



# Local Government Needs Assessment

## Materials Management Program

Jan. 12 and 24, 2023  
Zoom Presentation

# Introductions

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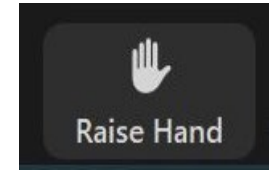
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# Zoom Tips

- 1 Join audio either by phone or computer, not both
- 2 Remain muted unless you are asking a question
- 3 Please hold questions until the end
- 4 During the Q&A, type your question in the chat or use the raise hand button to indicate you have a question; if by phone press \*9
- 5 Please add your organization/affiliation after your name



# Agenda

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- Plastic Pollution & Recycling Modernization Act (RMA)
  - Overview
  - How It Will Work, and Opportunities for Local Governments
- RMA: Needs Assessment
  - Completing the Survey
  - Survey Questions
- Needs Assessment Timeline & After the Needs Assessment
- Questions

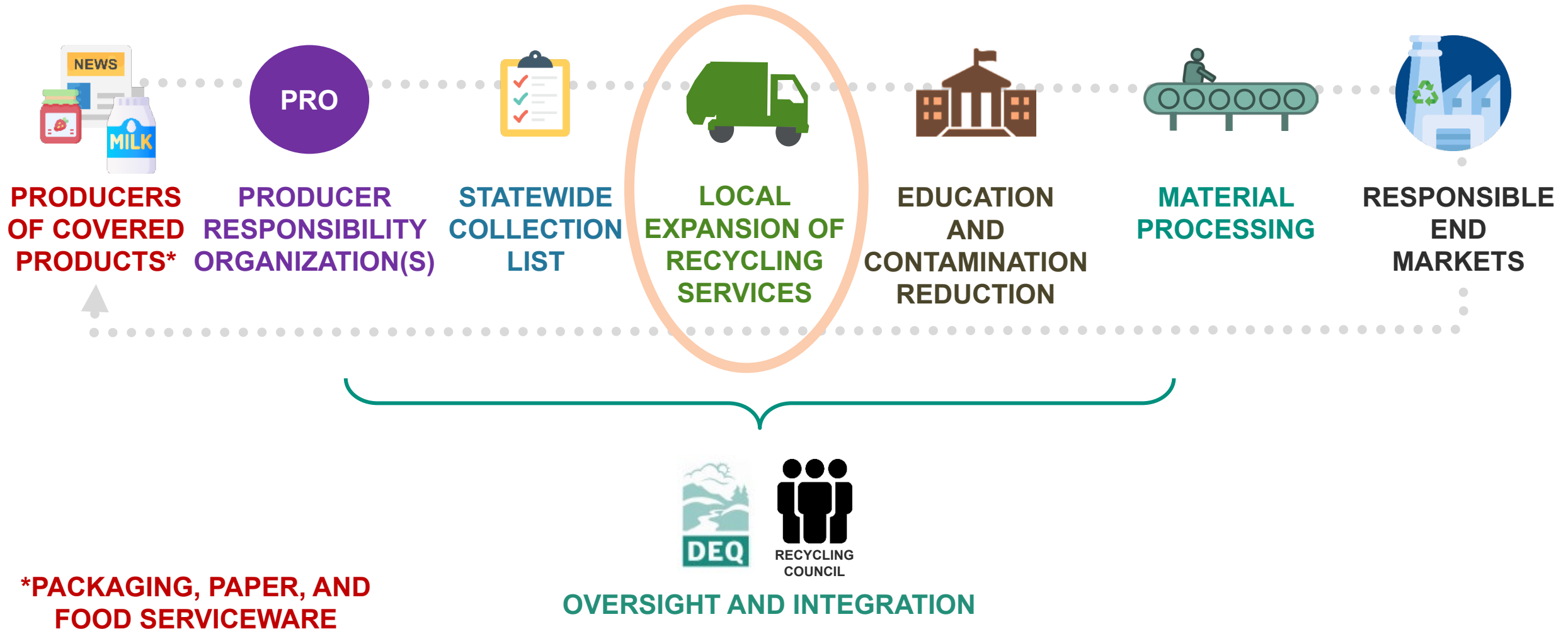


# Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act

- Senate Bill 582, 2021
- Shared responsibility
- New responsibilities for local governments, MRFs and producers
- Comprehensive reform and modernization
- New opportunities for local governments and service providers



# How It Will Work



**\*PACKAGING, PAPER, AND  
FOOD SERVICEWARE**



# RMA: Needs Assessment

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- Required by law (ORS 459A.890(8))
- Gauges interest in expanding recycling collection
- **Will be conducted periodically every few years**

