Statements of Budget, Revenue, and Expenditure – Through October 2026
    c. 3-Month Certificate of Deposit (CD) Update, Next CD
    d. WRS Disbursements - Update

9. **Old Business**
    a. Meeting Schedule ..... Naomi Lue
        - Jan 22 – Virtual
        - Mar 19 – Geosyntec, 1111 Broadway, 6th Floor, Oakland, CA 95607
          Tentative tour at City of Berkeley
        - Apr 26-29 - WRS in San Diego (SoCal Chapter Host, Joint Chapters Meeting)
        - May 21 – Yuba & Sutter Counties (Tentative)
        - July – Napa County (St. Helena) + Young Professionals event

10. **New Business**
    a. "What's Up with Product Stewardship and EPR? CPSC is Here to Help!" -
       Doug Kobold, Executive Director, California Product Stewardship Council
    b. Election of Private Sector Director, through June 2027 ..... Naomi Lue
        - Elizabeth Hall
    c. Draft Request for Qualifications – WRS and Administrative ..... Naomi Lue

11. **Committee Reports**
    a. Audit ..... Amy /Joe
    b. Awards ..... Mark Ellis
    c. Bylaws ..... Naomi / Carrie
    d. Communications / Website ..... Tami / Bill
    e. Legislative & Regulatory ..... Deepti / Joe / Christina / Doug / Larry
    f. Membership ..... Chris Hiller
    g. Nominations ..... Naomi Lue
    h. Programs & Workshops ..... Ruth Abbe
    i. Road-E-O ..... Brian Liebich
    j. Scholarship ..... Amy Padovani
    k. Symposium ..... Chris Hiller
    l. Training and Certification ..... Peni Basalusalu
    m. Young Professionals (YP) ..... Jonathon Martinez

12. **Suggested Topics for Next Meeting** ..... Naomi Lue

1:15PM to 2:00PM: FACILITY TOUR

Commercial Waste Transfer Building, North Area Recovery Station (NARS)
4450 Roseville Road, North Highlands, CA 95660

The new Commercial Waste Transfer Building at NARS is a $42 million project to upgrade the capacity, safety, and efficiency of the facility. The new concrete tilt-up structure provides a 315-foot by 163-foot column-free interior operations space, large enough to play a football game! The building has four gravity top-load ports, eight back-in 28-foot-high commercial access doors, and innovations in fire control, odor management, push-wall construction, and vehicle circulation. Come join us for the tour!

- Travel time from the County office to NARS is approximately 30 minutes.
- Please bring a high-visibility vest, hard hat, and sensible construction footwear.

Next Gold Rush Chapter Board Meeting: Virtual

Agenda and Attachments:
1) Meeting Agenda
2) September 18, 2026 Meeting Minutes
3) Cash Report and Statements of Budget, etc.
4) Western Regional Symposium 2026 Profit Share Breakdown
5) Legislative Task Force (LTF) Priorities – End of Session

Thank you to our meeting and tour host, County of Sacramento, and our Anonymous lunch sponsor!

CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CHAPTER
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 18, 2026

LOCATION:
City of Watsonville Water Resources Center, 500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville, CA 95076 Facility Tour of City of Watsonville Wastewater Recycling Plant and LEED Green Building Lunch sponsored by Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority (Salinas Valley Recycles)

Virtual meeting information: Zoom link, Meeting ID: 827 3285 2256, Passcode: 285717

TIME:
10:00AM to 1:00PM: MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. **Call to Order** (notice of no recording) ..... Naomi Lue
   President Lue called the meeting to order at 10:10am.

2. **Introductions** (all members and guests present) ..... Naomi Lue
   Director Stolzenthaler and Ray Martin provided an introduction to the City of Watsonville Water Resources Center.

3. **Roll Call** ..... Lauren Romanazzi

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Carrie Baxter	Vice President	P	Dave Ghirardelli	Past President	E
Wes Heathcock	Treasurer	P			
DIRECTORS					
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Ruth Abbe	Abbe & Associates	P	Felipe Melchor	ReGen Monterey	E
Peni Basalusalu	City of Stockton	A	Amy Padovani	Geosyntec Consultants	P
Derek Crutchfield	City of Vallejo	E	Bill Schmierer	Geosyntec Consultants	E
Mark Ellis	Onterris	P	Tami Stolzenthaler	City of Watsonville	P
Chris Hiller	Waga Energy	P	Michelle White	City of Roseville	E
Joe La Mariana	ReThink Waste	P	Cesar Zuñiga	Salinas Valley Recycles	P
Brian Liebich	County of Sacramento	P			

Meeting guests:
- *Nathan Arechiga, Yuba Sutter*
- *Francisco Mejia, San Jose Conservation Corp*
- *Cheri McGrath, City of Roseville*
- *Tony Graves*
- *Todd Storti*

4. **Changes or Additions to Agenda**..... Naomi Lue
   The were no changes or additions to the agenda.

5. **President's Comments**..... Naomi Lue

   a. SWANA Chapter Connect (Sept 1st), Carolyn Muller, SWANA Acting CEO
   b. RCon (Sept 29th – Oct 2nd) in St. Louis, MO
      Directors Hiller and Zuñiga will be attending RCon.
   c. WRS SoCal (April 26th – 29th) in San Diego. Registration open, Abstracts due 10/1

6. **Approval of Minutes of July 24, 2026 meeting**.....Lauren Romanazzi
   Motion: Director Heathcock, 2nd: Vice President Baxter, approved unanimously

7. **Correspondence**.....Lauren Romanazzi
   No correspondence of note.

8. **Treasurer's Report** ..... Wes Heathcock
   a. Cash Balance Reports – July and August 2026
   b. Statements of Budget, Revenue, and Expenditure – Through August 2026
   c. 3-Month Certificate of Deposit (CD)

   Treasurer Heathcock reported July and August 2026 cash balances, and summarized statement of budget, revenue, and expenditures through August 2026. He also mentioned inconsistent payments from SWANA International and discussed the recent transaction and movement of funds into a short-term CD in August.

   Motion to approve the update of all financial reports: Director Romanazzi, 2nd: Director Ellis, approved unanimously.

9. **Old Business**
   a. Meeting Schedule ..... Naomi Lue
      - Nov 20 – Sacramento County
      - Jan 22 – Virtual
      - Mar 19 – TBD (Suggestions please!) – *Potential meeting hosts: City of Roseville or Geosyntec*
      - May 21 – Yuba & Sutter Counties (Tentative)

10. **New Business**
    a. Draft Request for Qualifications – WRS and Administrative ..... Naomi Lue
       President Lue shared that our Chapter is seeking to hire a staff member to assist with Chapter Admin and WRS Admin tasks and reviewed the draft RFQ during the meeting.

11. **Committee Reports**
    a. Audit ..... Amy /Joe
    b. Awards..... Derek / Mark
    c. Bylaws ..... Naomi / Carrie
    d. Communications / Website ..... Tami / Bill
       - Form for GRC Comms Requests
       - Large files: communications@swananorcal.org
       - *Communication Committee looking for more volunteers to join their team*
    e. Legislative & Regulatory.....Deepti / Joe / Christina / Doug / Larry
       - *Larry provided regulatory update*

f. Membership ..... Chris Hiller
   - SWANA Professional Development Hours (PDHs) for WRS

g. Nominations ..... Naomi Lue

h. Programs & Workshops ..... Ruth Abbe
   - In-Person Workshop (Tent. Feb 2027)
   - *Item will be moved to New Business for November Board/Chapter meeting*

i. Road-E-O ..... Brian Liebich
   - 2026 Update: *No National Rodeo in 2026*

j. Scholarship ..... Amy Padovani

k. Symposium ..... Chris Hiller

l. Training and Certification ..... Peni / Naomi
   - Air & Waste Management Association CA LMR (Oct 15th) at Scott's in Sac
   - MOLO (Tent. April 2027 – Central Chapter)

m. Young Professionals (YP) ..... Jonathon Martinez
   - Virtual Mtg (Aug 27th)
   - *YPs seeking recommendations for industry tour opportunities*

12. **Annual Awards Presentation ..... Derek Crutchfield**
    Awards presented by Executive Committee.

