



Waste Sector Working Group
Meeting #9 - May 9, 2023
9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - Virtual Only

Meeting Summary

1. Welcome
 - a. Present
 - i. Gail Garey
 - ii. Jim Cook
 - iii. Brian Ashley
 - iv. Tori Cook
 - v. Grant McCannon
 - vi. Alicia Archibald
 - vii. Heather O'Donnell
 - viii. Winn Cowman (YVSC Technical Assistant)
 - b. Not present
 - i. Meredith Rose (Chair)
 - ii. Mark Berkley
 - iii. Kathy Hastings
 - iv. Autum Sloop
2. Update from the CAP Board meeting
 - a. Board to review CAP recommendations prior to May 26 meeting to provide feedback ahead of the public open house
 - b. The CAP Board submitted letters to City Council and the County Commissioners in support of a recommendation to come out of the Recycling Drop-Off Site feasibility study. The study recommends a County-wide Recycling Center and is in direct alignment with a recommendation forthcoming from the CAP Waste Working Group. The Working Group's contributions continue to have a positive impact on important conversations happening at the governmental level.
3. Recap of the all CAP Working Group meeting
 - a. All CAP Working Group recommendations folder
 - b. Links to Working Group Google Forms for additional comment
 - i. Energy
 - ii. Transportation
 - iii. Waste
 - iv. Land Use
 - v. Economy
 - c. Review of Waste responses
4. Review Lead Implementers, Partners and Cost sections of recommendations

- a. Recommendation 1: Ban single use plastics, including water bottles, straws, lids and utensils, in municipalities and unincorporated Routt County
 - i. Comments - are there going to be fines for those who don't follow?
 - b. Recommendation 2: Require single hauler contracts for municipalities and unincorporated areas within Routt County
 - c. Recommendation 3: Require residential volume based pricing for municipalities and unincorporated areas within Routt County
 - i. Comments - Decision to include compost or not will be up to decision makers
 - d. Recommendation 4: Require that all takeout materials be zero waste in municipalities and unincorporated Routt County
 - i. Comments - Recommendation 1 targets plastics (plastic bottles), this one isn't necessarily aimed at plastic water bottles
 - ii. Could be a burden for restaurants, but there are services that wash and return items. We are working on access to those services in Routt County.
 - iii. This may lend itself into being a phased in approach
 - iv. Costs - Staff, time and education
 - e. Recommendation 5: Revise municipal codes/design standards to include hydration stations
 - f. Recommendation 6: Establish a Community Recycling Center for collection of:
 - traditional recyclables,
 - hard to recycle materials,
 - household hazardous waste
 - C&D materials (bricks, dimensional lumber, windows, fixtures, doors, etc.)
 - organics (food and yard waste)
 Include satellite drop sites for recyclables
 - g. Recommendation 7: Support compost programs, including yard waste, and ensure composting is accessible to all municipalities and county residents
 - i. Partners - End market users (landscapers, people who are going to buy the compost)
 - h. Recommendation 8: Require that all permitted events be zero waste in municipalities and unincorporated Routt County
 - i. Recommendation 9: Require commercial and multi-family unit recycling in municipalities and unincorporated Routt County
 - j. Recommendation 10: Require Construction & Demolition (C&D) diversion at construction sites
 - k. Recommendation 11: Establish a regional materials recovery facility or transfer station that is accessible to all in Routt County
 - i. Costs - Can vary if it is just a transfer station (having commercial haulers bring waste to it), drop off center did not account for land
 - ii. Comments - If county wide, would not be privately owned, intention is to have a public facility
5. Next meeting - Tuesday, June 13 - 9:00-10:30 am (if needed)
- a. YVSC will have a feel if anything needs to be addressed
 - b. June 21 - Public Open House - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Allbright Auditorium - CMC
 - c. July - Public release of recommendations - move to quarterly meetings