

Approved Meeting Minutes

SWANA Legislative Task Force

Annual Meeting

November 21 – 22, 2024

SeaCrest Oceanfront Hotel

2241 Price Street, Pismo Beach, CA 93449

NOVEMBER 21, 2024

LTF BUSINESS - 8:00 am – 9:30 am

- The meeting commenced at approximately 8:00 am.
- **Introductions** – attendees introduced themselves.
- **Approval of October minutes** (Sharon Green) – moved, seconded and approved.
- **Annual attendance report** (Sharon Green) – Ms. Green summarized the attendance report (January through October). Overall, attendance has been very good.
- **Approval of October Treasurer’s Report** (Frank Caponi) – Mr. Caponi provided updates on expenses and revenues. Several agency contributions were received in October and more are anticipated. Mr. Caponi will follow up next month to encourage additional entities to make annual contributions.
 1. Beginning Balance: \$47,820.63
 2. Revenues: \$15,750.45
 3. Expenses: \$5,362.47
 4. Balance: \$58,208.61
 5. The October Treasurer’s Report was moved, seconded, and approved.
- **Approval of 2024 Budget** (Frank Caponi) – Mr. Caponi presented a draft budget to the LTF, but due to a number of unknown factors for next year such as the need for legal services related to incorporation, insurance, and the need for new agreements with Chapters and SWANA-National, the budget is considered a rough estimate. It was noted that the LTF may not have received all of the revenue that should be coming from dues surcharge remittances, and Mr. Caponi will look into this further.
 1. Therefore, the tentative budget (with notes related to uncertainties) was moved, seconded and approved. Mr. Caponi intends to bring back an updated version to the LTF for approval. *[Note: an updated budget was approved by the LTF by email 1/7/2025 and submitted to the Chapters on 1/10/2025.]*
- **Officer Elections/Appointments** (Chris Hanson/Curtis Larkin)
 1. **Background information** – The LTF typically nominates the Chair and Vice chair now, with a formal vote at the first meeting of the new year. Per the MOU, the LTF must vote to approve the Officers every year, but the LTF’s tradition has been to have Officers serve for 2 consecutive years, unless extenuating circumstances do not permit that.
 2. **Officer selection:** Mr. Larkin was nominated to serve as Chair and Ms. Green was nominated to serve as Vice Chair in 2025, and the motion was seconded and approved. Mr. Larkin announced that he would appoint Mr. Caponi to serve as Treasurer and Ms. Jain to serve as Secretary in 2025. This selection ensures the officers include at least one representative from each Chapter.
 3. **Meeting schedule for 2025** (Priscilla Quiroz) - after reviewing and making a few changes, the proposed meeting schedule was approved. Ms. Quiroz will circulate the revised Final Meeting Schedule to the LTF in December.
 4. **2025 Lobby Day** – after discussion, it was decided that the LTF Officers will conduct a Lobby Day on May 14, which will be organized by Shaw Yoder.

- 5. **Meeting for setting positions** – this meeting will be held in person in March in Sacramento. *(Note: an ad-hoc subcommittee comprised of one member from each of the Northern, Central and Southern Chapters (consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding) will conduct the annual audit the day of this meeting.)*
- **Website updates** (Sharon Green) – the LTF discussed the need to keep adding documents to the website, e.g. legislative matrix, position letters, etc. Following discussion, it was determined that the Website subcommittee should meet to discuss the website and any changes needed. It will be convened in January 2025. *(The subcommittee consists of Doug, Robert, Monique, Frank, Deepti, and Sharon)*
- **Western Regional Symposium** – There is a desire for the LTF to plan a policy session or to have a role during the Joint Chapters Meeting at the 2025 Western Regional Symposium. Ms. Martin will check with the Symposium Organizing Committee to confirm if this is planned. A subcommittee was formed to plan the session (Lynnda, Jane and Dwayne).
- **Rumors/gossip** – Round table discussion.

9:30 a.m.– 10:00 a.m.

TAX STATUS UPDATE – Chris Hanson, Doug Kobold

- The LTF Officers met with SWANA’s Executive Director, Policy Director and other staff at the end of October. We updated them regarding the incorporation process and briefed them on the need for a licensing agreement for use of the name “SWANA” by the new replacement organization for the LTF. We also described our process for selecting new Officers and informed them of impending changes in 2025. SWANA agreed to provide a letter providing permission for use of the name/logo for the purposes of incorporation, and the letter was received on November 1, 2024. A licensing agreement will still be needed but will be done later.
- Mr. Kobold reported that he had sent the necessary documents for initiating the incorporation process to our attorney for filing. He noted a number of additional steps that will need to be taken, including researching and purchasing insurance for the board members of the new organization, entering into agreements with the California Chapters and with SWANA, entering into a renewed agreement with the Shaw Yoder lobbying firm, and ensuring we have clear channels for funding for the LTF articulated in the aforementioned agreements.