13. **Suggested Topics for Next Meeting..... Naomi Lue**

Meeting adjourned at 1:17pm.

1:00PM to 2:00PM: FACILITY TOUR

Next Gold Rush Chapter Board Meeting:

Date and time: November 20, 2026; 10:00AM to 2:00PM
Meeting location: County of Sacramento Department of Waste Management and Recycling, 10863 Gold Center Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Presentation by Doug Kobold, Executive Director of California Product Stewardship Council Facility Tour: TBD

Agenda and Attachments:

1) Meeting Agenda
2) July 24, 2026 Meeting Minutes
3) Cash Report and Statements of Budget, etc.
4) GRC Board Roster
5) GRC Committees Table
6) AWMA Flyer for Oct. 15th Landfill Methane Regulation presentation

Thank you to our meeting and tour host, City of Watsonville, and our lunch sponsor, Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority (Salinas Valley Recycles)!

CASH BALANCE REPORT

September 2026

Account Type

Account Type	Transaction Type	Date	Description	Amount	Interest Rate	Policy Range	Actual Ratio
BASIC CHECKING:							
#00283		9/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$395.59			
	Deposits:						
	Teller Dep	9/2/2026	Membership Dues via Bill.com	$736.11			
	Teller Dep	9/10/2026	July Board Meeting Sponsorship - Salinas Valley	$1,000.00			
	Transfer	9/10/2026	Money Market Account 6674 Transfer to Account 0283	$3,000.00			
	Teller Dep	9/16/2026	Membership Dues via Bill.com	$598.56			
	INT	9/30/2026	Interest Earned	$0.01			
			TOTAL DEPOSITS	**$5,334.68**			
	Expenditures:						
	POS	9/10/2026	Postage Charge	$3.14			
	POS	9/11/2026	Piece by Piece Chapter Awards	$2,149.61			
	Check # 1633	9/15/2026	Tax Filing Services - J. Michale Haubert CPA	$2,065.00			
	POS	9/21/2026	Virtual Meeting Owl Cover	$82.30			
	Check # 1634	9/21/2026	September Board Meeting Catering - Juan Martines	$600.00			
	Zelle	9/25/2026	September Board Meeting Raffle Prizes Reimbursement - Baxter	$210.83			
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$5,110.88			
		9/30/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$619.39**	0.01%		
CHECKING SYMPOSIUM/MOLO:		9/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$14,917.34			
#12377	*Deposits:*						
		9/30/2026	Interest Earned	$0.12	0.01%		
			TOTAL DEPOSITS	**$14,917.46**		5% to 15%	**4%**
	Expenditures:						
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$-**			
		9/30/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$14,917.46**			
TOTAL CHECKING				**$15,536.85**			
					0.01%		
SAVINGS:							
#23362		9/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$1,308.47	0%		
		9/30/2026	Interest Earned	$0.01			
		9/30/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$1,308.48**		10% to 50%	**1%**
OTHER SAVINGS		9/15/2021	1/3 OF WRS-Sav Acct held by Southern Chapter	**$3,324.71**			
TOTAL SAVINGS				**$4,633.19**			
MONEY MARKET PLUS:		9/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$69,751.79			
#06674		9/30/2026	Interest Earned	$86.18	1.549%	15% to 60%	**17%**
	Expenditures:						
	Transfer	9/10/2026	Money Market Account 6674 Transfer to Account 0283	$3,000.00			
		9/30/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$66,837.97**			
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:					2.713%		
CD # 7470		9/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$300,000.00		20% to 70%	**78%**
			Interest				
TOTAL CDs				**$300,000.00**			

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	**CHECKING**	**$619.39**	0.01%	0%
	SYMP/MOLO	**$14,917.46**	0.00%	4%
	SAVINGS	**$1,308.48**	0.01%	0%
	MONEY MARKET	**$66,837.97**	1.549%	17%
	CD	**$300,000.00**	4.88%	78%
	Total Unrestricted	**$383,683.30**		
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	**SAVINGS (1/3 OF WRS)**	**$3,324.71**	0%	1%
GRAND TOTAL:		**$387,008.01**		100%

Wes Heathcock

Wes Heathcock, Treasurer

CASH BALANCE REPORT

October 2026

Account Type

Account Type	Transaction Type	Date	Description	Amount	Interest Rate	Policy Range	Actual Ratio
BASIC CHECKING:							
#00283		10/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$619.39			
	Deposits:						
	Teller Dep	10/15/2026	Membership Dues via Bill.com	$589.45			
	Teller Dep	10/27/2026	Scholarship Donation - Monterey Regional	$1,000.00			
	INT	10/31/2026	Interest Earned	$0.01			
			TOTAL DEPOSITS	**$1,589.46**			
	Expenditures:						
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$-			
		10/31/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$2,208.85**	0.01%		
CHECKING SYMPOSIUM/MOLO:		10/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$14,917.46			
#12377	*Deposits:*						
	Teller Dep	10/29/2026	Southern Chapter MOLO Distribution	$3,435.00			
		10/31/2026	Interest Earned	$0.13	0.01%		
			TOTAL DEPOSITS	**$18,352.59**		5% to 15%	**5%**
	Expenditures:						
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$-**			
		10/31/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$18,352.59**			
TOTAL CHECKING				**$20,561.44**			
					0.01%		
SAVINGS:							
#23362		10/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$1,308.48	0%		
		10/31/2026	Interest Earned	$0.02			
		10/31/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$1,308.50**		10% to 50%	**1%**
OTHER SAVINGS		9/15/2021	1/3 OF WRS-Sav Acct held by Southern Chapter	**$3,324.71**			
TOTAL SAVINGS				**$4,633.21**			
MONEY MARKET PLUS:		10/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$66,837.97			
#06674		10/31/2026	Interest Earned	$87.99	1.549%	15% to 60%	**17%**
	Expenditures:						
		10/31/2026	ENDING BALANCE	**$66,925.96**			
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:					2.713%		
CD # 7470		10/1/2026	BEGINNING BALANCE	$300,000.00		20% to 70%	**77%**
			Interest				
TOTAL CDs				**$300,000.00**			

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	**CHECKING**	**$2,208.85**	0.01%	1%
	SYMP/MOLO	**$18,352.59**	0.00%	5%
	SAVINGS	**$1,308.50**	0.01%	0%
	MONEY MARKET	**$66,925.96**	1.549%	17%
	CD	**$300,000.00**	4.88%	77%
	Total Unrestricted	**$388,795.90**		
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	**SAVINGS (1/3 OF WRS)**	**$3,324.71**	0%	1%
GRAND TOTAL:		**$392,120.61**		100%

Wes Heathcock

Wes Heathcock, Treasurer

GOLD RUSH CHAPTER
STATEMENT OF BUDGET, REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget

Revenues	FY 2024 2025 Actuals	FY 2025-2026 Actual As of June 30, 2026	FY 2024-2025 Aproved Budget	FY 2025-2026 Approved Budget	**FY 2026-2027 Approved Budget**	FY 2026-2027 Actual As of October 31, 2026	NOTES for Budget FY 2026-2027
Membership Dues	$ 12,000	$ 10,812	$ 12,000	$ 12,000	**$ 12,000**	$ 1,924	
Sponsorship Revenue	$ 1,000	$ 500	1,000	1,000	**2,000**	1,000	
Board Meetings Reimbursement	$ 200	$ 720	200	200	**400**	120	Non-board member meal Reimb.
Savings/Money Market Interest	$ 200	$ 551	200	200	**200**	361	
CD Interest	$ 4,000	$ 1,565	4,000	2,560	**250**		
Seminars/Webinars	$ 2,500						
Symposium (Gold Rush share)	$ 7,500	$ 16,615	7,500	25,000			CA Chapter WRS Profit Share
MOLO (Gold Rush share)	$ 1,500	$ 20,042	1,500	1,500	**1,500**	3,435	CA Chapter MOLO Profit Share
Other Courses Taught	$ -		-				
Scholarship	$ 500	$ 500	500	500	**1,500**	1,500	Scholarship sponsorship
2026 Symposium	-	343,787	-	217,000	-		
Miscellaneous	$ -	$ 351	-				
Total Revenues	$ 29,400	$ 395,443	$ 26,900	$ 259,960	**$ 17,850**	**$ 8,341**	

