

Policy Committee Meeting 9.7.23

Join us to discuss Recycle Colorado's Policy for 2024!

Our 2024 policy working groups have been researching and discussing options for the 2024 legislative session. Short narratives about each are attached (and linked below). Please review these and join us at the September 7th policy committee meeting. We will be making motions and voting on what to work on for 2024, so please be sure you either attend the meeting or provide your feedback via the survey (link below).

2024 Policy Recommendations

[EPR Implementation](#)

[RREO Reauthorization & Surcharge Map](#)

[EPR for Batteries](#)

[Waste Tire Reauthorization](#)

How will the meeting go?

We will start the September 7th Policy Committee meeting at 1:30pm. This meeting will be an additional 30 minutes to accommodate the robust discussions we will have.

Each of our policy working groups will be giving a 10 minute presentation on their legislative idea. Following the presentations, we will have a discussion and get any questions answered. Once the discussion period is complete, any policy committee member can then make a motion for Recycle Colorado to pursue any of the 4 legislative ideas. Multiple motions can be made to support multiple legislative priorities. Once all motions have been made, then the motion(s) will go to a vote to our sector reps. If we do not have enough sector reps in the meeting, the vote will go offline to them and we will report back on what is decided.

2024 Policy Recommendation Survey

If you will not be in attendance at the September 7th policy committee meeting, but would like to provide feedback, you can fill out the survey linked below. Please complete this survey BEFORE the

September 7th meeting. If you provide feedback after the meeting, it will not be included or discussed since we will be making motions and voting at the meeting.

[Survey on 2024 policy](#)

Meeting Information

All policy committee members should be on the calendar invite and have access to the meeting information (included below as well). If you do not see this on your calendar, please reach out to Ally.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85055441273?pwd=Mk1mTUUp1Y2lyYkQ5L2VPcTdpbWpSUT09>

Meeting ID: 850 5544 1273

Passcode: 80112

If you have any questions ahead of the meeting, please feel free to reach out to me or Brandy Moe (brandymoe701@gmail.com). We look forward to the feedback from all of you wonderful policy committee members.

Thank you!

9.7.23 - Notes - Nicolas Wilson

- Intro: Brandy - Introduced the Policy Board Members

Presenters & Topics:

- Rachel Setzke - EPR Implantation - Tours Planned
- Dan Matsch - RREO Reauthorization
- Liz Mauro - EPR Batteries
- Nick Wilson & Ryan Call - End of Life Tire Solution

Questions & Discussions

Caroline Mitchell

Q: What is the program in place?

A: The rebate program is ending in 2025. The rebate is per ton used by the manufacturers. Fee on tires to regulate and help clean up tire dumps.

Tiering breakdown of rebate amounts

Per ton rebate for 2023

Tier 1

Tire-derived fuel, crumb rubber

Per ton rate: \$80

Tier 2

Molded products, rubber mulch

Per ton rate: \$40

Tier 3

Waste tire bales, alternative daily cover, civil engineering

Per ton rate: \$20

Waste tire hauler rebate

\$20 per ton

Q: What states have the programs in place?

A: CA, Arizona, Michigan

Q: What kind of study?

A: It is not fully defined, but we need to develop this further out.

Q: What legislature is supporting this?

A: Senator Cuter, Senator Prioloa, Senator Chris Hansen, Senator Winter,

Dan Matsch

Q: Clarify what the action items are? Would there need to be a follow up bill?

A: Extend the bill, do a study, and help change the criteria for use and who gets the funding. IE not the cement kilns

Jace Driver

Comment: TDF is not recycling but tire derived fuel.

Mark Angerhofer

Q: FRWD or RREO - Why cannot these grants be used on a lease for a property?

A: It is tough sell to fund operational costs through these grants.

Liz Mauro

Q: Tires need more love. We only use tires as ADC because there is no outlet for them, and we have to do something with them. What other products could tires be utilized for?

A: Injection molding, RMA, textiles, Steel,

Jonathan Wachtel

Q: Has FC run into any insurance coverage issues? Sometimes those types of rules make it so that homeowner's loose coverage or don't receive enough of a payout to cover replacement costs...after the boulder county fires there were similar issues with the costs of meeting new building codes when rebuilding?

A: The insurance companies are on board with this. This reduces their cost.

Dan Matsch

Q: Can we support one bill as an association?