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

**SWANA NATIONAL UPDATE / CHAPTERS REPORTS /
SWANA NATIONAL INFORMATION SHARING**

- SWANA National - Mr. Caponi reported on changes that are underway at SWANA National. New policies are being developed and the by-laws may also be modified.
- Chapters Reports – Chapter representatives reported on various Chapter happenings including Central Chapter’s planning of the 2025 Western Regional Symposium at Tenaya Lodge and Gold Rush Chapter planning to do more webinars.
- SWANA National Information Sharing - During the October 31st meeting with SWANA staff, SWANA requested and we agreed to share our meeting minutes with them. We also discussed ongoing coordination with SWANA, particularly with their Core Advocacy Committee, which includes representatives from each chapter but no official liaison or representation from the LTF. We told them that we will discuss with the California Chapter leadership the best ways to coordinate and get back to them at a later date.

10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

CARB ACTIONS DISCUSSION – Frank Caponi

- Mr. Caponi provided brief updates on several regulatory activities occurring at the California Air Resources Board (CARB). He reported that CARB is updating the Advanced Clean Fleet regulations to provide relief for some types of vehicles used by essential public services (namely, the water sector and electricity sector), which will implement directives contained in AB 1594. The exceptions focus on vehicles used for emergency response and for which electric versions are not yet available or are not practical for emergency response situations. Solid waste vehicles were not included in AB 1594. It was mentioned that the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) may pursue legislation next year to include relief for the solid waste sector. It was also mentioned that new regulations regarding off-road vehicles/equipment such as forklifts have also been promulgated, as well as new regulatory requirements for Tier 5 engine standards. Mr. Caponi reported that the updated Low Carbon Fuel Standard regulation was adopted on November 8, 2024. The rulemaking package will be submitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) and will take effect following OAL approval. The revised LCFS will phase out credits for biogas/renewable natural gas used as a transportation fuel by 2040.
- Mr. Sweetser mentioned that a coalition of solid waste facility operators is working together on implementation of the Criteria Pollutant and Toxics Emissions Reporting rule, which was updated by CARB in 2022. Pat Sullivan is coordinating this coalition and anyone interested in joining should contact him. This regulation implements statewide annual reporting of criteria air pollutant and toxic air contaminant emissions data from facilities. During this phase, source testing is being conducted to determine which toxic air contaminants will be required to be tested on an annual basis.

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

LEGISLATIVE FORECAST & PROPOSED ADVOCACY PRIORITIZATION

(Priscilla Quiroz - Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange)

This is the first year of the 2025-2026 legislative session. In early December, new Members will be sworn in on the first day of the session. About one-third of the Members will be new next year. There are a lot of them, and the LTF will need to get to know them and let them know who we are. To a large extent, it will be a year of education and determining their priorities. The budget outlook has improved and is not as bad as FY24 has been. The Legislative Analyst's Office projects a \$2 billion deficit, which is much less than the \$64 billion deficit projected in January 2024. We anticipate that the Governor will be conservative in how he budgets. It is also important to note that the Governor has called three special sessions: two related to the oil industry and one to allocate money for litigation by the Attorney General against the incoming Trump Administration.

As far as Committees go, Legislative leadership probably will not announce the committee chairs until December or January. That said, we don't anticipate major changes.

Ms. Quiroz ran through a list of potential legislative topics that she anticipates may be pursued in 2025, which are summarized below.

- SB 1383 tweaks – there will probably be more bills on this topic. Also, CalRecycle will be required to reopen the SB 1383 regulations to comply with the requirements in AB 2346 and AB 2902. It is also possible that CalRecycle will also make changes related to other issues, such as food recovery.
- SB 54 changes – there may also be bills on this topic.

- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) bills – solar panels – the California Product Stewardship Council plans to sponsor a full EPR bill. There will likely be 2-3 bills related to EPR for vaping devices.
- Marine flares – a bill on this is likely to be reintroduced since this year’s bill was vetoed.
- Electric Vehicle batteries – Sen. Allen (author-sponsored) – management approach unknown.
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) EPR – the National Stewardship Action Council (NSAC) is likely to seek reintroduction of their HHW legislation since this year’s bill died.
- Carpet – there will be a bill to clean up what was done this year. CPSC is sponsoring, and Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry will be the author.
- Low Carbon Fuel Standard/Fleets - there may be legislation in this category again.
- Money for infrastructure – some folks will push for this because it’s been unfunded for a couple of years and didn’t get included in Proposition 4 (the climate bond).
- Note: CPSC will hold a webinar about EPR for legislators in 2025 (1st quarter)

Finally, Ms. Quiroz noted that both the Department of Toxic Substances Control and CalRecycle have new directors (although Zoe Heller was not yet confirmed at the time of this meeting). Additionally, CalRecycle has a new Legislative Director, Allegra Curiel.

11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

PRESENTATION – Deepti Jain, City of Sunnyvale MRF

- Ms. Jain provided an overview of the new food waste preprocessing equipment installed at the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery Facility (known as the Sunnyvale SMaRT Station). They are processing >250 tons per week. They send a tanker truck of preprocessed food waste slurry per day to EBMUD and Silicon Valley Clean Water. Doing two passes for debagging– recovery rate went from 75% to 87%.

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH

- Over lunch, Ms. Hanson presented an overview of the infrastructure upgrades made to the Western Placer Waste Management Authority’s MRF, C&D, and compost facilities. The \$120M upgrade is expected to triple the overall recovery rate and achieve 75% diversion of organic waste (in part due to composting the organic rich fines) to qualify as a high-diversion facility under SB 1383. The facility is expected to be complete spring/summer 2025.