Expenditures	FY 2024-2025 Actuals	FY 2025-2026 Actual as of June 30, 2026	FY 2024-2025 Approved Budget	FY 2025-2026 Approved Budget	**FY 2026-2027 Approved Budget**	FY 2026-2027 Actual as of October 31, 2026	NOTES for Budget FY 2025-2026
Supplies/Postage/Printing	$ 500	$ 362	$ 500	500	**400**	51	postage including tax forms
Web/Tech/Com	$ 6,500	$ 3,479	4,500	4,500	**4,000**	1,647	All technology and cloud services related charges (Sep: Dropbox, camera, mic)
Travel	$ 3,500	$ 2,580	3,500	3,500	**3,000**		Past President Travel to Big SWANA
Board Meetings	$ 8,500	$ 2,298	9,000	9,000	**5,000**	1,494	
Installation Banquet	$ -						
Memberships	$ -		350	350	**350**		Retired board member
YP Events/Training/SWANA Events	$ 2,000	$ 896	1,000	1,000	**1,000**		
Scholarship Fund	$ 6,000		6,000	6,000	**6,000**	4,000	
Miscellaneous	$ 3,500	$ 6,122	4,000	4,000	**4,000**	2,150	Bud forPurchasing Gold pendants and annual awards and misc
MOLO Expense/Rev Share	$ -	$ 12,753	-	4,500	**0**		
Insurance	$ 2,000	$ 1,120	2,000	2,000	**1,500**		GL and D&O Insurance
Tax Preparation Fee	$ 2,500	$ 2,045	2,500	2,500	**2,500**	2,065	Rea and Associates - tax preparation
Webinars	$ 2,300		300	300	**300**		
2026 Symposium Expense	$ 5,000	$ 130,667	-	143,000	**96,000**		
Total Expenditures	$ 42,300	$ 162,322	$ 33,650	$ 181,150	**$ 124,050**	**$ 11,407**	
Net Gain or (Loss)	$ (12,900)	$ 233,122	$ (6,750)	$ 78,810	**$ (106,200)**	**$ (3,066)**	

2026 GRC WRS Rev/Exp Report	
Revenue	$327,172
Expense	$190,667
Total	**$136,505**

Shared Revenue Breakdown			
Total Revenue	**$136,505**		
	Portion	**Amount**	**Total for Host**
Northern Share	1/9	$ 15,167.22	$ 60,668.89
Central Share	1/9	$ 15,167.22	
SoCal Share	1/9	$ 15,167.22	
Host (Northern)	1/3	$ 45,501.67	
LTF	1/3	$ 45,501.67	
Total Disbursement		**$136,505.00**	

WRS/MOLO Account Balance	
Account	$18,352
CD	$300,000
Total Balance	$318,352
WRS Disbursements	$75,836
GRC WRS Support Contract	$40,000
MOLO 2027/28	$40,000
Total Obligations	$155,836
Total	**$162,516**

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What's Up with Product Stewardship & EPR? CPSC Is Here to Help!



November 20, 2026

CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH CHAPTER
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Presented By:

Doug Kobold

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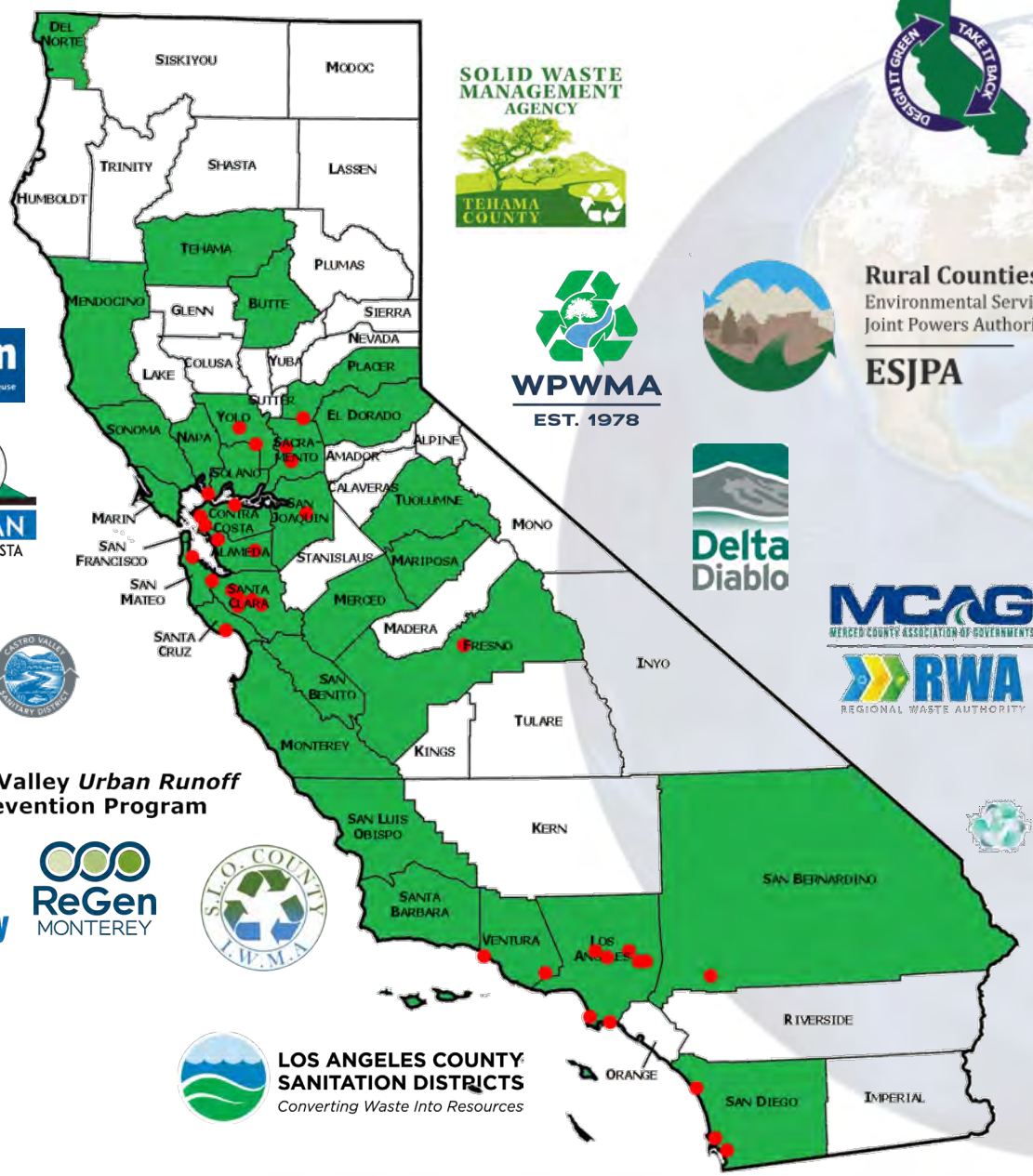


