

Other Resources for Information about Waste and Pollution Prevention, Recycling, and Reuse

California Air Resources Board

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The mission of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) is to promote and protect public health, welfare and ecological resources through the effective and efficient reduction of air pollutants while recognizing and considering the effects on the economy of the state. The CARB produces fact sheets, brochures, and videos in such areas as the following: air pollutants, air toxics, asbestos, bicycles, consumer products, diesel topics, energy, fuels, general topics, health, marine engines, permitting activities/certifications, seminars, small off-road engines, and vehicles.

California Department of Conservation, Division of Recycling

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www.consrv.ca.gov/DOR/index.htm

The Division of Recycling (DOR) administers the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, that was enacted in 1986. The main goal of the Act is to achieve and maintain high recycling rates of the beverage containers covered in the Act. The DOR provides enforcement, auditing, grant funding, technical assistance, and education to achieve these goals. This Division also seeks to implement programs to achieve sustainable containers, packaging materials and systems.

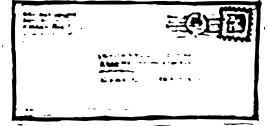
California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)

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DTSC's mission is to restore, protect and enhance the environment to ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality, by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.

California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB)

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The CIWMB's mission is to protect the public health and safety and the environment through waste prevention, waste diversion, and safe waste processing and disposal. It is designated to oversee, manage, and track the tons of waste generated by California each year.

The Board promotes a sustainable environment where these resources are not wasted but can be reused or recycled in partnership with all California. In addition to many innovative programs and incentives, the Board promotes the use of new technologies for the practice of diverting California's resources away from landfills.

The Integrated Waste Management Board is comprised of six Board members. Four members are appointed by the Governor, two of whom represent the public. One member represents industry, and one represents the environmental community. One member is appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and one is appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

The Board provides grants and loans to help California cities, counties, businesses, and organizations meet the State's waste reduction, reuse, and recycling goals. It also provides funds to clean up solid waste disposal sites and co-disposal sites (those accepting both hazardous waste substances and nonhazardous waste). These funds are available where the responsible party cannot be identified or is unable or unwilling to pay for a timely remediation and where cleanup is needed to protect public health and safety or the environment.

The Board also develops and promotes alternatives to the illegal disposal of used oil; develops technical standards and permit requirements for waste tire facilities; promotes reuse and recycling of electronic devices, and encourages purchasing of environmentally preferable devices.

FOR BUSINESSES

The **Business Waste Reduction Resource Index** provides answers and resources to assist businesses address waste reduction issues.



The **Waste Prevention Information Exchange** is a directory of informational resources on waste prevention organized alphabetically into numerous categories.

Through the **Waste Prevention and Recycling at the Office** website, the Integrated Waste Management Board provides tips and guidance to businesses for implementing the “reduce, reuse, and recycle” philosophy.

The CIWMB offers assistance to businesses that use recycled materials and fosters recycling markets. It also promotes the efficient collection and recycling of secondary materials into high quality value-added products. Among the resources it offers to businesses are the following: **Business Waste Reduction** (www.ciwmb.ca.gov/BizWaste/), a directory of waste prevention information for businesses.

Through the **Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Program**, the CIWMB offers below market rate loans to qualified recycling-based businesses. A business may receive up to \$2 million or 75 percent of a project’s costs, whichever is less.

The **California Materials Exchange (CALMAX)** is a free, on-line catalog that contains listings of wanted and available materials for reuse and recycling. It is designed to help businesses, schools, nonprofit agencies, and other organizations find markets for non-hazardous materials that have traditionally been discarded. To access the catalog, visit: www.ciwmb.ca.gov/CalMAX/

The CIWMB maintains a **Recycled Content Products Directory** (RCP) database that lists thousands of products that contain recycled content. It can be accessed through the Internet at www.ciwmb.ca.gov/RCP/. If you have any questions, please call (916) 341-6606.

The R-Team (Referral Team) serves as a point of contact for people interested in the services of the Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Program. The R-Team identifies, targets, and assists businesses that have the potential of manufacturing products using recycled materials.

FOR RESIDENCES

The CIWMB has several resources to help people reduce, reuse, and recycle.

Waste reduction: In terms of packaging, the CIWMB recommends buying food in large quantities or in bulk, purchasing products that use less packaging, and taking steps to prevent the receipt of junk mail.

Reuse: The CIWMB provides tips on substituting reusable items for consumable items and on finding uses for things discarded and references the following databases for reuse options: the Electronics Product

Management Directory, the Construction and Demolition Debris Recyclers Directory, and the California Materials Exchange (CALMAX).

Recycle: The CIWMB’s website provides links to resources that identify places where batteries, beverage containers, construction and demolition debris, electronics, and used motor oil can be recycled. It also provides information on composting and vermicomposting.

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Finally, the CIWMB maintains on its website, the **RecycleStore**. This “store” contains listings of products made of recycled content and contact information on the manufacturers of such products. The RecycleStore can be accessed at: www.ciwmb.ca.gov/RecycleStore/

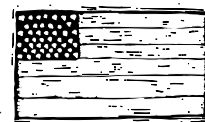
Californians Against Waste (CAW)

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Californians Against Waste (CAW) is a nonprofit environmental organization that lobbies on legislation and policy initiatives at the local, state, and federal levels pertaining to recycling, waste prevention, and pollution prevention. CAW also sells or provides free of charge several publications in these areas.

United States Environmental Protection Agency

Office of Solid Waste (5305 West)
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www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/reduce/catbook/the12.htm



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency publishes a Consumer Handbook for Reducing Solid Waste that offers tips on reducing solid waste based on the following four principles:

REDUCE the amount of trash discarded;

REUSE containers and products;

RECYCLE materials, use recycled materials, and purchase products containing recycled content; and

RESPOND to the solid waste problem by avoiding waste generating activities and expressing preferences for less waste.