Beverage Container Recycling Program Reform

Public Comment Form

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1. Ensure Integrity of Program Payments Made

1a. Daily Load Limits

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

(●) Critical ( ) Somewhat Useful ( ) Irrelevant

Excluding community collections programs and drop-off centers.

1b. Mark Failure to Remit CRV Collected a Crime

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

( ) Critical (●) Somewhat Useful ( ) Irrelevant

All CRV revenues would help keep the program viable and establish integrity.

1c. Post a Security Bond

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

1d.Require an Application Fee

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

1e. Require Use of DORIIS

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

A unified system to track and report would only benefit this program.

2. Modernize Program Operations

2a. Modernize Redemption Fee Structure

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

If efficiencies can be identified and established then the payoff should be a reduction in overhead cost.

2b. Modernize Process Fee Structure

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

2c. Modernize CZ/Handling Fee Structure

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

2d. Modernize Calculation/Application of Commingled Rates

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- (●) Critical
- ( ) Somewhat Useful
- ( ) Irrelevant

I only want to address the instance when the only material being commingled is glass. There needs to be clear guidelines to what the rate should be and how to qualify for that rate.

2e. Shift Payment of CRV to Dealers

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ( ) Critical
- (●) Somewhat Useful
- ( ) Irrelevant

2f. Shift Payment of Processing Fee to Dealers

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ( ) Critical
- (●) Somewhat Useful
- ( ) Irrelevant

2g. Criteria for distribution of unspent Fund balance

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ○ Somewhat Useful
- ◉ Irrelevant

3. Improve Cash Flow/Increase Receivables

3a. Increase Interest Assessment Percentage for Underpayment/Late Payment

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ○ Somewhat Useful
- ◉ Irrelevant

3b. Include all 'Ready-to-Drink' Beverages to the Program

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ◉ Critical
- ○ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

To further reduce some of the solid waste ending up in the landfills an expansion of the types of containers needs to be implemented. All containers containing recyclable materials such as wine bottles and distilled spirits should be added. I would like to propose that the program consider changing the name "Bottle" to "Consumer" and charge a redemption value on all container products that are made from recyclable material. Items like plastic baby wipe containers, plastic garbage bags, plastic paint buckets, and cooking oil containers

3c. Assess Fee to Process Applications and Hardcopy Reporting Forms

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

○ Critical ◉ Somewhat Useful ○ Irrelevant

3d. Reduce the following PRC 14581 (approx. $73.5M):

- Curbside Supplemental - $15M
- City & County Payments -$10.5M
- Plastic Market Development Payment - $10M
- Quality Incentive Payment - $10M
- Public Outreach & Education - $5M
- Competitive & LCC Grants – approx. $23M

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◉ Critical ○ Somewhat Useful ○ Irrelevant

Please continue to keep Local Community Conservation Corps funded under the CalRecycle Bottle Bill Program. See reasons under 3e.

3e. Find Alternative Funding Source for Local Community Conservation Corps

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

◉ Critical ○ Somewhat Useful ○ Irrelevant

By employing disadvantage youth through funding from CalRecycle Local Community Conservation Corps have been able to implement innovative recycling and litter abatement activities, while providing education and job training to corpsmembers. Because if these efforts, the Local Community Conservation Corps have developed into an integral part of the State of California's 82 percent recycling goal of beverage containers.

3f. Reduce Amount of Processing Fee Offset

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ○ Critical
- ◉ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

3g. Re-Evaluate Need for Administrative Fee Offset/Payments

How useful would this concept be in reforming the recycling program?

- ◉ Critical
- ○ Somewhat Useful
- ○ Irrelevant

Further understanding and evaluations may need to occur to allocate and authorize the required amounts to administer a program.

Additional Comments:

The San Jose Conservation Corps and Charter School has enables 19,000 young men and women in our community to change their lives. Many of them have become the first in their families to graduate with a high school diploma, increase their working skill levels to secure meaningful employment to help provide and support their young families and even extended families. The Local Corps as a collective group have not only increased the overall recycling rate in California but they have created many business models for which some of the waste haulers have mimicked and replicated. The Local Corps' have been and will always be in the forefront of servicing niche areas that would not otherwise receive attention and resources from the waste haulers.