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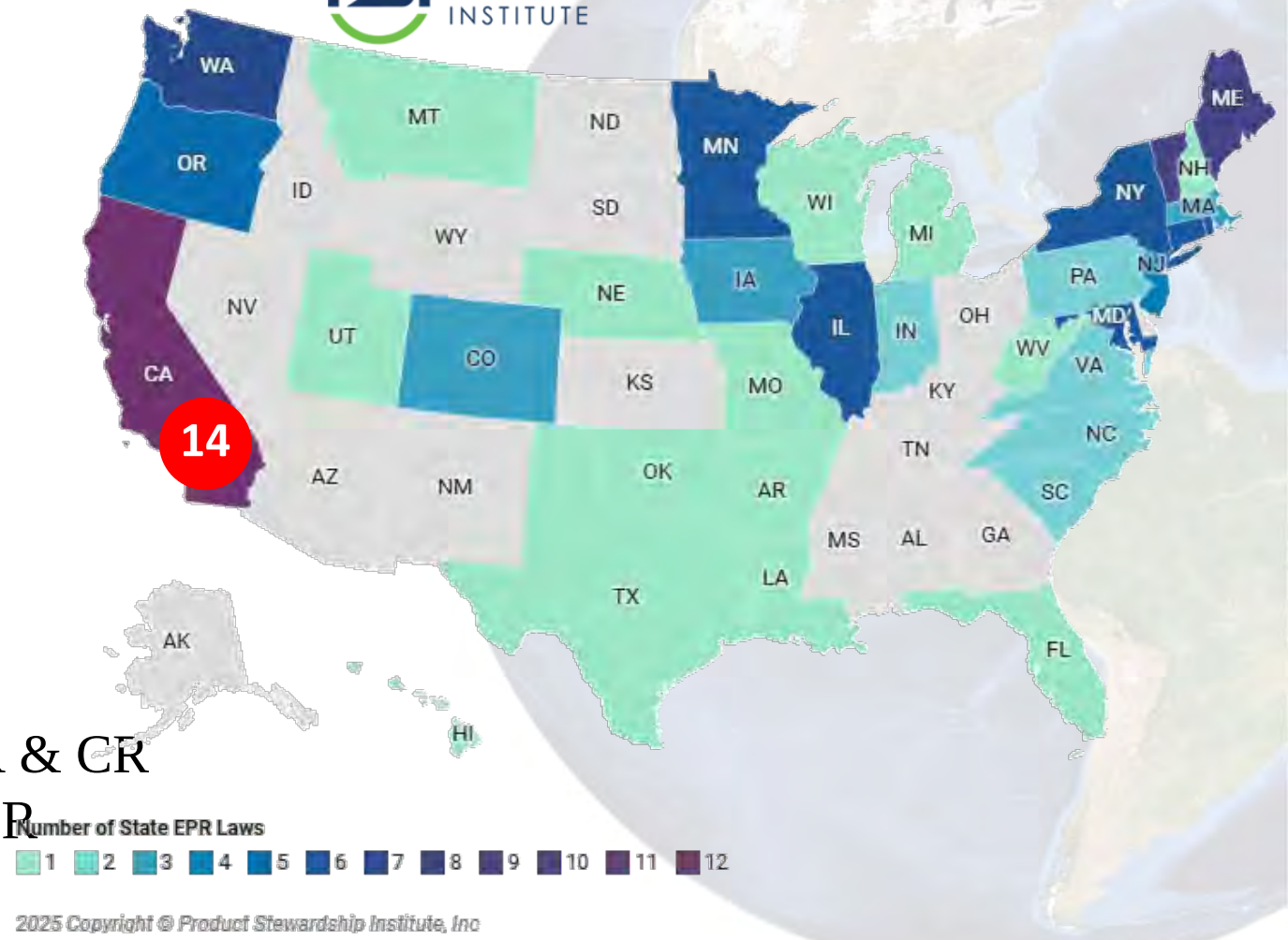
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US Product Stewardship Laws

California Product Categories

1. Beverage containers (1986) - CR
2. Tires (1989) - CR
3. Used oil (1991) - PR
4. Electronic waste (2003) - CR
5. Ag Pesticide Containers (2008) - PR
6. Product recall (2008) - PR
7. Mercury thermostats (2008) - PR
8. Carpet (2010) - CR
9. Paint (2010) - CR
10. Mattresses (2015) - CR
11. Meds & Medical sharps (2018) - PR
12. Loose & Embedded Batteries (2022) – PR & CR
13. Packaging & food service ware (2022) - PR
14. Textiles (2024) - PR



Key: (Primary Funding Source) PR = Producer Responsibility, CR = Consumer Responsibility

California Product Stewardship Laws
(Primary Funding Sources)

Producer Responsibility

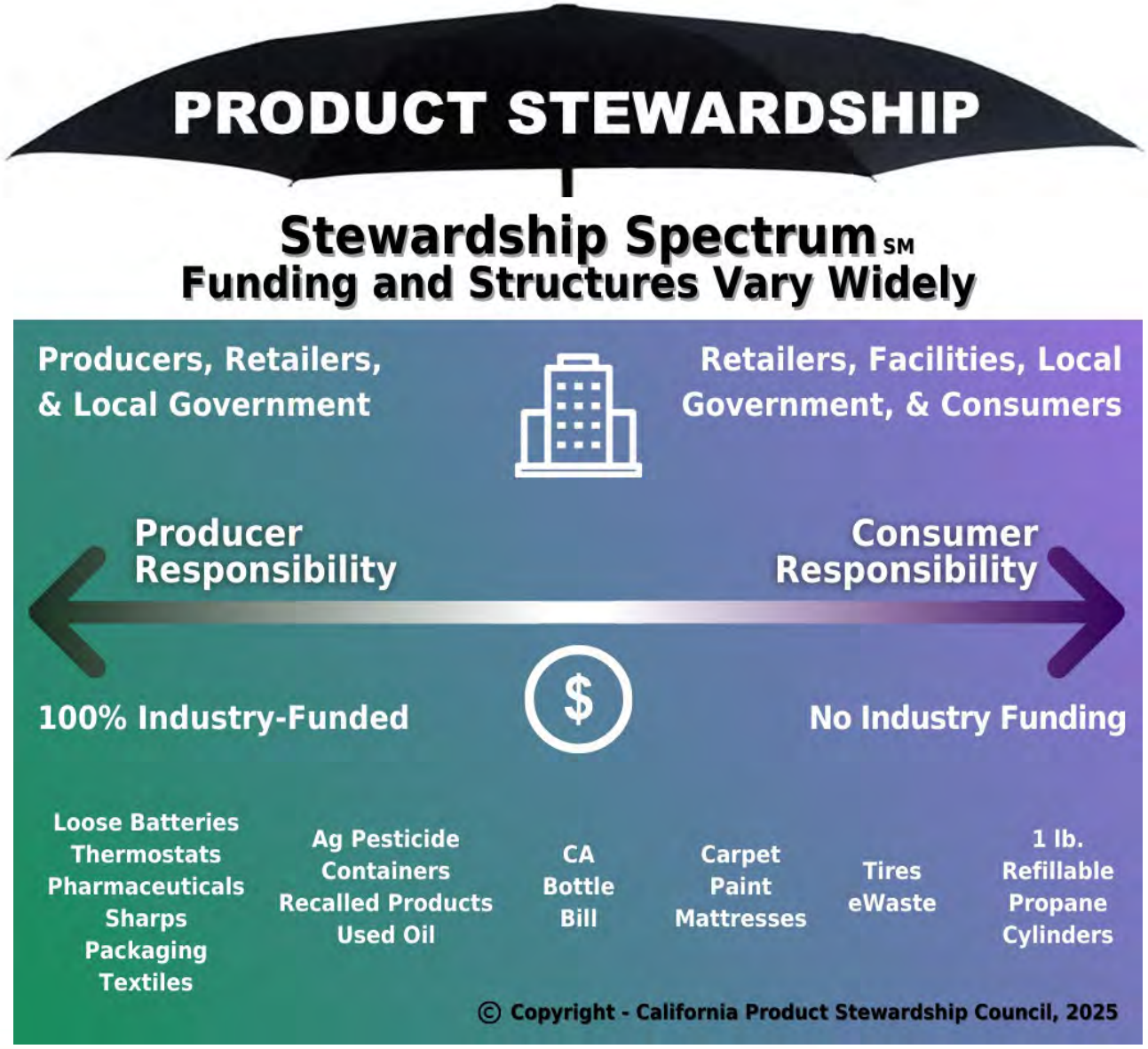
- Oil Recycling Enhancement Act (AB 2076, Sher, 1991; …)
- Product Recall Safety & Protection Act (AB 1860, Huffman, 2008)
- Ag Pesticide Containers Recycling (SB 1723, Maldonado, 2008)
- Mercury Thermostats (AB 2347, Ruskin, 2008; AB 707, Quirk, 2021; AB 732, Quirk, 2022)
- Meds and Sharps (SB 212, Jackson, 2018)
- Responsible Battery Recycling Act (AB 2440, Irwin, 2022; SB 501, Allen, 2026)
- Packaging (SB 54, Allen, 2022)
- Textiles (SB 707, Newman, 2024)

Consumer Responsibility

- Beverage Container Recycling Act (AB 2020, Margolin, 1986; … SB 1013, Atkins 2022; SB 353, Dodd, 2023)
- Tire Recycling Act (AB 1843, Brown, 1989 & SB 876, Escutia, 2000)
- E-waste Recycling Act (SB 20, Sher, 2003; SB 50, Sher, 2004; & SB 1215 Newman, 2022; SB 568, Newman, 2023)
- Paint (AB 1343, Huffman, 2010; AB 1526, Natural Resources Committee, 2023; and SB 1143, Allen, 2024)
- Carpet (AB 2398, Perez, 2010; AB 1158, Chu, 2017; AB 726, Chu, 2019; and AB 863, Aguiar-Curry, 2024; AB 904, Aguiar-Curry 2026)
- Mattresses (SB 254, Hancock, 2013 and AB 187, Garcia, 2019)

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California Programs on the Stewardship Spectrum



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Who's Paying?