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

STRATEGIES DEVELOPMENT – Group Discussion

- SB 1383 status and updates –
 - AB 2902 and AB 2346 both require the SB 1383 regs to be reopened.
 - Some jurisdictions are struggling to find products for procurement. At the same time, some producers of procurement products are not receiving a lot of demand.
 - Discussed issues with MRFs qualifying as “high diversion MRFs” – only one MRF has been designated a high diversion MRF in the whole state. There are very strict requirements, and most can’t qualify. Maybe we should propose revisions to those regs.
 - LTF members mentioned that, so far CalRecycle isn’t really enforcing the regulations, or that they don’t really know what to expect because there hasn’t been a formal structure to CalRecycle’s enforcement activities.
 - Another member mentioned that the food recovery requirements shouldn’t really be combined with this program. Instead, they should be led by local Public Health agencies.

LTF members shared perspectives on the implementation challenges with food recovery that jurisdictions and haulers are experiencing.

- Issues to discuss with Allegra Curiel, CalRecycle’s Legislative Director: focus on legislation, EPR, SB 1383 regulatory updates, infrastructure funding for organic waste diversion (and other solid waste-related infrastructure)
- SB 54 – the final regulations will most likely come out in early 2025. The comment period on the Environmental Impact Report ends 12/15. The LTF discussed various engagement opportunities including on the Needs Assessment and with the PRO, Circular Action Alliance, during development of the PRO plan.
- PFAS – in 2023, several bills to phaseout the use of PFAS in various products were vetoed. The main reason was a lack of an effective enforcement mechanism. It was noted that landfills/solid waste facilities are not the generators of PFAS and are considered passive receivers, and therefore should not be responsible for cleaning up/testing of PFAS. The LTF will monitor national legislation and regulations and will engage as appropriate in conjunction with the advocacy efforts of SWANA National. At the state level, the LTF will continue to monitor and weigh in on PFAS-related legislation and regulations, as needed.
- *California Air Resources Board – Advanced Clean Fleet rules, and lobbying outreach strategies were not substantially discussed during this part of the meeting.*

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. BREAK

2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

2024 LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY PLATFORM

A live review of the draft Work Plan:

- New Organization Overview
- Executive Summary / Information
- Year in Review - Advocacy Report
- Year Ahead - Work Plan and Priorities

The group reviewed the draft Workplan and made changes as needed. Monique Gama took notes and revised text to reflect the discussion.

NOVEMBER 22, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

2024 LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY PLATFORM

A live review of the draft Work Plan (continued)

The group continued to review the draft Workplan and made changes as needed. Ms. Gama took notes and revised text to reflect the discussion.

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

PRESENTATION – Evan Edgar, Edgar & Associates (slides attached)

‘The future of Zero Waste with Zero Emissions’

Notes:

Mr. Edgar provided an interesting talk about legislative and regulatory topics related to the Circular Economy and sustainability, covering a wide range of subjects. The issues discussed related to organic waste diversion (SB 1383)-related legislation considered in 2024, bioenergy, air quality (e.g. Advanced Clean Fleet rules), climate change, composting, land application, solid waste infrastructure and facility permitting and funding, and potential legislation on some of these topics in 2025. His slides are attached for reference

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

PRESENTATION – Penny Lane Case, Kylene Landenberger, Stefany James, Nexstera Tech

‘AI-Driven Non-Invasive Deep Material Detection’

Stefany James, CTO & Kylene Landenberger, CTO (Ms. Lane Case was not available)

The leadership of the Nexstera Tech presented an update on the progress of their startup company that aims to produce devices to detect lithium-ion batteries improperly disposed in trash in order to prevent fires and accidents. They continued to develop their battery detection technology and worked on their product over the past year with field and lab testing. The company also has an Advisory Board of experts helping them as they test and develop the technology. They plan to conduct field testing with a couple of haulers in 2025. They anticipate undergoing the VI-FCC Certification Process in 2026.

As funding allows, Nexstera Tech anticipates pursuing additional future opportunities such as the following:

- Expanding their designs from side-loaders to rear and front loaders;
- Conveyor belt solutions at MRFs; and
- Handheld solutions (e.g. for use at landfill entrances).

11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION – Allegra Curiel, Legislative Director, CalRecycle

Ms. Curiel came in person to the LTF meeting and spent an hour in discussion with the LTF. Ms. Curiel has worked at CalRecycle and in the private sector, and she was appointed Legislative Director of CalRecycle in late October 2024. Ms. Curiel emphasized that she has an open-door policy and that wants to hear from us and be a resource.

Ms. Curiel summarized some of CalRecycle’s current priorities, as follows:

SB 1383 – they want local governments and haulers to have the tools they need, acknowledging that SB 1383 is a big transition and there are stringent goals to meet. AB 2902 and AB 2346 – these new bills will require adjustments to the SB 1383 regulations. CalRecycle is beginning to look at this now and will be figuring out how to implement these new laws. They are currently in the planning phase and are having conversations about the scope of regulatory changes internally and with CalEPA/Governor’s Office.

The LTF shared a few issues with Ms. Curiel from our perspective:

- Local governments have no authority over state and federal facilities but are being held responsible for their compliance. This is unfair. Examples include Yosemite National Park, Corcoran state prison, schools.
- Another situation that local governments can’t control is emergencies, such as Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS), which can result in food spoilage and higher than normal organic waste that must be disposed. Can’t really avoid.