A: We have no obligation to support any bill. We have to be realistic with our bandwidth. Run one bill maybe and support EPR. We probably will not have support for two bills.

CC4CA could help support other bills if RC cannot support everything we would like.

Jonathan Wachtel

Q: How much work is needed for EPR or their Bills

A: EPR - could be a lot if the wheel is recreated

A: Tires - reauthorization is easier with little time needed

A: RREO - super easy, with a new surcharge and a much bigger lift.

A: EPR for Batteries - It is a heavy lift

Kwesi Obika

Q: EPR - How will this affect low-income families. Paint, electronics, packages.

A: This is for packaging. Bottles, cans, etc. This would allow free access for all recycling.

Tara Tull

Q: Is the EPR going to happen one way or another? Is tires or batteries a separate program?

A: Yes, these new proposals would be separate from the EPR

Jonathan Wachtel

Comment: In other states there is a parent EPR with groups under it to support the different sectors.

Caroline

Q: Do we have a system where folks on this call could share perspectives on prioritization?

A: We can submit a quick poll for prioritization

Jonathan Wachtel

Comment: Batteries and Tires seem more important to him.

Suzanne Jones

Comment: Straw poll for the EPR

Dan Matsch

Comment: Second priority - makes a motion for RREO

Jonathan Watchel

Comment: Makes motion for EPR batteries.

Ryan Call

Comment: Makes a motion to explore reauthorization of the tire bill and to explore the a bill to make the funding structure more optimal for the circular tire economy.

Chat from the call

Ally Byzewski (She/Her) Recycle Colorado to Everyone 1:40 PM

Link to EPR Implementation Information:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1w7jSxc_sXsdCU2yhGzq1hxkmc2ORpwMq/view?usp=share_link

Ally Byzewski (She/Her) Recycle Colorado to Everyone 1:47 PM

RREO Reauthorization Information:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a30Pc2GujVNFibQuKZ2aTdXVLaHD5a82/view?usp=share_link

Surcharge Map:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Jv-4St8ITmnVouatPAat-7LlR9BmJCR3G/view?usp=share_link

Jonathan Wachtel (he/him), Lakewood, CO to Everyone 1:50 PM

Sorry I'm late!

Ally Byzewski (She/Her) Recycle Colorado to Everyone 1:53 PM

Batteries Information:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17e7W9v1Je1QszDz2iKapHxNwyVHu6eh0/view?usp=share_link

More on Tire Reauthorization:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1B0wmAfa8rSKWDczt3x6El5BMNfp-jt6N/view?usp=share_link

Jonathan Wachtel (he/him), Lakewood, CO to Everyone 2:05 PM

Are there models from other states for better tire waste management?

Rachel Setzke, Eco-Cycle (she/her) to Everyone 2:07 PM

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Jace Driver - CDPHE to Everyone 2:12 PM

Here's tire reporting info for anyone interested:

<https://cdphe.colorado.gov/hm/waste-tire-status-report>

TDF is not recycling, but it is rebate eligible.

Rachel Setzke, Eco-Cycle (she/her) to Everyone 2:14 PM

Jace - what is TDF?

Jace Driver - CDPHE to Everyone 2:14 PM

Tire derived fuel

Jonathan Wachtel (he/him), Lakewood, CO to Everyone 2:15 PM

Free trees and tire swings for all children in Colorado!

Jenifer Freeman to Everyone 2:16 PM

@Jonathan Wachtel (he/him), Lakewood, CO Plant more trees!

Kendra Appelman-Eastvedt - CDPHE to Everyone 2:17 PM

State of Colorado fiscal rules prohibit funding leases, rent, or the purchase of real property.

Yes, that rule applies across the board.

Rachel Setzke, Eco-Cycle (she/her) to Everyone 2:18 PM

Mark, welcome to the group! Producer Responsibility law:

https://leg.colorado.gov/sites/default/files/2022a_1355_signed.pdf also check out RC's website www.RecyclingForAllColoradans.org for information on the law. Cannabis packaging is exempt from the law since it is regulated like other medication so not sure if there is a tie in there.

typo in our website: <https://www.recyclingforallcoloradans.org/>

Mark Angerhofer, Viable Fiber (he/him) to Everyone 2:22 PM

Thanks Kendra for answering my question. Do you have a reference for that fiscal rule?