It's Important!

Battery Legislation

2022 – CPSC Co-sponsors AB 2440 with Assembly Member Irwin

- Made the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Act of 2006 (AB 1125) inoperative as of September 30, 2026.
- Created an EPR program called the Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022.
- Covered batteries include loose household (small format) batteries of all chemistries.
- Established fairly-expansive collection network.
- Bill was signed by the Governor on September 16, 2022.

2022 – CPSC Co-sponsors SB 1215 with Senator Newman

- Updated the existing statewide e-waste recycling program (SB 20 & SB 50) for the first time in 20 years.
- Expanded the program to include battery-embedded products.
- Established an initial visible fee collected at the point of sale.
- Bill was signed by the Governor on September 16, 2022.

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Battery Legislation (Cont'd)

2026 – CPSC Co-sponsors AB 762 with Assembly Member Irwin

- Prohibits the import or manufacturing for sale into California any disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device as of January 1, 2027.
- Bans the sale of disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation devices as of January 1, 2028.
- Applies only to nicotine devices.
- Bill was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2026.

2026 – NSAC Co-sponsors SB 501 with Senator Allen

- Updated AB 2440 to include medium format batteries.
- Bill was signed by the Governor on September 20, 2026.

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Batteries, where are we now?

Loose Battery EPR Program (AB 2440 & SB 501)

- CalRecycle will continue to promulgate regulations with the passage of SB 501.
- https://calrecycle.ca.gov/EPR/batteries/
- https://calrecycle.ca.gov/laws/rulemaking/rbrar/

Battery-Embedded Products Program (SB 1215)

- On January 1, 2026, CalRecycle began collecting a visible fee on each product based on 1.5% of the sales price, not to exceed $15.00 under the Covered Battery-Embedded Product (CBEP) program.
- Visible fee maximum will drop to $1.00 on January 1, 2027.
- Beginning March 1, 2026 e-waste recyclers/processors were able to claim $1.15/lb for battery-embedded CEW. Approved collectors receive $0.40/lb of that funding.
- https://calrecycle.ca.gov/Electronics/CEW/
- https://calrecycle.ca.gov/electronics/embeddedbatteries/

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Textile Legislation

2024 – CPSC Sponsored SB 707 with Senator Newman

- Created an EPR program called the Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2024.
- PRO to submit a complete plan for the collection, transportation, repair, sorting, and recycling, and the safe and proper management, of apparel and textile articles.
- Focuses on Reuse & Repair.
- Utilize and expand on the existing collection network.
- Bill was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2024.

"Producer responsibility organization" or "PRO" was approved by the department on Feb 27, 2026

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Textile Legislation (Cont'd)

"Covered product" means an apparel or textile article.



"Apparel" means clothing and accessory items intended for regular wear or formal occasions and outdoor activities. For purposes of this chapter "apparel" includes only undergarments, shirts, pants, skirts, dresses, overalls, bodysuits, costumes, vests, dancewear, suits, saris, scarves, tops, leggings, school uniforms, leisurewear, athletic wear, sports uniforms, swimwear, formal wear, onesies, bibs, footwear, handbags, backpacks, knitted and woven accessories, jackets, coats, snow pants, ski pants, and uniforms for workwear.



"Textile article" means an item customarily used in households or businesses that are made entirely or primarily from a natural, artificial, or synthetic fiber, yarn, or fabric. For purposes of this chapter, "textile article" includes only blankets, curtains, fabric window coverings, knitted and woven accessories, towels, tapestries, bedding, tablecloths, napkins, linens, and pillows.

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Textile Legislation (Cont'd)



SB 54 – What's The Goal?

Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act



Cut By	Recycle	Ensure
25%	65%	100%
Single-use plastic: • Packaging and • Food service ware	Of single-use plastic: • Packaging and • Food service ware	Of single-use: • Packaging • Plastic food service ware Is recyclable or compostable

https://calrecycle.ca.gov/packaging/packaging-epr/



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In California, by 2032:



100% of single-use packaging and plastic single-use food ware will be recyclable or compostable



65% of single-use plastic packaging and food ware will be recycled

30 % by 2028 | 40% by 2030



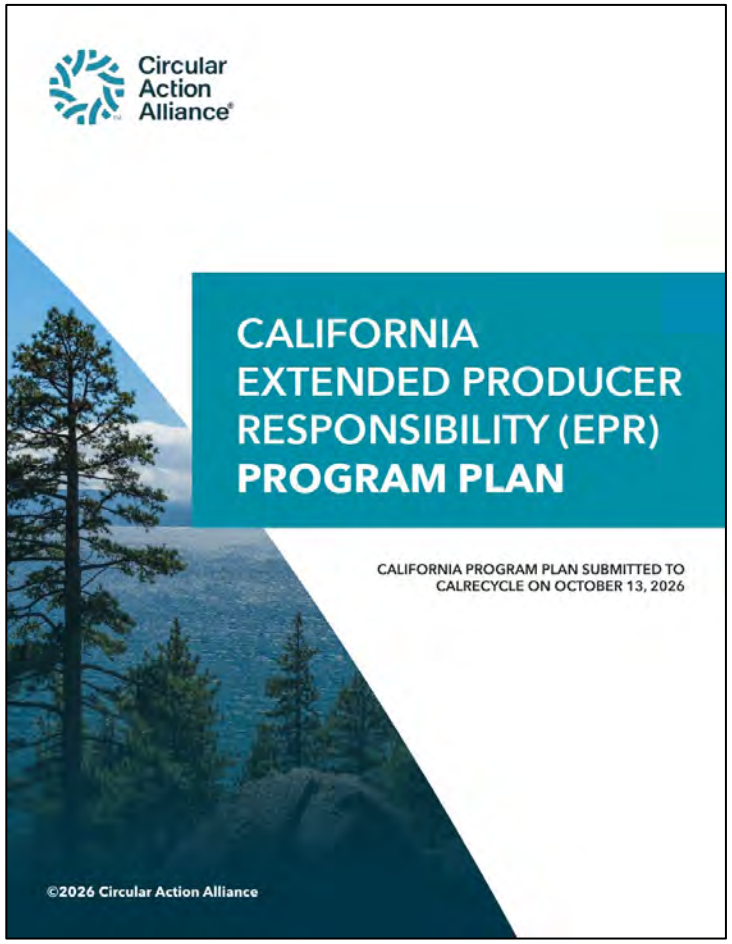
25% of single-use plastic packaging and food ware will be source reduced by weight and unit