- Edible Food Recovery – there are ongoing difficulties with infrastructure. This program is not a waste-related program and should really be managed by Public Health authorities. There are unique challenges with implementation in rural areas.
 - Ms. Curiel responded that there should be flexibility, but we need to find ways to implement that. Perhaps CalRecycle could issue enforcement advisories or other mechanisms.
- When the regulations are updated, we believe that CalRecycle should have workshops to gather input on what needs to be updated in the regs.

SB 54 – Ms. Curiel stated this producer responsibility approach for single use plastics and packaging, is another huge new program and priority for CalRecycle. CalRecycle hopes it will reduce the burdens of managing plastic wastes on local programs and facilities. The implementing regulations are in the regulatory process. CalRecycle hopes to finalize the regulations early next year. The Producer Responsibility Organization (CAA) will need to be established and then write a plan. We don't have all the answers yet, and it is an evolving landscape. To date, CalRecycle has felt that it isn't timely to make changes in legislation, and it is too early right now. Open to hearing if there are issues now. Perhaps there will be a need for a cleanup bill down the road.

Draft SB 54 regs – LTF members inquired whether there will be changes and another 15-day comment period? Ms. Curiel responded that there were many good comments submitted and there are changes being made. She does not know yet what the decision will be on another comment period. We will be hearing soon about next steps. Other comments and questions posed by the LTF related to the need for flexibility, local assistance programs, consumer education.

Ms. Hanson raised the topic of local flexibility. She stated that every place is different and need enough flexibility to address that. Ms. Curiel responded that she recognizes that there is a lot of variation and a need for flexibility as long as we are all working towards the same goal.

The question was also posed as to whether Ms. Curiel anticipates that there could be an initiative to increase the Integrated Waste Management Fee from \$1.40/ton to a higher level, since the fee has been the same for many years?

- Ms. Curiel stated that there have been discussions about this. The IWM fee is based on disposal but that isn't a sustainable model. Not what the new paradigm is. This could be a tough conversation. With the budget being tough, though, it may be hard to gain approval in the Legislature.
- The LTF stated that we would like to see the fee be more equitable if there is a fee increase and/or restructuring.
- It was noted that some of the haulers don't have pass-through so they may oppose. One suggestion is that in the future increases could be built in to be more automatic and include regular CPI increases.
- But it was also pointed out that we have to consider cumulative impacts and affordability for consumers, particularly considering the major rate increases many jurisdictions have imposed to pay for compliance with SB 1383 already.

Another issue raised is the challenges being experienced by facility developers with permitting by air districts of new/expanded facilities and equipment & processes. Ms. Curiel stated that she understands that it is an issue. However, she is not sure how much CalRecycle can really do. They do work with CARB and will continue to do so.

In closing, the LTF asked how we can be helpful. Ms. Curiel responded that letters are helpful and enable CalRecycle to communicate the LTF's positions and concerns to Legislature.

12:00 Meeting Adjournment

Enclosures:

Final Annual Meeting Agenda

2025 Meeting Schedule

Attendance Roster

Annual Attendance Report

October Treasurer's Report

Evan Edgar's Slides



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WEDNESDAY 11/20		
4:00 p.m.	Hotel Check In	
TBD	DINNER (Optional, on your own) *Optional pre-meet up at hotel terrace for drinks and appetizers* On your own for dinner, no formal reservations made.	On your own
THURSDAY 11/21 Pacific Banquet Room		
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	BREAKFAST (Complimentary hotel breakfast) *Pick up from lobby and bring to meeting room* Complimentary breakfast buffet: pastries, fresh fruit, eggs, sausage, pancakes, cereal, oatmeal, yogurt, beverages.	Breakfast provided by hotel (lobby)
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9:30 a.m.– 10:00 a.m.	TAX STATUS UPDATE – Chris Hanson, Doug Kobold	
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	SWANA NATIONAL UPDATE / CHAPTERS REPORTS / SWANA NATIONAL INFORMATION SHARING	OSHA Fire Response, Heat Prevention
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11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	PRESENTATION – Deepti Jain, City of Sunnyvale MRF	
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round Table Discussion – SB 1383 implementation, SB 54 regs 	Lunch provided – taco and salad buffet
1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	STRATEGIES DEVELOPMENT – Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB 1383 • SB 54 • CARB/ACF • Lobbying/outreach 	

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE
 Priscilla Quiroz

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6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	DINNER: Madonna Inn 100 Madonna Rd, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405 Group Name: SWANA LTF Dinner Phone: (805) 784-2410 https://www.madonnainn.com/	Dinner Provided (member plus guest)
FRIDAY 11/22 Pacific Banquet Room		
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Complimentary daily continental breakfast Pick up and bring to meeting room	Breakfast provided by Hotel
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11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	DISCUSSION – Allegra Curiel, Legislative Director, CalRecycle	https://www.gov.ca.gov/2024/10/14/governor-newsom-announces-appointments-10-14-24/
12:00 pm – 1:00 p.m.	2024 LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY PLATFORM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sections Review (continued, as time allows) 	Lunch on your own



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Meeting Schedule 2025

(All meetings are from 10:00am-noon unless otherwise noted)

January 23

Zoom Call

February 27

Zoom Call

March 27

Planning LTF In-Person
Sacramento
(10am –3pm)