# Needs Assessment Survey

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- Completing the survey is **voluntary**
- **The survey is separate from the RMA requirements**
- **To be eligible for the first round of funding, local governments must complete the survey indicating interest**



# Needs Assessment Survey

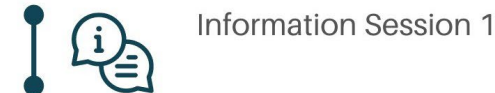
- Regional Specialists are available to assist!
- **Complete the survey by April 14 at 11:59pm PT**

## Key Dates for Needs Assessment Survey

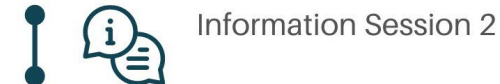
January 5, 2023



January 12, 2023



January 24, 2023



April 14, 2023



# Needs Assessment Survey

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- Local Governments and service providers\* should have received a link to the survey on **Jan. 5**
  - Link is to an online survey (SurveyMonkey)
  - Email included an attachment with the survey instructions & questions
- **A hardcopy version can be requested by:**
  - emailing [RethinkRecycling@deq.Oregon.gov](mailto:RethinkRecycling@deq.Oregon.gov)
  - calling your Regional Specialist

*\* Service providers were sent the survey for reference and to facilitate collaboration with Local Governments; the survey is for Local Governments to complete.*

# Needs Assessment Survey

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**If you did not receive the link to  
the survey, please email:**

**[julia.marsh@eunomia-inc.com](mailto:julia.marsh@eunomia-inc.com)**

# Completing the Survey

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- The survey can be submitted at any point before **April 14**
- You can **resubmit** if your answers change
- Local Governments are **strongly encouraged** to work with their service provider(s) to complete the survey.
- **A Local Government must submit its own survey. A survey submitted by a service provider does not qualify for funding eligibility.**

# Completing the Survey: Instructions for Counties

- Counties are asked to complete a survey on behalf of the county **and** on behalf of unincorporated areas.
- To complete the survey on behalf of multiple areas:

## 1. Identify the new or expanded recycling services needed in each area.

Example:

**Areas A and B** only want to open a new depot



**Areas C, D, and E** only want to expand curbside recycling

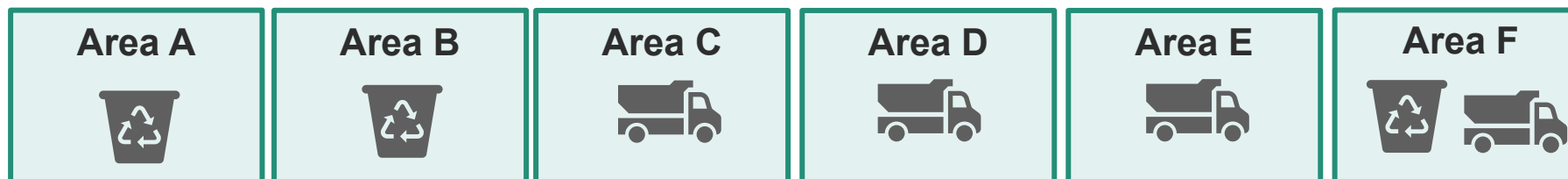


**Area F** wants to open a new depot & expand curbside recycling

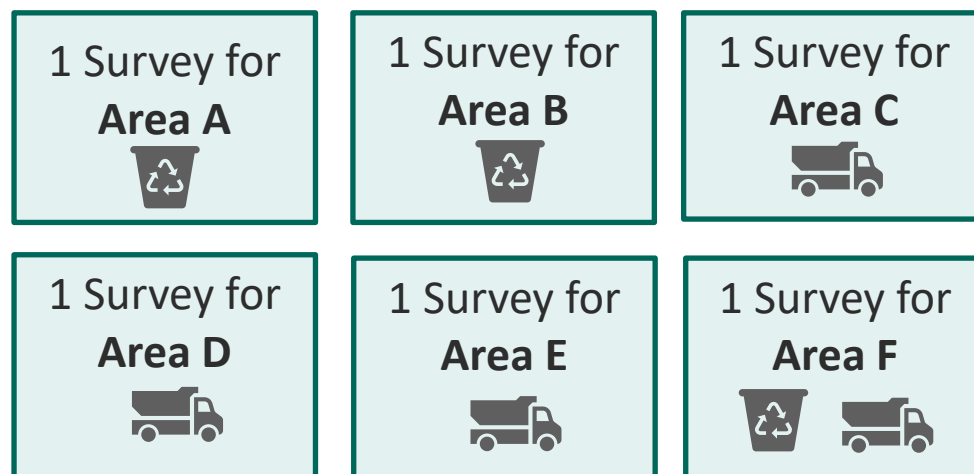


## 2. Submit either *individual* or *grouped* surveys

# Completing the Survey: Instructions for Counties



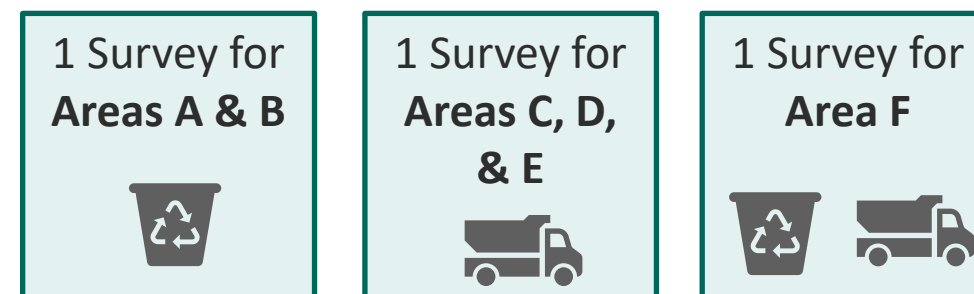
## Option 1: Individual Surveys



or

## Option 2: Grouped Surveys

For areas within the county that are requesting the same service(s).



# Survey Questions

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## Respondent Information

Name

Title

Local Government Name

Wasteshed / County Name

E-Mail

Phone Number

List service provider(s) that offer recycling services, if known



# Survey Questions

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Type of Area Served by the Request (select all that apply)

- ☐ City
- ☐ City urban growth area managed by the county
- ☐ County
- ☐ Unincorporated Area (please list)
- ☐ Other (please describe)

Population of area(s) served by the request

# Survey Questions

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What are the existing recycling services in your community?  
(select all that apply)

- ☐ Single-family on-route recycling collection
- ☐ Multifamily on-route recycling collection
- ☐ Commercial on-route recycling collection
- ☐ Recycling depot(s)
- ☐ Recycling reload facility
- ☐ None
- ☐ Other or unknown (please describe or explain)

# Survey Questions

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Is your jurisdiction interested in adding or expanding recycling services in 2025-2027?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If no, please explain your decision.

☐ Unsure

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Is your jurisdiction interested in adding or expanding recycling services in 2025-2027?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If no, please explain your decision.

☐ Unsure

Selecting “Yes” and completing the survey will make you eligible for funding.

If you select “Yes,” proceed to the next questions to select specific services.

# Survey Questions

Is your jurisdiction interested in adding or expanding recycling services in 2025-2027?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If no, please explain your decision.

☐ Unsure

Please confer with your service provider, wasteshed representative, or Regional Specialist before selecting “No.”

**Selecting “No” will make you ineligible for funding in this round.**

# Survey Questions

Is your jurisdiction interested in expanding recycling services in 2025-2027?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If no, please explain your decision.

☒ Unsure

**If you select “Unsure,” please contact your Regional Specialist to discuss the survey and your responses.**

**You can resubmit the survey as needed with an updated response.**

# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## Potential services include:

- **New or expanded on-route recycling collection**
- **New or expanded recycling depots**
- **New (if needed) or expanded recycling reload facility**

*Note: Any expansion of services identified will be accompanied by outreach, such as promotional literature, that will be covered by the PRO.*





# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## 1. New on-route recycling collection

- Example: startup expenses such as new trucks or containers.
- Ongoing operational costs will not be covered/reimbursable by the PRO

- ☐ Adding single-family route(s)
- ☐ Adding multifamily route(s)
- ☐ Adding commercial route(s)

# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## 2. Expanding on-route recycling collection to accommodate new materials

- Examples: expanding service to add new customers, increasing service collection, using more or larger containers in order to collect the uniform statewide collection list of materials
- Ongoing operational costs, including staffing, will not be covered/reimbursable by the PRO.

- ☐ Collection truck(s)
- ☐ Collection containers, roll carts or both
- ☐ On-board contamination monitoring equipment and software (for upgrading collection programs that do not already have equipment in place)
- ☐ Staff safety equipment (e.g., goggles, safety vests, work boots, etc.)
- ☐ Other (please describe)

# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## 3. New recycling depots

- ☐ **Collection containers**
- ☐ **Signage**
- ☐ **On-site monitoring equipment** (e.g., cameras to monitor for contamination or illegal dumping)
- ☐ **Equipment to move and load recyclables for shipment**
- ☐ **Equipment to compact and bale recyclables for shipment**
- ☐ **Hiring and training staff**
- ☐ **Staff safety equipment** (e.g., goggles, safety vests, work boots)
- ☐ **Ongoing operational costs, including staffing**
- ☐ **Land**
- ☐ **Storage**
- ☐ **Other** (e.g., paving, fencing, other improvements). **Please describe.**

# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## 4. Expanding existing recycling depots

- ☐ **Collection containers**
- ☐ **Signage**
- ☐ **On-site monitoring equipment** (e.g., cameras to monitor for contamination or illegal dumping)
- ☐ **Equipment to move and load recyclables for shipment**
- ☐ **Equipment to compact and bale recyclables for shipment**
- ☐ **Hiring and training staff**
- ☐ **Staff safety equipment** (e.g., goggles, safety vests, work boots)
- ☐ **Ongoing operational costs, including staffing**
- ☐ **Land**
- ☐ **Storage**
- ☐ **Other** (e.g., paving, fencing, other improvements). **Please describe.**

# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## 5. New recycling reload facility, if needed

A reload facility is a facility other than a recycling depot\* where recyclable materials are received, consolidated, and reloaded into larger containers or vehicles for transportation to a commingled recycling processing facility or responsible end market.

- ☐ **Yes**
- ☐ **No**
- ☐ **Unknown (please explain)**

*\* Depots and reload facilities are different types of operations, but they could be located on the same property or at the same facility*

# Survey Questions

If you selected “Yes” to Question #5, which service expansion is your jurisdiction requesting? (Select all that apply):

## 6. Expanding existing recycling reload facility

- ☐ Equipment to move and load recyclables for shipment
- ☐ Equipment to compact and bale recyclables for shipment
- ☐ Hiring of new staff, if needed, or expansion of staff hours
- ☐ On-site monitoring equipment (e.g., cameras to monitor for contamination or illegal dumping)
- ☐ Staff safety equipment (e.g., goggles, safety vests, work boots)
- ☐ Ongoing operational costs, including staffing
- ☐ Land
- ☐ Storage
- ☐ Other (e.g., paving, fencing, other improvements). **Please describe.**

# Survey Questions

Estimated number of new on-route recycling collection customers to be served, if applicable. Only provide this information if known.

- Single-family (households)
- Multifamily (units) \*
- Commercial

*\* If you can estimate number of multifamily properties but not units, please provide that information and indicate that it is for number of properties.*





# 2023 Needs Assessment Timeline



# After the Needs Assessment

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DEQ provides information to the PRO



PRO develops a program plan



DEQ reviews & approves the plan



PRO works with local governments & service providers to determine implementation of expansion services

# Regional Specialist Contact Information

## Eastern Region

Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Milton-Freewater, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco and Wheeler	Laurie Gordon	Office: 541-633-2029 Cell: 541-408-7842 <a href="mailto:Laurie.Gordon@deq.oregon.gov">Laurie.Gordon@deq.oregon.gov</a>
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## Northwest Region

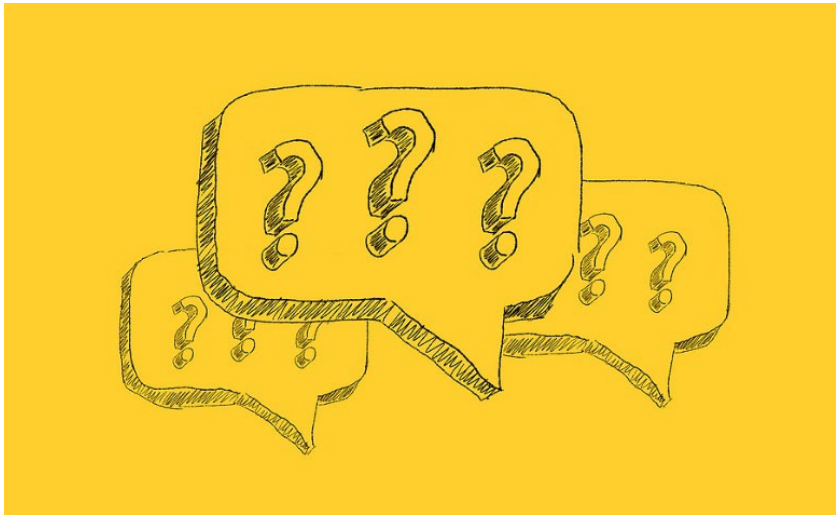
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# Questions?

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Please use the “Raise Hand” button or type your question in the chat. If you are calling in by phone, press \*9.

# Thank you!

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**For general inquiries:**

**[RethinkRecycling@deq.Oregon.gov](mailto:RethinkRecycling@deq.Oregon.gov)**

**For a link to the electronic survey and/or to be added to the distribution list:**

**[julia.marsh@eunomia-inc.com](mailto:julia.marsh@eunomia-inc.com)**

**You can also contact your Regional Specialist with questions.**