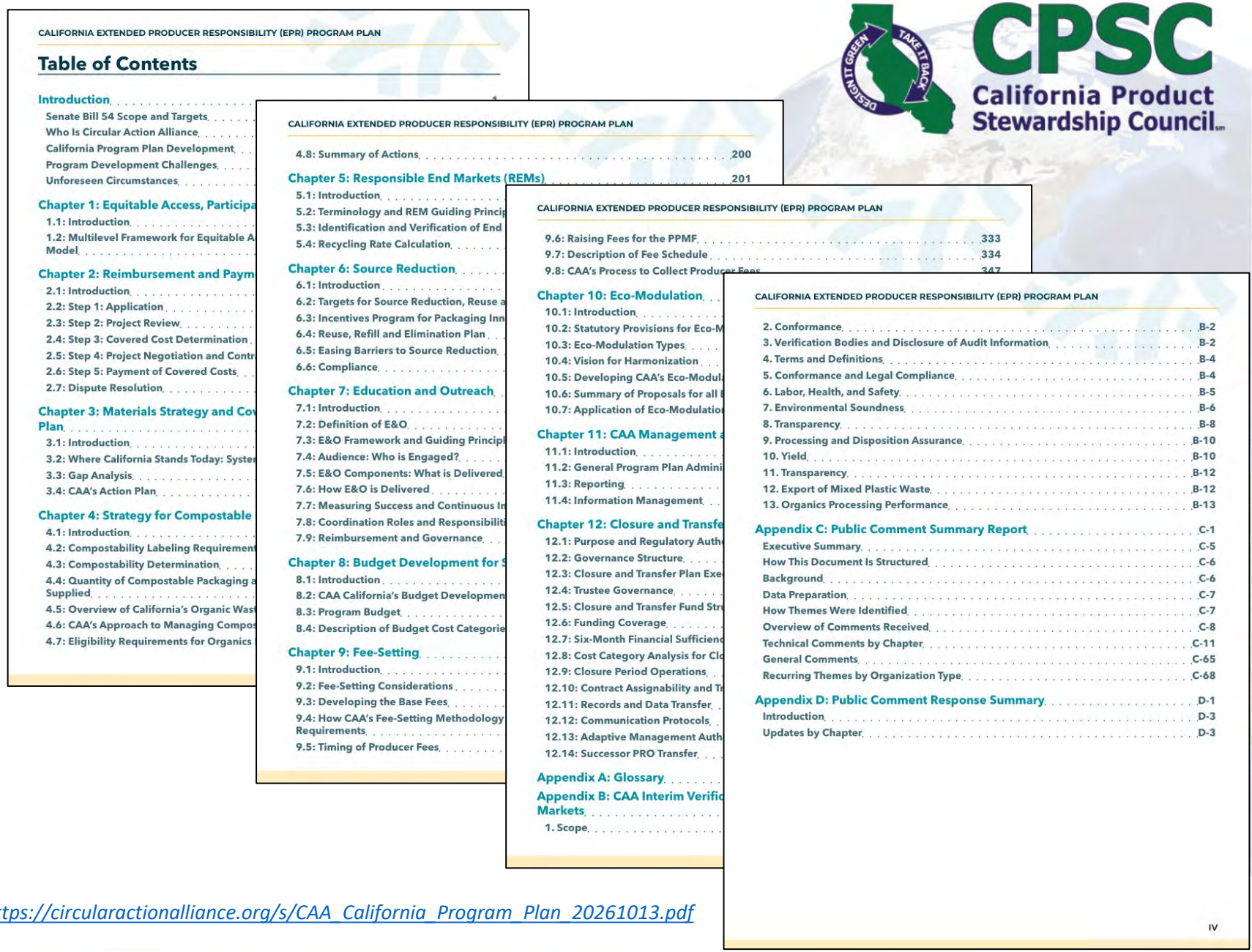
10% by 2027 (2% reuse/refill)
20% by 2030 (4% reuse/refill)

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The PRO Plan!

The 348-page plan was revised to 393 pages!!





https://circularactionalliance.org/s/CAA_California_Program_Plan_20261013.pdf

What Resources Are Available?

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https://calrecycle.ca.gov/packaging/packaging-epr/

Related Links

- Advisory Board
- EPS Notification Portal
- Expanded Polystyrene Food Service Ware Requirements
- Extended Producer Responsibility
- Needs Assessment
- Packaging Materials Management
- Plastics
- Plastic Pollution Mitigation Fund
- Rulemaking page
- Extensions, Exemptions, and Exclusions

Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Updates

Under California law, to continue selling EPS food service ware in the state, EPS food service ware producers must demonstrate that all EPS meets a 25% recycling rate as of January 1, 2025.

- To date, this requirement has not been met.
- As a result, producers are prohibited from selling, offering for sale, distributing, or importing EPS food service ware, like single-use takeout containers and cups, in or into California.

Learn More

Upcoming Events

November 6, 2026
Advisory Board Meeting
Agenda/Public Notice

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Location: CalEPA Headquarters, Byron Sher Auditorium (2nd floor)
1001 "I" St., Sacramento, CA 95814

Attend in person or online:
- Zoom
- Webcast

Past Events

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Carpet

2026 – CPSC Sponsored AB 904 with Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry

- Made changes to the existing carpet recycling program.
- Changes the public collection network to be a no-cost drop-off program like mattresses.
- Require the PRO to create a governing board for the program, with 14 voting members.
- Requires public disclosure of intentionally added components (Candidate Chemicals listed by DTSC) that exceed 1 % by weight.
- Bill was signed by the Governor on September 27, 2026.
- CalRecycle to promulgate regulations for AB 863 & AB 904.

California Carpet Stewardship Program

https://carpetrecovery.org/california/



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One-Pound Propane Cylinders Update

Senate Bill 1280 (Laird)

- Waste management: propane cylinders: reusable or refillable.
- Would prohibit the sale of non-refillable, non-reusable propane cylinders after January 1, 2028.
  - Introduced February 15, 2024
  - **Signed by the Governor on September 22, 2024**
  - Only opposition was Worthington Industries and the California Retailers Association.

What changed from 2022 when SB 1256 (Wieckowski) was Vetoed?

Number of refillables sold by Flame King: (based on serial number)

- Sold between Early 2014 to September 2022 estimated at a little over 500K
- Number sold by September 2024 estimated at over 1.5M

Number of exchange locations increased 7 ½ times in those 2 years

National Parks that started carrying only refillables in their stores:

Yosemite, Sequoia, Kings Canyon, Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, Crater Lake, Shenandoah, and Big Bend

New refillable brands like Mr. Heater (Fuel Keg) and Ignik Gas Growler entered the market







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One-Pound Propane Cylinders Update (Cont'd)

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHSMA)

[Docket No. PHMSA-2025-0776; PD-41(R)]

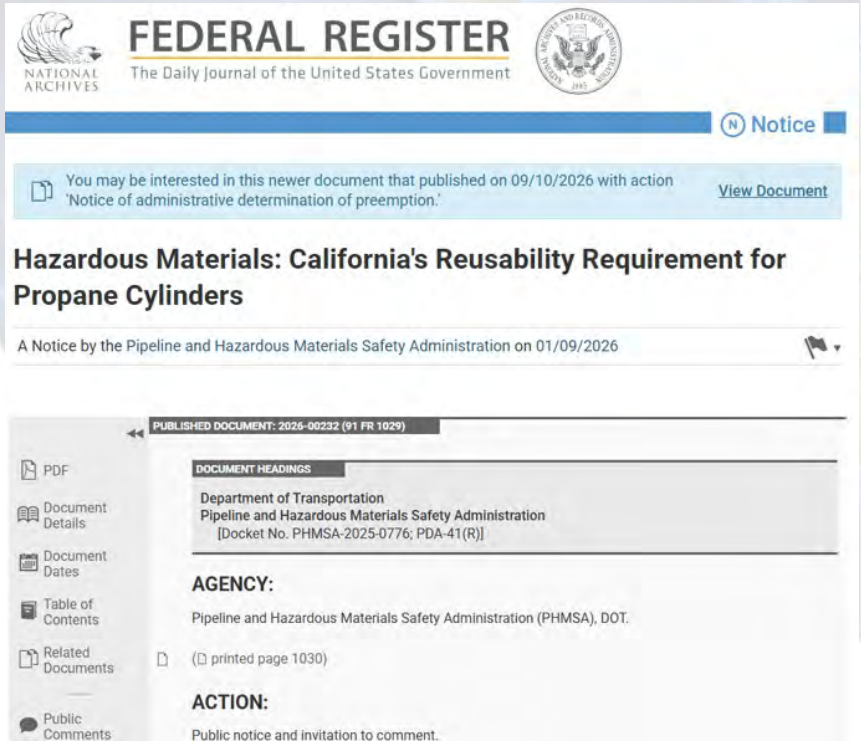
Hazardous Materials: California's Reusability Mandate for Propane Cylinders

Worthington Enterprises, Inc. applies for preemption of California's SB 1280 (Laird, 2024) under the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (HMTA).

