



Upcoming meetings and reminders

- Dec. 4, 2023, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Commingled Recycling Processing Facilities Technical Workgroup meeting ([Register in advance](#))
- Dec. 7, 2023, 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. | Recycling Council ([Register in advance](#))
- Jan. 31, 2024, 9:00 a.m. | Fourth Rulemaking Advisory Committee meeting ([Register in advance](#))
- Feb. 14, 2024, time TBD | Fifth Rulemaking Advisory Committee meeting

First Rulemaking Process

On Nov. 16, the Environmental Quality Commission adopted administrative rules related to the obligations of producer responsibility organizations, local government compensation, and recycling acceptance lists.

Final rule language, a summary of public comments, and DEQ response to those comments – showing changes made to the draft rules posted in May – are available on the [Environmental Quality Commission's website](#). Information about the process to develop the rules is posted on the [Recycling Updates 2023 rulemaking website](#).

Second Rulemaking Process

At its next meeting on Jan. 31, 2024, the Rulemaking Advisory Committee will discuss the fees producer responsibility organizations will pay to commingled recycling processors, covered product exemptions, and a few topics related to producer

responsibilities. For more information and to register to attend Rulemaking Advisory Committee meetings, visit the [Recycling 2024 Rulemaking website](#).

Recycling processing facilities

The technical workgroup related to commingled recycling processing facilities will meet on Dec. 4 from 12:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m. to continue discussions about details related to the permitting and certification program as well as the two fees that the producer responsibility organizations will pay to the processors. To register to attend the meeting, visit the [workgroup website](#).

Life cycle impact evaluation standards and methods

The Recycling Modernization Act requires producers to evaluate and disclose the life cycle impacts of covered products in some cases. Large producers, as well as all producers seeking to qualify for eco-modulated fee bonuses, will conduct life cycle evaluations.

DEQ is currently drafting standards and methods for producer life cycle impact evaluation. DEQ seeks additional input via a Request for Information, open through Dec. 15. For more information, visit the [Life Cycle Impact Evaluation website](#).

Recycling Council

The next meeting of Oregon's Recycling Council is Dec. 7 from 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. The Council agenda will include several topics such as the equity study, the program plan review process, specifically identified materials, and covered product exemptions. Public input is welcome during Recycling Council meetings! Please visit the [Recycling Council website](#) to register for meetings and view the agenda.



Learn more

Want to understand how the Recycling Modernization Act will change the future of recycling in Oregon? Start by viewing the videos on the main RMA [web page](#).

Reach out

Still have questions? We're here to help! Email the RMA team at RethinkRecycling@deg.oregon.gov.