



2019 Summit for Recycling
June 9-11 | Pueblo Convention Center
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Sunday, June 9

Round Table

2:00PM - 3:00PM **How to Increase Bottle Recycling Without a Bottle Bill**

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Networking

5:00PM - 7:00PM Business Partner Showcase Welcome Reception

For conference attendees - Network with the Recycle Colorado Board of Directors and staff, sponsors, exhibitors and local dignitaries in the Business Partner Showcase. Light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments provided.

Monday, June 10

Plenary

7:00AM - 8:00AM Breakfast

Special Presentation: How the Colorado Legislative Session Works and How Recycle Colorado is Involved in Shaping Policy for Recycling

8:00AM - 9:30AM **Welcome Remarks**

Speaker: Nicholas Gradisar, Mayor of Pueblo

Opening Keynote – Plastics and Sustainability

Speaker: King Soopers Representative

Concurrent Break-outs

9:45AM - 11:45AM **Recycling 101**

An industry training and overview of single-stream recycling for those new to recycling and sustainability or those who want to understand more than just one sector of the industry.

9:45AM - 11:45AM **Local Policy – A Tool to Increase Recycling**

Understand how to utilize local policy to advance recycling infrastructure and end markets in your community.



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9:45AM - 11:45AM **What's Happening with C&D in Colorado**
Construction and demolition materials make up from 20-80 percent of the waste going to Colorado landfills. Learn about the new projects and programs in Colorado addressing this issue.

9:45AM - 11:45AM **Solutions for Plastics #3-#7**
Learn what research and findings have happened since the 2018 Summit. What is the outlook for plastics #3-7 and what are the solutions in or coming to Colorado?

Luncheon Plenary

12:00PM - 1:00PM Lunch

12:30PM - 1:30PM **Plenary - End Markets**

Networking

1:30PM - 2:30PM Business Partner Showcase

Concurrent Break-outs

2:30PM - 4:30PM **Action Group Update: Glass & Multifamily Recycling**
Learn about the two pilot programs Recycle Colorado has launched to increase single-stream recycling and glass collection.

2:30PM - 4:30PM **How to Apply for Grants in Colorado**

2:30PM - 4:30PM **Recycle Colorado's Materials Platform**
An overview of the new materials platform designed to facilitate the diversion, recovery, repurposing and remanufacturing of materials in Colorado. Learn why it's an important tool and how to use it.

2:30PM - 4:30PM **What is the Public's Perception of Recycling?**
This session will address both the confusion and misperceptions the public has about recycling and what we can do about it.

Networking

6:00PM - 10:00PM **Recycling Awards Gala**
Recycle Colorado's Recycling Awards party-style fundraiser at Brues Alehouse on the Riverwalk recognizes the 2019 recycling award recipients. Dinner and entertainment provided. Cost: \$65. Space is limited; tickets must be purchased in advance.



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Tuesday, June 11

7:00AM - 8:00AM Continental Breakfast

Tours

- 7:30AM - 9:30AM **Pueblo RecycleWorks & Roots Recycling**
Visit the City of Pueblo's first permanent drop-off site for residents, made possible by a 2017 RREO grant. Then stop at Roots Recycling to see how the materials are processed at their facility. Cost: \$15
- 7:30AM - 9:30AM **Southern Colorado Services and Recycling & Rock Worx**
See a facility that handles hard-to-recycle items (electronics, paint, cooking oil, light bulbs) and a concrete and asphalt crushing and reuse operation that serves southern Colorado. Cost: \$15
- 7:30AM - 9:30AM **EVRAZ Rocky Mountain Steel**
Walk through the iconic steel mill and learn about EVRAZ, the largest recycler of any material by weight in the state of Colorado. Cost: \$15
- 7:30AM - 9:30AM **Vestas Wind Towers Plant**
Opened in 2010, the Pueblo facility is the largest wind tower manufacturing facility in the world. This tour will highlight the company's efforts to increase renewable energy use worldwide, and internal sustainability goals. Cost: \$15
- 8:00AM - 9:30AM **Yoga & Walking Tour**
Enjoy a 30-minute yoga session, then a short walk to visit Solar Roast coffee and learn about their unique solar-powered roasting process. Cost: \$10

Networking

8:00AM - 10:00AM Business Partner Showcase

Concurrent Break-outs

- 10:00AM - 11:30AM **Empowering Regulatory Leaders with the Knowledge of What Organics Recycling Entails**
Learn what the industry does, how it does it, the benefits and challenges associated with organics recycling and how it works within a community. This knowledge is vital to successfully creating and maintaining the infrastructure needed to meet the rapidly expanding demand for organics recycling in Colorado. The intended audience for this session includes Colorado's legislators, city council members, county commissioners and planners as well as staff and inspectors that create policy, implement regulations, issue permits and oversee operations of organics recycling infrastructure in Colorado.
- 10:00AM - 11:30AM **Packaging**



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10:00AM - 11:30AM NextCycle Pitch Session: Colorado's Next Big End Market Ideas

In 2018 the Colorado Dept. of Public Health and Environment launched Colorado NextCycle, an innovative program to jumpstart end-market development in the state. Hear directly from the selected NextCycle teams as they share their business ideas with recycling professionals and investors. Each team has five minutes to 'pitch' their business plan, and the audience will have time to ask questions immediately following the pitch. The session doesn't end there! At the end of the presentation period, the teams and the audience will engage in one-one-one discussions about partnerships, collaboration and investment opportunities.

Moderator: Juri Freeman, RRS

Teams: 9Fiber, Direct Polymers, Ekomats, Natural Buildings Innovation, Renewlogy, Resolar, San Juan Organics, Spring Back Colorado, Vartega

10:15AM - 12:15PM State Policy – Making Change Happen in Colorado

We have started to make some serious inroads toward improving Colorado's policies on recycling and waste reduction and diversion. We want to keep up that momentum and start planning for the 2020 Colorado General Assembly. Come to discuss the legislative priorities Recycle Colorado should work on this coming year.

Luncheon Plenary

11:45AM - 12:45PM Lunch

12:30PM - 1:30PM **Plenary – State Policy**

1:30PM Drawing for Free 2020 Summit Registration

Round Tables

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1:45PM - 3:45PM **Front Range**

Facilitators: Megan Lane, City and County of Denver; Randy Moorman, Eco-Cycle

1:45PM - 3:45PM **Western Slope**

Facilitator: Laurie Johnson, Recycle Colorado

1:45PM - 3:45PM **Mountains**

Facilitator: Sarah Jones, Yampa Valley Sustainability Council

1:45PM - 3:45PM **Rural**

Facilitators: Beth Lenz, Upper Arkansas Recycling