Notice from PHSMA on January 9, 2026

- Worthington asserts that the HMTA preempts that law's requirement that all propane cylinders of certain sizes be reusable or refillable as not substantively the same as the HMTA or the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) because it is about "the designing, manufacturing, . . . [or] maintaining" a "container" used for the transportation of hazardous materials... Worthington asserts the law requires propane cylinders to be manufactured in such a way to be durable enough to withstand "multiple uses."
- Worthington contends this reusability requirement is not substantively the same as the HMTA or HMR because it **prohibits single-use cylinder designs** expressly authorized by the HMR.
- Last, Worthington asserts California's propane cylinder reusability requirement is preempted because it is "an obstacle to accomplishing and carrying out" the HMTA. Specifically, Worthington argues California's law undermines uniformity in hazardous material regulation by imposing requirements only applicable in California, creates an economic burden on cylinder manufacturers, and undermines the HMTA's safety objectives by taking propane cylinders with a proven safety record off the market.

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2026-01-09/pdf/2026-00232.pdf


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Notice

You may be interested in this newer document that published on 09/10/2026 with action 'Notice of administrative determination of preemption.' View Document

Hazardous Materials: California's Reusability Requirement for Propane Cylinders

A Notice by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration on 01/09/2026

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[Docket No. PHMSA-2025-0776; PDA-41(R)]

AGENCY:

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

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ACTION:

Public notice and invitation to comment.

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One-Pound Propane Cylinders Update (Cont'd)

California's Responses

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Rob Bonta
Attorney General

Via www.regulations.gov

March 10, 2026

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Re: *Hazardous Materials: California's Reusability Requirement for Propane Cylinders*, 91 Fed. Reg. 1029 (Jan. 9, 2026) [Docket No. PHMSA-2025-0776; PDA-41(R)]

Dear Mr. Coyle:

The California Attorney General submits these rebuttal comments on the application (Application) of Worthington Enterprises, Inc. (Worthington), for a determination by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) whether a California statute requiring that most propane cylinders sold in the State be reusable or refillable starting in 2028 (Senate Bill [SB] 1280),[1] is preempted by the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (HMTA).[2] or its implementing regulations, the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR).[3] We have reviewed comments in support of the Application submitted by the California Grocers Association; Cleveland-Cliffs, Inc.; the Attorneys General of Kansas and Ohio; the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, District 10; the National Propane Gas Association; and the coalition of California wildlife conservation organizations. We also have reviewed comments opposing the Application submitted by the California Product Stewardship Council, Californians Against Waste, the Solid Waste Association of North America, and Special Waste Associates.

Among SB 1280's primary aims is to protect public safety. It was enacted to protect workers in the municipal waste and recycling industries from the dangers of handling improperly disposed propane cylinders..[4] As such, it falls squarely within California's traditional police powers and is entitled to the presumption against preemption..[5] Furthermore, neither the

[1] 2024 Cal. Stat. Ch. 466, codified at Cal. Pub. Res. Code §§ 42395–42395.2.
[2] 49 U.S.C. §§ 5101 *et seq.*
[3] 49 C.F.R. §§ 171.1 *et seq.*
[4] SB 1280 also furthers important resource conservation goals, which are also legitimate state objectives.
[5] *See, e.g., Wyeth v. Levine*, 555 U.S. 555, 565 (2009); *De Buono v. NYSA-ILA Medical and Clinical Services Fund*, 520 U.S. 806, 814 (1997).

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February 9, 2026

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RE: Docket No. PHMSA-20

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CALIFORNIANS AGAINST WASTE

February 9, 2026

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RE: Docket No. PHMSA-20
Requirement for Propane

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Californians A
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Date: February 9, 2026

To: Docket No. PHMSA-2025-0776; PDA-41(R), Dept. of Transportation, PHMSA.

From: David Nightingale, CHMM, Principal, Special Waste Associates

I certify that copies of this comment have been sent to Mr. Hayek and Mr. Bonta at the addresses specified in the **Federal Register.**

I own a firm, Special Waste Associates, that provides consulting services to local and state jurisdict across the US and many in California that manage household hazardous wastes (HHW). HHW incl the small propane cylinders which are the primary subject of the preemption of the State of Califo refillable and reusable law.

I have provided professional HHW advice to local and state collection programs for more than 35 y My experience spans the US and I have visited over 170 HHW permanent collection facilities in the and Canada. I have worked for national engineering consulting firms in this capacity. In addition, the statewide technical and policy lead for the WA State Dept. of Ecology on HHW regulation and for more than 17 years. Until the end of 2025 I served on the Board of Directors of the North Ame Hazardous Materials Management Association.

Since the early 1990's I have co-authored and taught a three-day professional curriculum regardin HHW management to meet regulatory requirements including DOT PHSMA for the transportation hazardous materials in commerce. I have been a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) more than 20 years.

I have also been involved with the development of extended producer responsibility initiatives an legislation as a state regulator as well as a consultant. This involvement started as the WA State representative to the Northwest Product Stewardship Council in the early 2000's.

I concur and strongly support the comments to this docket by the Solid Waste Association of Nort America (SWANA) and the California Product Stewardship Council and will not repeat the points th have made here.

My detailed comments are on the following page and makes the point that the shipping packaging holds the small propane cylinders is not the subject of the CA law and has no bearing on the DOT packaging requirements for transportation of hazardous materials. The small propane cylinders a held withing the DOT packaging. Only the surrounding packaging must comply with DOT regulate

One-Pound Propane Cylinders Update (Cont'd)

Trump's Transportation Department Stops Newsom from Breaking Federal Law, Keeps Costs Down for California Campers

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

PHMSA 08-26
Tuesday, September 8, 2026
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The Decision – Political?

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) today announced that the Department has found California's radical ban on single-use propane cylinders unlawful. The ban – which was slated to go into effect at the start of 2028 – would increase costs for California campers by eliminating the use of heavily relied on single use cylinders.

Today, happy California campers are able to purchase affordable and convenient single use cylinders for their camping needs, including heating and cooking necessities.

Under Newsom's latest climate scam mandate, single use one-pound cylinders would be banned meaning campers in California would be forced to buy more expensive and heavier alternatives.

PHMSA deemed the ban unlawful because it creates design and manufacturing rules that blatantly conflict with federal standards.

