

Oregon Recycling System Advisory Council

Meeting #1

Wednesday, 5/11/2022

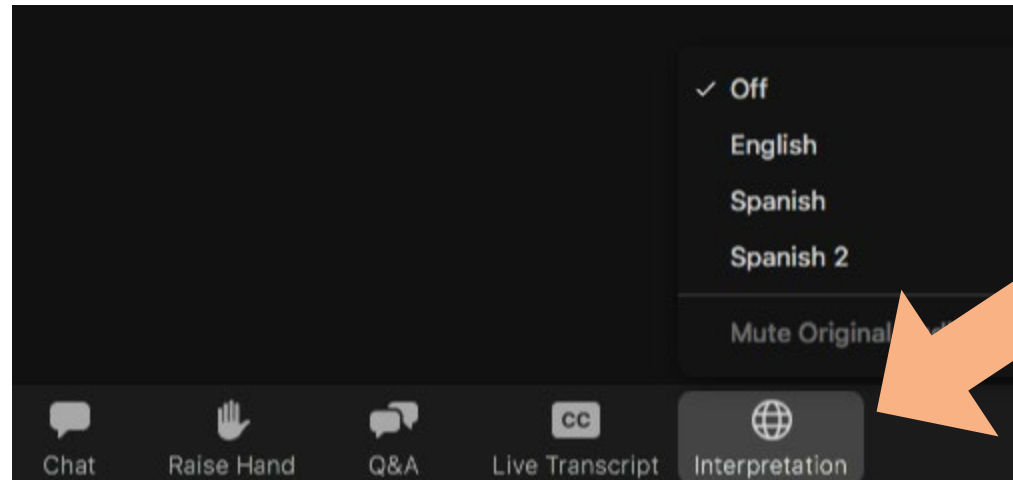
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Welcome



Interpretation

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Agenda

- Welcome, staff introductions
- Agenda, housekeeping, member introductions
- Recycling Modernization Act overview
- Review and adopt Council rules
- Election of chair and vice-chair
- Status updates – Rulemaking, material lists, Truth In Labeling Task Force
- Public input

Member introduction

Please take ONE minute to share

- Your name
- Who you represent
- What one thing excites you about the new Recycling Modernization Act



Oregon's Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act of 2021 (Senate Bill 582)

Presentation to the Oregon Recycling System Advisory Council
Cheryl Grabham, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
May 11, 2022



Modernizing Oregon's recycling system

2017-2018
National Sword:
International
recycling market
disruptions

2018-2020
Recycling
Steering
Committee

Late 2020
DEQ Legislative
Concept and
negotiations

**2021
Legislative
Session**
Additional
negotiations and
amendments
Bill passed in June
Gov. signed in
August

Recycling now...

Public confusion over what can be recycled

Inequities throughout the recycling system

Unstable markets, externalized costs of pollution, and challenging economics

More garbage and less recycling over time

No assurance of responsible recycling

And in the future...

More public education and one statewide collection list

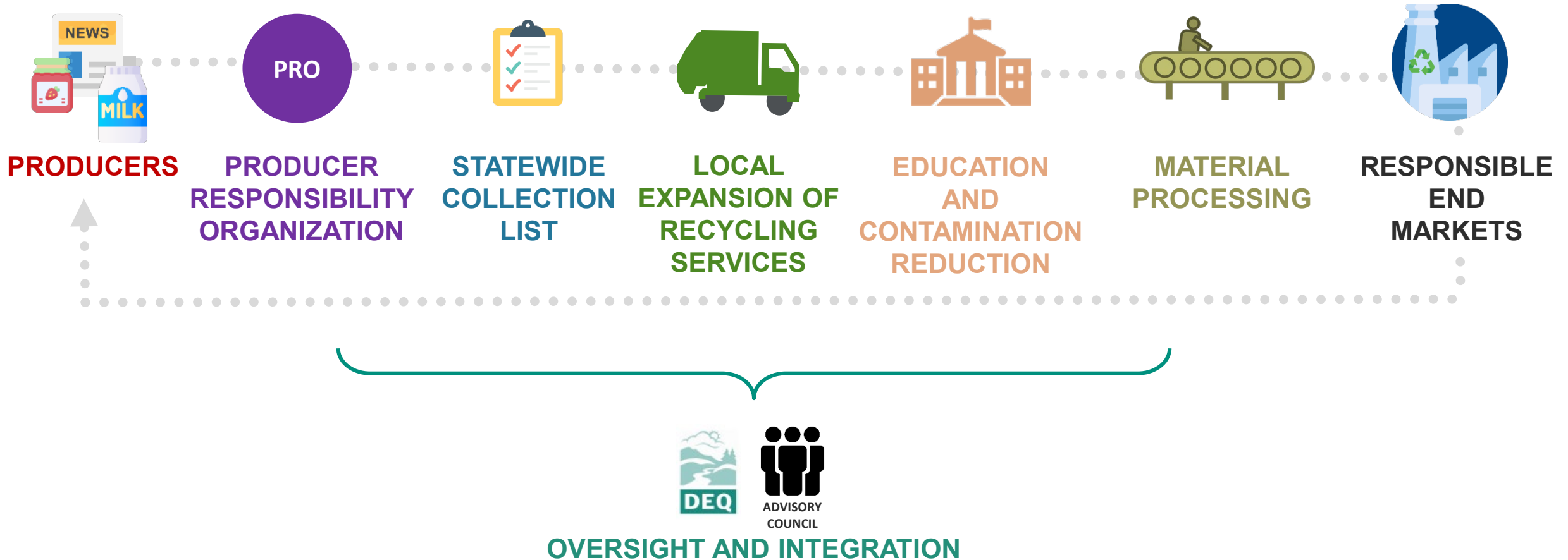
A system that meets the needs of unserved and underserved communities

