

Apr 4, 2024 | 📅 Policy Committee Meeting

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Agenda for April 1st Policy Committee Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions

Notes/ Updates:

2. Producer Responsibility Updates

1. JBC presentation and decision (Randy)

Proposal was to go with the middle scenario. When the JBC was supposed to vote, a snowstorm delayed it. Then an issue came up with the State Budget process. Indications are the vote will be favorable when they get back to it.

2. Rule making (Liz)

Final rulemaking looks like May. Comments due to CDPHE by April 8th. Submit comments by Monday the 8th. Recycle Colorado will hold roundtable discussions. April 25th.

Notes/ Updates:

Jenifer Freeman: Conference committee early next week. The EPR vote looks like middle to late next week. April 10-12th.

Jonathan Wachtel: Can Recycle Colorado breakdown what this means to municipalities, counties, public, and private haulers. Answer: (Liz Chapman) it is going to be hard to interpret how this is going to affect each sector.

Answer: (Randy) A lot has yet to be determined.

3. C3E (merger of RREO and FRWD) bill update (Randy and Liz)

Notes/ Updates:

The department and bill sponsors update if it will begin in the House.

Rachel Rouseel-Diamond: Since the early draft in February there has been another conversation with stakeholders. We are lining up testimony. There has been great feedback from Recycle Colorado. It may be introduced later in April.

4. SB24-123 Waste Tires (Liz)

Note/ Updates:

Liz Chapman - it has been sent to appropriations. No major objections. It should pass through. One amendment is prioritizing keeping the tires in circulation for reuse, another amendment is there is not a sunset date. The A.G. office says that enterprise funds should not have a sunset date. Waiting to be heard from the Senate Appropriations.

Caroline Mitchell: Question - where did the enterprise fund not sunset come from?

Answer (Liz Chapman): Enterprises are supposed to operate as government owned businesses so they should not have sunset.

Answer (Rachel Roussel-Diamond): I am unaware of this, but will follow up with the A.G. office

5. HB24-1069 Vapes bill (Rachel)

Notes/ Updates:

It is waiting to go to the house. It is stalled right now. Should we suggest using FRWD as a revenue source for the study?

Shelly Fuller: How would RREO help with this? Answer: Grant funds could be used for a study.

The cost for a study is estimate at around \$100k

The organics management plan study was \$300k

There seems to be general support for grant funds to be utilized for this. We do not know if it is possible with the current merger of RREO & FRWD.

6. HB24-1121 Electronic Equipment Right to Repair (Randy)

Notes/ Updates:

R.C. is supporting this. It says that manufacturers would be required to provide parts, tools, and resources for independent owners so the product does not have to go back to the manufacturer.

No questions

7. Policy Retreat Agenda

Notes/ Updates:

Monday, June 3rd 1-5pm

Registrations for the Summitt are open, agenda is being finalized, sponsorships are open,

Reviewing the new committee processes

Working Groups: Materials, C&D, Organics

Review the strategic plan

Set the strategy for 2025

Roundtables for policy

Rachel Setzke: working groups first or the strategic plan first?

Scott Hutchings: Is the strategic plan on the website? Answer: We can send it out ahead of time or put it on the website. I would recommend discussing the EPR

Randy Moorman next steps after the organics management plan is in place

June 4-5ths is the main Summitt

Any other questions? No

