



Recycling Modernization Act

Stakeholder Engagement Opportunities

The Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act is effective on Jan. 1, 2022. Recycling program changes will begin in July 2025. The start-up phase will span multiple years with extensive planning, research, rulemaking and stakeholder engagement. DEQ will keep interested stakeholders informed and seek input through several different channels throughout that time.

General Information

Announcements and updates

Sign up for DEQ's GovDelivery email list:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/ORDEQ/subscriber/new?topic_id=ORDEQ_633.

Background information and FAQs

DEQ project website: ordeq.org/sb582.

General questions

Contact DEQ staff:

- For legislative inquiries and questions from other states – Abby Boudouris, abby.boudouris@deq.state.or.us, 971-803-2462
- For other general inquiries – Sanne Stienstra, sanne.stienstra@deq.state.or.us, 503-229-6494

Media inquiries

Contact Jennifer Flynt at jennifer.flynt@deq.state.or.us or 503-730-5924.

Public comment opportunities

There are several opportunities for interested stakeholders to provide input, both during the start-up phase and ongoing into program implementation:

- Rulemaking public comment periods – 2023 and 2024
- Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) program plan reviews – March 2024 and upon amendment
- PRO annual report reviews – Ongoing annually

Information about forthcoming public comment periods will be posted to DEQ's website: ordeq.org/sb582.

Rules Advisory Committees

Several required rulemakings will take place in 2023 and 2024. Rules Advisory Committees (RACs) provide technical or policy advice about proposed rules. The public can also attend RAC meetings.

- If you are interested in being considered for participation in a RAC, please complete this interest form: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/recycling/Pages/Stakeholder-Interest-Form.aspx>
- For more information about DEQ rulemaking, please visit this website: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/regulations/rulemaking/pages/default.aspx>

Other technical advisory groups

DEQ may convene technical advisory groups to provide input related to specific topics as needed. If you are interested in being considered for participation in a technical advisory group, please complete this interest form: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/recycling/Pages/Stakeholder-Interest-Form.aspx>

Governor-appointed committees

Truth in Labeling Task Force

The Truth in Labeling Task Force consists of 13 members appointed by the Governor, and two non-voting members of the Legislature. The task force will study and evaluate misleading or confusing claims regarding the recyclability of products made on a product or product packaging. The Task Force will meet between January and June 2022, and submit a report to the Oregon Legislature by June 1, 2022. The task force will elect a chairperson and will meet at times and places specified by the chairperson or a majority of voting members of the task force. The public can attend task force meetings.

Oregon Recycling System Advisory Council

The ORSAC consists of 17 members appointed by the Governor, and two non-voting members of the Legislature. The council will advise DEQ and the PROs on key system elements, including the uniform statewide collection list, PRO program plans, and more. The ORSAC will meet at least once every three months, and terms are three years in length. The public can attend council meetings.

Alternate formats

DEQ can provide documents in an alternate format or in a language other than English upon request. Call DEQ at 800-452-4011 or email deqinfo@deq.state.or.us.