April 24

Zoom Call

May 14

Officers-only In-person Meetings with Capitol Staff

May 22

Zoom Call

June 26

Zoom Call

July 24

Zoom Call

August 28

Zoom Call

September 25

Zoom Call

October 23

Zoom Call

November 20 (full day) / November 21 (half day)

Annual LTF Meeting - TBD

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In-Person Meeting November 21-22, 2024**

<u>VOTING MEMBER/ CHAPTER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
VM/Gold Rush	Doug Kobold	X	California Product Stewardship Council	916-706-3420	Doug@calpsc.org
VM/Gold Rush	Chris Hanson (C)	X	Placer County/Western Placer WMA	530-886-4965	CHanson@placer.ca.gov
VM/Gold Rush	Larry Sweetser	X	Sweetser and Associates/ESJPA	510-703-0898	sweetser@hazman.us
VM/Gold Rush	Charles White	A	Chuck White Consulting	916-552-2365	chuckwhiteconsulting@gmail.com
VM/Gold Rush	Joe La Mariana	X	South Bay Waste Management Authority (Rethink Waste)	650-802-3505	jlamariana@rethinkwaste.org
ALT/Gold Rush	Tim Flanagan	A	SCS Engineers	925 440 5702	tflanagan@scsengineers.com
ALT/Gold Rush	Deepti Jain	X	City of Sunnyvale	408-730-7791	djain@sunnyvale.ca.gov
VM/Founding	Frank Caponi (T)	X	Retired Solid Waste Professional	562-699-7411	fcaponi5@gmail.com
VM/Founding	Jim Marchese	X	LA Sanitation and Environment	213-847-5174	jim.marchese@lacity.org
VM/Founding	Mike Mohajer	A	Southern California Waste Mgmt. Forum	909-592-1147	mikemohajer@yahoo.com
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VM/Sierra	Monique Gama	A	City of Merced	209-385-8897	gamam@cityofmerced.org
VM/Sierra	Curtis Larkin (VC)	X	Fresno County	559-600-4306	clarkin@fresnocountyca.gov
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ALT/Sierra	Keith Hester	A	Caglia Environmental	559-417-8307	khester@cagliarecycling.com
ALT/Sierra	Annie Shelton	A	Fresno County		ashelton@fresnocountyca.gov
Lobbyist	Priscilla Quiroz	X	Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange.	916-446-4656	Priscilla@SYASLpartners.com

*Joined or left call while meeting was in process.

Chapter Presidents:

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Founding – Michelle Leonard, mleonard@scsengineers.com

Sierra Chapter – Dan Amann – damann@fresnocountyca.gov

Quorum: Eight or more voting members, including at least one member from each chapter, must be present to constitute a quorum.

VM= Voting Member

Ch = Chair

VC = Vice Chair

T = Treasurer

S = Secretary

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
October 2024 Treasurer's Report
REVENUE

Line No.		REVENUES												YTD	BUDGET
		JAN 2024	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC		
1	DUES SURCHARGE ¹	\$300.00	\$450.00	\$2,370.00	\$1,680.01	\$2,520.00	\$0.00	\$1,080.00	\$1,260.00	\$1,770.00	\$0.00			\$11,430.01	\$18,000.00
2	WESTERN REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$20,000.00
3	MOLO COURSE REVENUES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,939.35	\$0.00			\$9,939.35	\$5,000.00
4	INTEREST	\$0.73	\$0.57	\$0.52	\$0.47	\$0.46	\$0.41	\$0.42	\$0.35	\$0.34	\$0.45			\$4.72	\$6.00
5	AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,750.00	\$25,000.00
6	WASTECON	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
a	Butte County														
b	City of Berkeley														
c	City of Clovis														
d	City of Colfax														
e	City of Fresno														
f	City of Los Angeles														
g	City of Manteca														
h	City of Roseville														
i	City of San Diego										\$2,500.00				
j	City of Santa Maria										\$2,000.00				
k	City of Stockton														
l	City of Sunnyvale										\$750.00				
m	City of Tulare														
n	City of Visalia														
o	City of Watsonville														
p	Fresno County														
q	Humboldt WMA														
r	Imperial County														
s	Kern County														
t	Kings County/KWRA										\$500.00				
u	LA County Sanitation Districts										\$2,500.00				
v	Merced County RWMA														
w	Monterey RWMD														
x	Orange County										\$2,500.00				
y	Placer County	\$2,000.00													
z	Riverside County										\$2,500.00				
aa	Sacramento County														
bb	Salinas Valley SWA		\$1,000.00												
cc	San Joaquin County														
dd	San Mateo County														
ee	South Bayside WMA										\$2,500.00				
ff	Ventura County														
gg	Yolo County														
hh	City of Santa Monica														
6	OTHER													\$0.00	
7	TOTALS	\$2,300.73	\$1,450.57	\$2,370.52	\$1,680.48	\$2,520.46	\$0.41	\$1,080.42	\$1,260.35	\$11,709.69	\$15,750.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,124.08	\$68,006.00
														% OF BUDGETED	59%

FOOTNOTES:

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
October 2024 Treasurer's Report
SUMMARY

