

Meeting Summary

Truth In Labeling Task Force

Meeting Summary: Meeting #7

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Zoom



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List of Task Force Members in attendance

- Athena Petty
- Commissioner Steve Kramer
- Dave Larmouth
- Dylan de Thomas (Chair)
- Kristan Mitchell
- Nicole Janssen
- Maya Buelow
- Shawn Miller
- Thomas Egleston
- William Posegate

DEQ Staff

- Alex Bertolucci
- Abby Boudouris
- David Allaway

Time*	Topic
2 p.m.	Welcome. The Chair welcomed attendees and reviewed the agenda. The Chair made a call for public input.
2:05 p.m.	Overview of public input For the hour preceding this meeting (1 p.m. – 2 p.m.) DEQ staff and several Task Force members held a public input session to accept public input on the current proposal. Alex Bertolucci, with DEQ, summarized the one spoken comment that Paloma Sparks of OBI provided. Paloma also submitted written input. Her remarks focused on a concern that labeling would impact those that sell into Oregon and California; that Oregon needs to wait and see how SB 343 affects Oregon; and confusion around the local government recycling lists. Alex next reviewed the overarching themes from the ten written comments received, which included: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concern around a misconception of a mandated do not recycle label.• Worry about mandated smart-label technology and the timeline for implementation.• Apprehension about the slash over the RIC and whether producers using that slash would comply with the 36 states that require the RIC.
2:15 p.m.	Discussion and editing of the joint proposal The Chair led Task Force members through the draft report asking for high-level edits or reorganization. The Task Force focused on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does the proposal concentrate too much on packaging vs. products?• Definitions included in the report• The accessibility and liability sections• General report layout• How to reduce confusion around producer options to label or not

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incorporating public input into the report• Provide comment on the 36 states requiring the RIC and how the proposal would affect them
3:35 p.m.	Public input Deb Carey with Coho Ecovillage in Corvallis.
3:45 p.m.	Next steps. Task Force members were asked to submit written edits by noon on Thursday, May 19, for compilation in advance of the optional work session on Friday, 5/20.
3:50 p.m.	Adjourn.

*All times listed are approximate

List of attendees

Aaron Donley Waste Connections
Akimi Murata-Chambers Republic Services
Andrea Fogue Oregon Refuse And Recycling Association
Beth Vargas Duncan
Brennan Georgianni
Carol Patterson
Cat Rhoades Oregon DEQ
Cathy Brown Oregon DEQ
Colette Bazirgan
Dakota Tangredi Marion County Environmental Services
David Thorp American Beverage Association
Deb Carey Corvallis Sustainability Coalitions
Greg Ryan Pioneer Recycling
Janine Bogar
Jeff Murray Efi Recycling
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Jennifer Olson
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Meredith Shield
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