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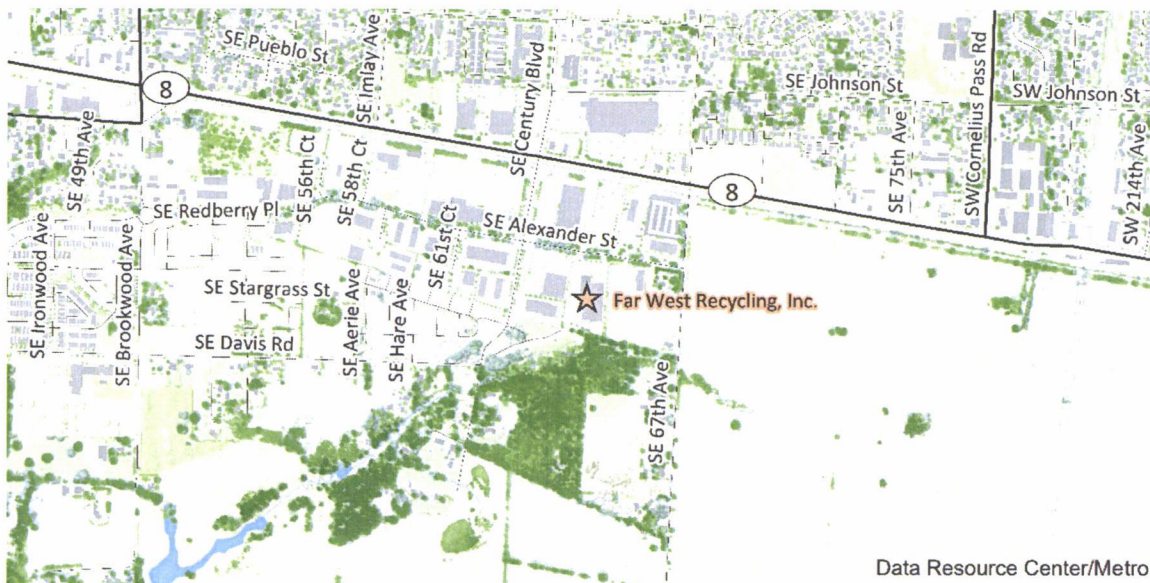
TO: Roy W. Brower, Solid Waste Information Compliance and Cleanup Manager

FROM: Will Ennis, Senior Solid Waste Planner 

RE: Issuance of new Solid Waste Facility License No. L-053-19 for Far West Recycling - Hillsboro

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Attached for your signature is new Solid Waste Facility License No. L-053-19 authorizing Far West Recycling - Hillsboro (Far West Recycling) to receive and process source-separated recyclable materials at their facility located at 6440 SE Alexander Street in Hillsboro (Metro District 4). This memo provides background information on the applicant's request and recommends that Metro issue a new license to Far West Recycling to accept and process source-separated recyclable materials.



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Far West Recycling is located at 6440 SE Alexander Street in Hillsboro

## BACKGROUND

Metro is tasked with planning, management, and oversight of the region's solid waste system, and has an obligation to the public to ensure the waste intended for reuse, recycling and other purposes is handled properly and sent to appropriate markets, and that all other waste is safely managed and disposed.

Historically, Metro Code exempted from licensing certain material recovery facilities that exclusively receive non-putrescible source-separated recyclable materials that are collected through a curbside residential or commercial collection program. However, it was determined that collection methods, material composition, and market conditions for source-separated recyclable materials changed significantly since Metro initially established that regulatory exemption. These significant changes