	MONTHLY SUMMARY											
	JAN 2024	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
BEGINNING BALANCE ¹	\$88,378.45	\$77,563.72	\$63,028.82	\$60,457.19	\$57,213.70	\$54,052.64	\$49,212.08	\$45,492.53	\$40,910.91	\$47,820.63	\$58,208.61	\$58,208.61
REVENUES	\$2,300.73	\$1,450.57	\$2,370.52	\$1,680.48	\$2,520.46	\$0.41	\$1,080.42	\$1,260.35	\$11,709.69	\$15,750.45	\$0.00	\$0.00
(from Revenues sheet, Line 7)												
EXPENSES ²	\$13,115.46	\$15,985.47	\$4,942.15	\$4,923.97	\$5,681.52	\$4,840.97	\$4,799.97	\$5,841.97	\$4,799.97	\$5,362.47	\$0.00	\$0.00
(from Expenses sheet, Line 6)												
ENDING BALANCE	\$77,563.72	\$63,028.82	\$60,457.19	\$57,213.70	\$54,052.64	\$49,212.08	\$45,492.53	\$40,910.91	\$47,820.63	\$58,208.61	\$58,208.61	\$58,208.61
MATCHES BANK STATEMENT?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		

YTD	BUDGETED	% BUDGET
\$40,124	\$68,006	59%
(Line 7)		
\$70,294	\$95,100	74%
(Line 6)		

NOTES:

- 1- Bank balance of each listed month. Balance for January reflective of Statement balance on January 2, 2024.
- 2- Expenses reflect checks and debits posted by bank in month shown.

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE
October 2024 Treasurer's Report
EXPENSES

Line No.		Posted to Account ¹												YTD	BUDGET
		JAN 2024	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC		
1	SYASL REGULATORY REVIEW	\$1,130.73	\$1,103.15	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73	\$1,130.73			\$11,280	\$13,600
2	SYASL CONTRACT	\$3,669.24	\$3,579.74	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24	\$3,669.24			\$36,603	\$45,000
3	NON-SYASL EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$155.58	\$142.18	\$0.00	\$361.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$500.00			\$1,409	\$15,000
4	NETTOP PUBLISHING (WEBSITE)	\$3,505.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$525.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$4,031	\$1,500
5	Legal Counsel	\$4,809.50	\$11,147.00	\$0.00	\$124.00	\$520.50	\$41.00	\$0.00	\$267.00	\$0.00	\$62.50			\$16,972	\$20,000
6	TOTALS	\$13,115.46	\$15,985.47	\$4,942.15	\$4,923.97	\$5,681.52	\$4,840.97	\$4,799.97	\$5,841.97	\$4,799.97	\$5,362.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70,293.92	\$95,100
7														% INCURRED	74%
8															
9															
10															

Line No.	MONTH SERVICES RENDERED	SYASL Payment Data													
		JAN 2024	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC		
12	SYASL INVOICE NO.	19920	22006	22191	22294	22413	22511	22608	22725	22821	22927				
13	Web Draft No.	5007	5010	5011	5013	5015	5017	5020	5022	5024	5026				
14	AMOUNT	\$4,799.97	\$4,682.89	\$4,799.97	\$4,799.97	\$5,161.02	\$4,799.97	\$4,799.97	\$4,799.97	\$4,799.97	\$4,799.97				
15	DATE CHECK POSTED	1/22/24	2/14/24	3/18/24	4/12/24	5/17/24	6/11/24	7/29/24	8/14/24	9/18/24	10/16/24				

QUARTERLY LOBBYING PAYMENTS (BY INCURRED DATE)			
1ST QUARTER	2ND QUARTER	3RD QUARTER	4TH QUARTER
\$14,282.83	\$14,399.91	\$14,399.91	\$4,799.97