Rachel Setzke, Eco-Cycle (she/her) to Everyone 2:22 PM

Shingles are a top priority on the Circular Economy Center webpage:

<https://circularcolorado.org/#:-:text=across%20the%20board.-,Circular%20Economy%20Development%20Center,using%20materials%20that%20Coloradans%20recycle.>

Jenifer Freeman to Everyone 2:24 PM

Circular Colorado is close if not already there on a circular system for asphalt shingles without legislation

Jonathan Wachtel (he/him), Lakewood, CO to Everyone 2:26 PM

Has FC run into any insurance coverage issues? Sometimes those types of rules make it so that homeowners lose coverage or don't receive enough of a payout to cover replacement costs...after

the boulder county fires there were similar issues with the costs of meeting new building codes when rebuilding.

Jamie Harkins, Boulder to Everyone 2:29 PM

Same Carolyn!

Jenifer Freeman to Everyone 2:29 PM

Thanks Caroline!

Caroline Mitchell (she / her) - City of Fort Collins to Everyone 2:31 PM

super helpful context, Liz!

Jenifer Freeman to Everyone 2:41 PM

Welcome, Kwesi!!!

Liz Chapman (She), Recycle Colorado to Everyone 2:42 PM

CDPHE will be studying batteries in the upcoming year and that information could inform battery EPR legislation when it is finished.

Mellik Gorton - CDPHE he/him to Everyone 2:43 PM

For Kwesi, here is more info on paint recycling in Colorado:

<https://www.paintcare.org/states/colorado/> ;

<https://cdphe.colorado.gov/paint-stewardship-recycling>

Caroline Mitchell (she / her) - City of Fort Collins to Everyone 2:43 PM

Do we have a system where folks on this call could share perspectives on prioritization?

Caroline Mitchell (she / her) - City of Fort Collins to Everyone 2:51 PM

For what it's worth, here is my perspective as of now

- 1) support packaging EPR as a top priority
- 2) tire reauthorization either alone or with study as time / political feasibility allows. Seems like at least a risk to lose the fee on them and the staff time to make sure they're cleaned up / managed.
- 3) RREO either run by us or (hopefully) supporting CC4CA in running it
- 4) keep working on battery EPR as a potential priority next year, incorporating the work CDPHE is doing this year

Jamie Harkins, Boulder to Everyone 2:52 PM

I (Boulder) agree with Carolyn's prioritization. EPR is absolutely the top priority to us.

Liz Mauro, South Canyon Landfill to Everyone 2:55 PM

Just want to chime in, as someone who deals with both, I would prioritize batteries over tires. the fire risk in the trash is huge, and the current way we're dealing with tires is stable for us at the moment.

Jamie Harkins, Boulder to Everyone 2:56 PM

I was thinking the same as Carolyn—I do not have a good grasp on what kind of advocacy EPR JBC approval will require

You to Everyone 2:57 PM

Give Tires Some Love

Jonathan Wachtel (he/him), Lakewood, CO to Everyone 2:58 PM

four motions...but so many more emotions

Rachel Roussel-Diamond (She/her) to Everyone 3:00 PM

Thank you!

Liz Mauro, South Canyon Landfill to Everyone 3:00 PM

have to say bye, thank you all for doing this!!!

Rachel Zero win, HC3 to Everyone 3:02 PM

Need to leave. 1) EPR 2) RREO 3) tires 4) batteries, we will communicate with our sector rep
Thank you all!!!!!!

Ryan Call, Eco-Cycle (he/him) to You (Direct Message) 3:03 PM

Are we making a motion? Should I or you?

Suzanne Jones to Everyone 3:03 PM

Gotta run to a 3:00!

Dan Matsch, Eco-Cycle (he/him) to Everyone 3:05 PM

I move that the Policy Committee recommends RREO Reauthorization as a priority bill for the 2024 legislative session. The bill should include raising the landfill surcharge from \$0.14/CY to \$0.28/CY and tie further adjustments to the state CPI, prescribing a streamlined application and reporting process for more accessibility, and finding a path for allowing multi-year proposals.

Tara Tull, volunteer to Everyone 3:05 PM

I love the idea of a battery bill, but think we should wait till after the study.

Jenifer Freeman to Everyone 3:05 PM

agreed, Tara

Kendra Appelman-Eastvedt - CDPHE to Everyone 3:06 PM

Thanks all!

Liz Chapman (She), Recycle Colorado 3:06 PM

I'm late to my next meeting. Thanks everyone!