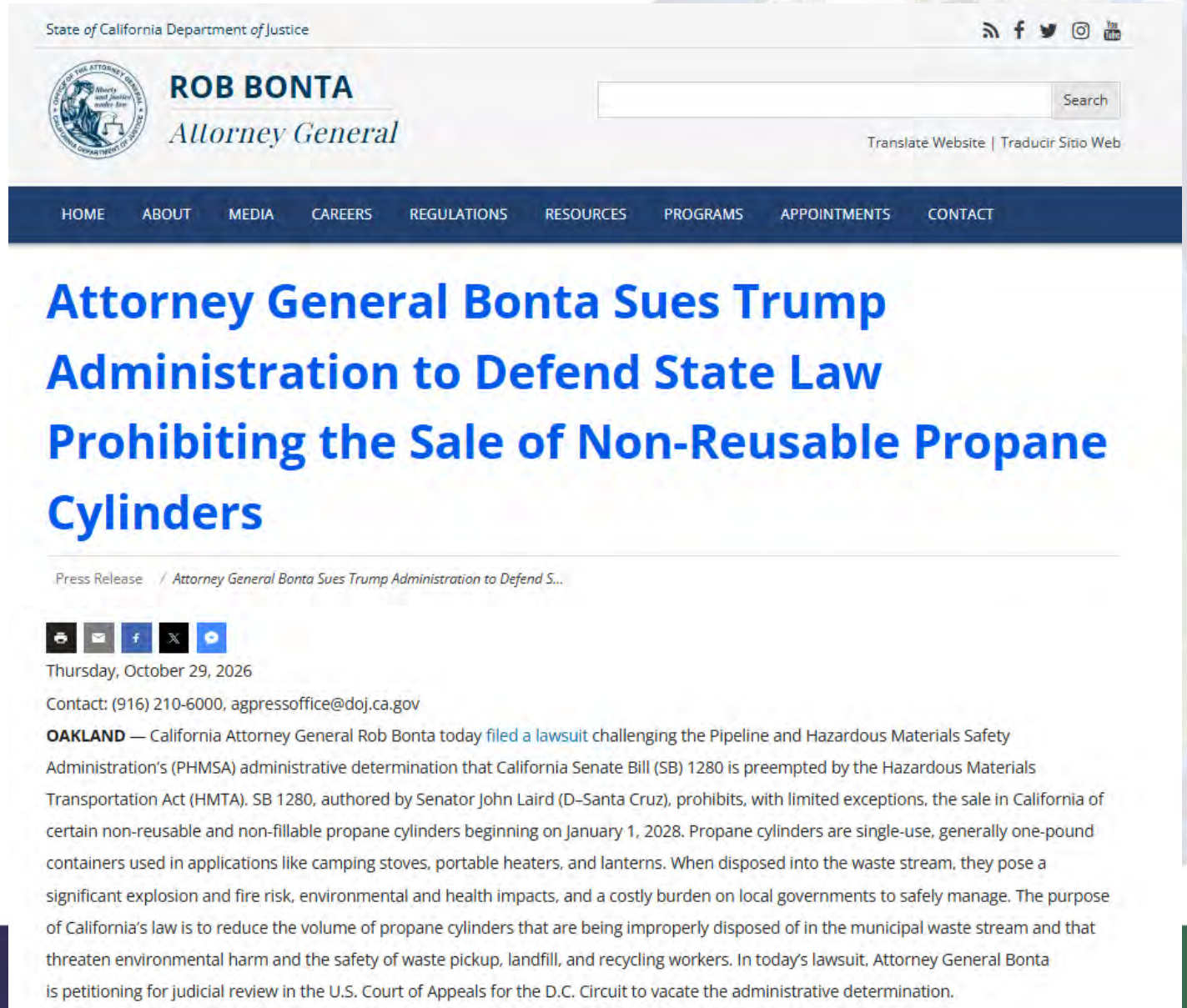
"Thanks to President Trump, the federal government's war on fossil fuels is over," said **U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy**. *"But California's radical environmentalists just don't know when to quit. Fortunately, this Administration is in the business of improving the quality of life of Americans, including Californians, which is why we're protecting cost-efficient fuel sources like propane cylinders. We're stopping this nonsense in its tracks so all Americans can enjoy the great outdoors and access the affordable energy they deserve."*

"Thousands of Americans use these propane cylinders to enjoy our beautiful country when camping," said **PHMSA Administrator Paul Roberti**. *"While the state's radical leadership pushes burdensome regulations that raise prices and stifle consumer choice, the Trump Administration is cutting red tape and protecting American families from pointless laws."*

One-Pound Propane Cylinders Update (Cont'd)

California Attorney General's Office files suit in the 9th Circuit Court!

- PHSMA decision would require confirmation from the Courts.
- Worthington would have to file case with the Courts for that confirmation.



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Attorney General Bonta Sues Trump Administration to Defend State Law Prohibiting the Sale of Non-Reusable Propane Cylinders

Press Release / *Attorney General Bonta Sues Trump Administration to Defend S...*

Thursday, October 29, 2026

Contact: (916) 210-6000, agpressoffice@doj.ca.gov

OAKLAND — California Attorney General Rob Bonta today filed a lawsuit challenging the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration's (PHMSA) administrative determination that California Senate Bill (SB) 1280 is preempted by the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (HMTA). SB 1280, authored by Senator John Laird (D–Santa Cruz), prohibits, with limited exceptions, the sale in California of certain non-reusable and non-fillable propane cylinders beginning on January 1, 2028. Propane cylinders are single-use, generally one-pound containers used in applications like camping stoves, portable heaters, and lanterns. When disposed into the waste stream, they pose a significant explosion and fire risk, environmental and health impacts, and a costly burden on local governments to safely manage. The purpose of California's law is to reduce the volume of propane cylinders that are being improperly disposed of in the municipal waste stream and that threaten environmental harm and the safety of waste pickup, landfill, and recycling workers. In today's lawsuit, Attorney General Bonta is petitioning for judicial review in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit to vacate the administrative determination.

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CPSC's Product Campaigns

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Refuel Your Fun & $ave!
Created in 2015

Statewide Textile Recovery Act Taskforce
Created in 2020 as STRAC
Renamed in 2024

Make The Electronic Marine Flare Switch
Created in 2023

Don't Rush To Flush
Created in 2016

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SWANA LTF End-of-Session Legislative Update

LTF Priority Bills

The 2025-26 legislative session ended on August 31 and the Governor had until September 30 to sign or veto all bills. The priority bills that the LTF has been monitoring are listed below. A complete list of bills the LTF tracked this session can be found at this link.

- **AB 28 (Schiavo) Solid waste landfills: subsurface temperatures.**
  - This bill would require landfill operators to report subsurface elevated temperature events, prepare corrective action plans, and comply with state oversight, while authorizing penalties and creating a fund to support mitigation and affected communities.
  - LTF Position: Oppose Unless Amended
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **AB 762 (Irwin) Disposable, battery-embedded vapor inhalation device: prohibition.**
  - The bill would ban the import, manufacture, sale, and distribution of disposable battery-embedded vapor inhalation devices in California, beginning in 2027 and 2028, and would authorize civil and criminal enforcement against violators.
  - It defines the devices as nonreusable vapor products containing tobacco, adds them to existing tobacco enforcement rules, and allows penalties, seizures, and cost recovery
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **AB 1617 (Alanis) Household hazardous waste: reporting**
  - This bill aligns household hazardous waste (HHW) reporting requirements by requiring a public agency responsible for management to, on or before October 1 of each year, submit the Form 303 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Report (Form 303) to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) and report information for the prior calendar year.
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **AB 1941 (González) Organized metal theft**
  - This bill builds upon previous efforts to tackle copper wire theft by creating a new tool of "organized metal theft", allowing prosecutors to bring enhanced charges for coordinated or repeated thefts.
  - LTF Position: Support

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- Status: Signed into law.

- **AB 2310 (Carrillo) Illegal dumping.**
  - This bill would expand California's illegal dumping laws to make it a crime to transport waste, construction debris, or similar materials with the intent to dump them in prohibited locations, while increasing penalties for repeat and large-scale violations.
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **AB 2667 (Hadwick) Vape products: household hazardous waste: advertising.**
  - The bill would strengthen California rules on vape pens and vape products by allowing limited school transport and disposal of confiscated devices, banning deceptive or game-like vape product marketing, and extending tobacco enforcement tools and penalties to vape products.
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **SB 501 (Allen) Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022: covered batteries.**
  - This bill adds medium-format batteries to the Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022.
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **SB 936 (Blakespear) Nitrous oxide: sales.**
  - The bill would restrict the sale, distribution, and possession of certain nitrous oxide products, devices, and flavored nitrous oxide, and would add related civil penalties, license sanctions, and enforcement powers for the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration.
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

- **SB 1218 (Arreguin) Vehicle immobilization: illegal dumping violation penalties**
  - The bill would expand vehicle immobilization authority to include certain vehicles whose registered owners have accumulated delinquent illegal dumping violation notices or repeated failures to pay or appear in court.
  - LTF Position: Support
  - Status: Signed into law.

LTF Priority Regulation

Below is a list of priority regulations the LTF is following. CalRecycle is working on numerous proposed regulations; a full list can be found at CalRecycle's rulemaking website.

- CARB Landfill Methane Rule
  - The California Air Resources Board (CARB) adopted amendments to the Landfill Methane Regulation, and the Office of Administrative Law approved the rulemaking.

The amendments will be effective on January 1, 2027. Rulemaking documents are available on the *LMR rulemaking webpage*.

- The LTF engaged during the rulemaking process and will continue monitoring for future actions.

Please feel free to visit the SWANA LTF website to review full bill matrices, LTF communications, meeting minutes and more. An account and login are required for full access.

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