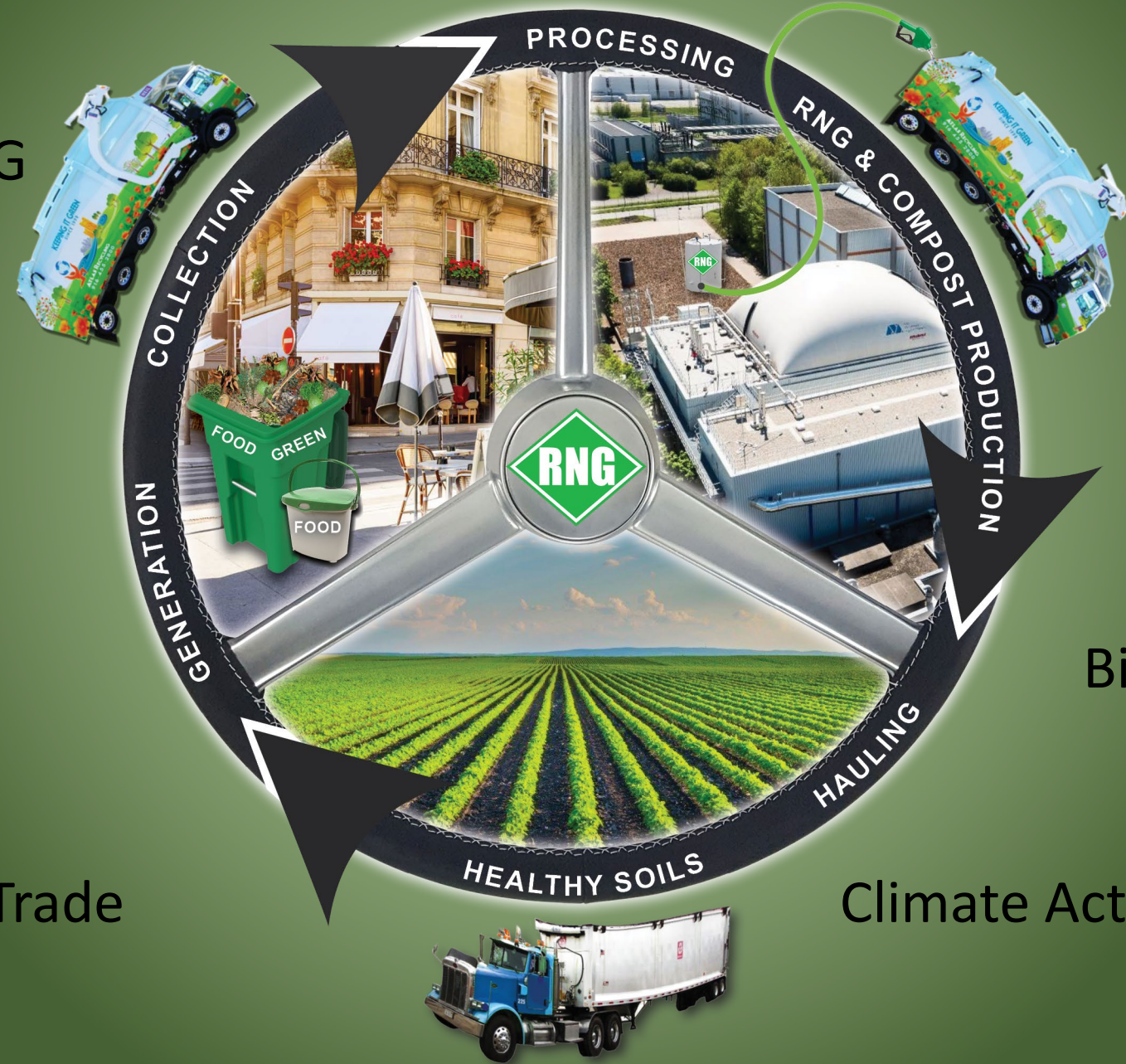
Notes:
¹ Invoices are typically paid for the previous month. So, for example, January expenses reflects December invoices.



SWANA Legislative Task Force – November 22, 2024

Evan WR Edgar – California Compost Coalition

In the Wheelhouse of the Circular Economy



Net-Zero GHG

LCFS/RFS

SB 1383

Renewable
Portfolio
Standard

BioMAT

Cap-and-Trade

Climate Action Reserve

ORGANIC WASTE RECYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE



SB 1383 Requires 50-100
New or Expanded
Organic Waste Recycling Facilities

CalRecycle \$130 M Organic Processing Infrastructure

Allocation	Type	Count	Total TPY	Total Ask	Avg TPY	Avg \$/TPY
\$56 M	Anaerobic Digestion	17	734,645	\$152 M	64,968	\$229
\$78 M	Compost	27	1,696,715	\$193 M	70,696	\$247
\$15 M	Pre-Processing	15	232,337	\$37 M	38,723	\$1,194
\$5 M	In-Vessel	9	4,658	\$4.5 M	582	\$5,691
Total:		68	2,668,355	\$387 M		

Throughput of Composting and
In-Vessel Digestion Facilities, 2015 (CalRecycle)

