

REGIONAL WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Worksheet

PRESENTATION DATE: July 15th 2021

TOPIC: Solid Waste System Facilities Plan

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RELATED REGIONAL WASTE PLAN GOALS: Ensure adequate infrastructure is in place to achieve goals identified in the Regional Waste Plan (RWP)

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION

- Review questions from last RWAC presentation on Metro's development of a Solid Waste System Facilities Plan including timeline and prepare for a future presentation once a draft SOW for consultant is finalized.

FEEDBACK FROM JUNE RWAC

- Linkage to policy work, reuse and extended producer responsibility
- Jurisdictions have ideas on groups and organizations for engagement
- Plan should consider future growth
- Depots should be considered

BACKGROUND

On Metro Council request, WPES has been asked to produce a long term plan to identify gaps and insufficiencies in the solid waste infrastructure needed to support the work of the Regional Waste Plan and anticipated needs over the next 15-20 year horizon. This work will build off the work done to develop the RWP and other documents such as the Solid Waste Roadmap projects, 2006 Metro Transfer System Ownership Study, 2015 Metro South Assessment and Metro's Strategic Asset Management plan. The plan will also look at financing options available to Metro Council to implement the plan.

PROGRESS TO DATE

Project development is in the early stages and have identified some key parameters.

This project will identify:

- The complete suite of facility-based services necessary for achieving the goals of the 2030 Regional Waste Plan (RWP).
- The current and anticipated gaps in regional solid waste facility services, based on racial equity and geographic proximity perspectives.

- Alternative pathways for filling, locating and financing those gaps over the next 15-20 years. For illustration purposes, these pathways could be: (1) fill gaps with public facilities only; (2) fill gaps with a combination of public and private facilities; (3) fill gaps with private facilities only (and sub-approach could be procurement, regulatory, free market or combination). Each pathway will include approaches for:
 - financing needed facilities and services
 - advancing progress toward RWP racial equity goals
 - advancing progress on RWP action 12.4 to implement sustainability practices in solid waste facilities

This project will not identify:

- Detailed financial pro formas on filling each identified service gap
- Detailed estimates of the costs of implementing non-facility based actions from the 2030 Regional Waste Plan

QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTIONS REQUESTED

- Is the framing of the Solid Waste System Facilities Plan adequate to capture the regions needs for infrastructure over the next 15-20 years?
- Are we missing any previous work that will be helpful in identifying gaps in the system?
- How would this group like to be updated and engaged through the development of the plan?

NEXT STEPS

- Develop SOW for consultant RFP

ATTACHMENTS

None