Producers share responsibility with local governments and ratepayers

Recycling increases as it becomes easier and more accessible

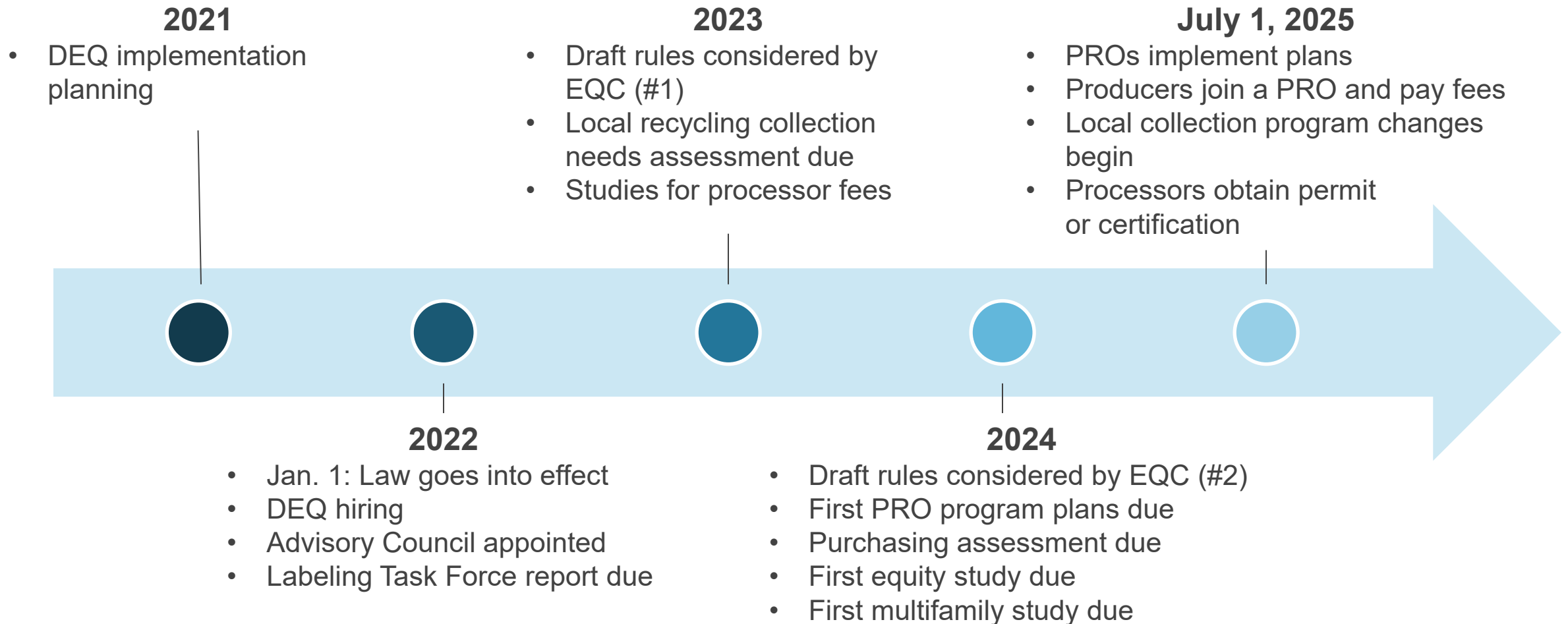
Oversight of producers and processors to ensure responsible recycling

Oregon Recycling Modernization Act: How it will work



Key dates

Stakeholder engagement, project planning and research extend throughout implementation.



Recycling Council overview

Ongoing

- Review activities related to sections 1 to 43 of the RMA
- Advise DEQ and PROs on issues related to the implementation of sections 1 to 43 of the RMA

2022 - ongoing

- Make recommendations to DEQ and PROs related to:
 - the establishment and maintenance of the material lists.
 - how PROs will distribute organization fees to local governments or local governments' service providers.

2024 - ongoing

- Review PRO program plans, plan amendments and program reports
- Make recommendations to DEQ and PROs on matters such as PRO program plans, program plan audits and reports.

2025 - ongoing

- Make recommendations to DEQ and PROs on statewide educational resources and campaigns.



Thank you!

