

# Western Region Solid Waste Capacity Study Meeting

POLICY ADVISORY GROUP

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

# Agenda

- ▶ Introductions
- ▶ Role of the Policy Advisory Group
- ▶ Future Communications
- ▶ Draft Solid Waste Management Survey Discussion
- ▶ Needs Assessment Technical Report Outline
- ▶ Discussion of Local Program Updates
- ▶ Next Steps

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# Role of the Policy Advisory Group

- ▶ Assist in guiding the development of the Study and providing important feedback to the Project Team
  - ▶ Review Solid Waste Management Survey questions and provide comments
  - ▶ Review DRAFT reports and make recommendations
  - ▶ Attend approximately 6 meetings during the development of the Study which is expected to be completed by May 2021
- ▶ Communicate information about the Study to city/county management and elected officials
- ▶ Meet with the Project Team to discuss city or county specific programs & policies

# Future Communications

- ▶ Goal is continuous input from local government stakeholders
  - ▶ Periodic meetings
  - ▶ Web Page
  - ▶ Survey
  - ▶ Report Presentations
  - ▶ One-on-one meetings

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# Survey

- ▶ Purpose of the Survey
  - ▶ To understand waste generation patterns in the Western Region
  - ▶ To establish local waste generation rates
  - ▶ To identify programs where there are opportunities for future regionalization
  - ▶ To understand local government's interest and concerns regarding regional approaches

# Survey

- ▶ Using Survey Monkey Format
- ▶ Questions –
  - ▶ Are there additional questions you would like asked?
  - ▶ Are there data that will not be easy to compile?
  - ▶ To whom should it be directed within your organizations?
  - ▶ Is the format easy to follow?

# Needs Assessment Technical Report

- Outline
  - ▶ Introduction
  - ▶ Western Region Characteristics
    - ▶ Demographics & Employment
- Waste Generation
  - ▶ Single Family, Multi-family & Commercial Sectors
  - ▶ Generation rates from Survey
  - ▶ Waste Projections
- Solid Waste Management Facilities
  - ▶ Recycling, Organics, Transfer Stations, Citizen Convenience Stations & Landfills

# Needs Assessment Technical Report

- Waste Management Practices in the Western Region (data from survey)
  - ▶ Services provided
  - ▶ Waste flows
- Haul Analysis
  - ▶ Cities to existing facilities
- Western Region Characteristics Related to Future Management & Facilities
  - Climate
  - Regulatory issues & facility site selection
- Conclusions



# Discussion of Local Program Updates

Open forum

# Next Steps

- ▶ Address Survey Comments
- ▶ Issue Survey to local governments
- ▶ Finalize Needs Assessment Report
- ▶ Start one-on-one interviews
- ▶ Draft Options Report

# Questions or Comments

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