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Council Rules



Election of Chair and Vice-Chair



Status updates

- Rulemaking
- Material list
- Truth In Labeling Task Force



Rulemaking at DEQ

A rule is an extension of law

A rule carries the power of law

Rules are proposed by DEQ,
adopted by the Environmental
Quality Commission



Rulemaking #1: Anticipated Topics

- PRO program plan and annual report content
- Coordination if multiple PROs
- DEQ's administrative fees
- Local government funding and reimbursement
- Materials Collection List



Recycling materials lists (ORS 459A.914)

Three lists:

- Local government collections (Opportunity to Recycle)
- Uniform statewide collection list (commingled-appropriate materials, a subset of list above)
- PRO obligations

Initial
rulemaking
anticipated
September 2023

- Rulemaking Advisory Committee later in 2022
- More Recycling Council consultation later in 2022 as well . . .

Recycling materials lists (ORS 459A.914)

Material lists will inform:

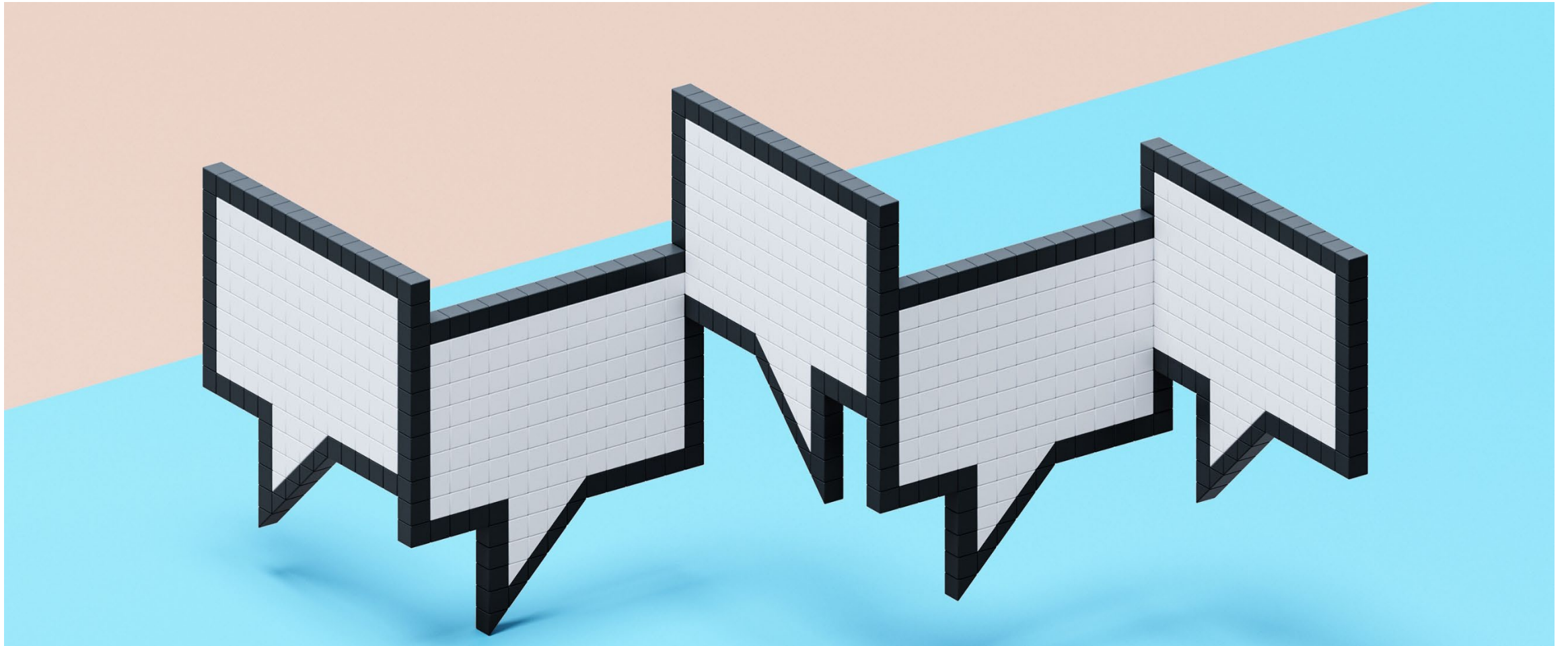
- Requirements of local governments, commingled processors and PROs
 - Definitions of “contamination”
 - Fees paid by PROs to commingled processors, and producers to PROs
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- Research to develop rule concepts:
 - See <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/recycling/Pages/Material-Lists.aspx>

Truth In Labeling

- Held meeting #6 (of 8) last Wednesday
- Accepting public input before meeting #7
 - Proposals on TIL website
- Final report due June 1, 2022



Public input



Next steps/homework

- **Keep an eye out for meeting information**
 - Recycling Council meets at least quarterly
 - First Legislative report due in Sept.
 - DEQ will work with the Chair and Vice-Chair to plan future meetings
- **Homework**
 - Sign up for GovDelivery to stay connected
 - Review the website - RecyclingAct.Oregon.gov