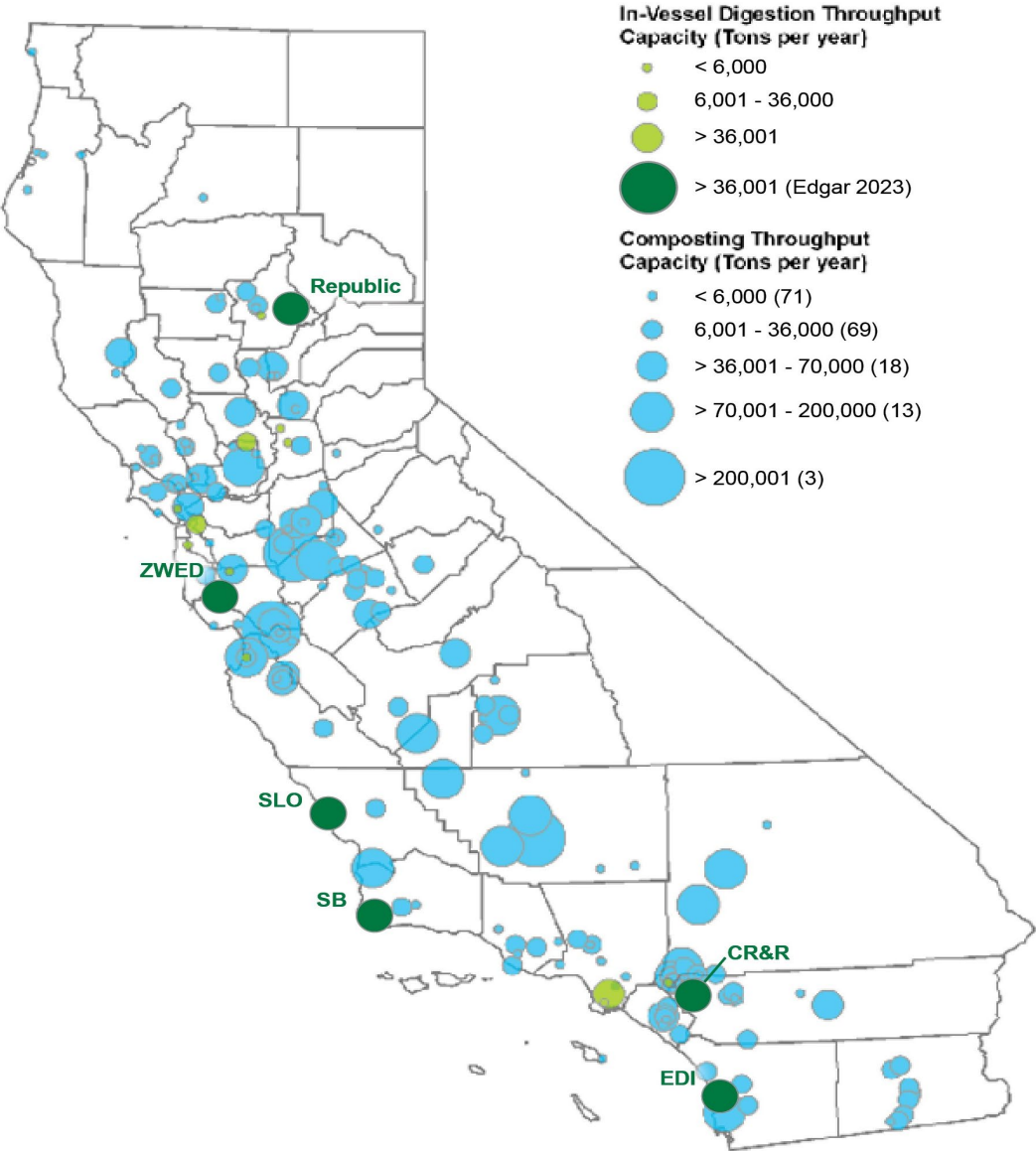
Compost in the Valleys AD Most on the Coast

Valley Compost (Central, Salinas, Napa, Ventura, and Imperial)

- Less Cost – Land, Labor, Technology
- More VMT – Back haul for procurement
- Agricultural Markets Nearby

AD Most on the Coast

- Higher Tip Fees for more expensive technology, land and labor
- Refuse Fleet demand and PUC pipelines
- Align with Urban POTWs
- Digestate Haul to Valleys







Agricultural Composting – under 12,500 CYD CalRecycle

- under 25,000 CYD – Water Board
- Agricultural Exemption – Land Use/Climate Action Plans
- Windrows or BACT – APCDs/AQMDs ???



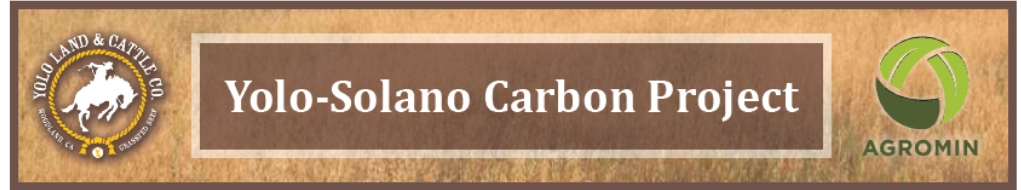


Carbon Farming with County Climate Action Plans

- Sequestering Carbon in the Natural Working Lands of CA in the CARB AB 32 Scoping Plan
- Sequestering Carbon in the County Climate Action Plans
- Every 1% organic matter increase – 25,000 gallon of water per acres per year
- SB 1383 Procurement with Direct Service
- <https://www.californiacompost.net/>



**California
Compost™**



Agromin, headquartered in Ventura County, is a pioneer in the sustainable management of organic resources and serves California with dozens of facilities statewide. Agromin is dedicated to the enhancement of our industry, our society, and the environment through innovation at each turn of the recycling loop. Agromin has been advancing carbon farming for decades and will be launching the Yolo-Solano Carbon Project in 2020 with the Yolo Land & Cattle Company.

Each year, Agromin converts nearly 800,000 tons of recycled organic materials into rich, living compost, mulch, and other premium soil amendment products for California farmers, landscapers and gardeners. As a result, Agromin contributes to water conservation, prevention of soil depletion, reduction in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and a decreased need for fossil-based fertilizers and chemicals.

The agricultural sector serves as the largest market for Agromin's composted organic products. California has 30 million acres of farmland and nearly 8 million acres in harvested crops. The "Certified Organic" label, as seen on Agromin's products, has enabled California farmers to more easily attain and use organic products made from urban green material. Recycling organic materials completes the urban-to-agriculture loop which helps growers'

meet sustainability commitments. From fork-to-farm, composting organics balances urban development with environmental protection. For cities surrounded by agriculture, or with pockets of agriculture, an urban-to-agriculture program is a true, sustainable solution and a great carbon farming opportunity.

The Farm-to-Fork movement is gaining momentum each year in the Sacramento Valley and Yolo-Solano area. The region has been an agricultural powerhouse for more than a century, boasting a year-round growing season and an ideal climate. The Sacramento area supports 1.5 million acres of farms and ranches which grow more than 160 crops for markets both regionally

healthy soil has amazing water-retention capacity.

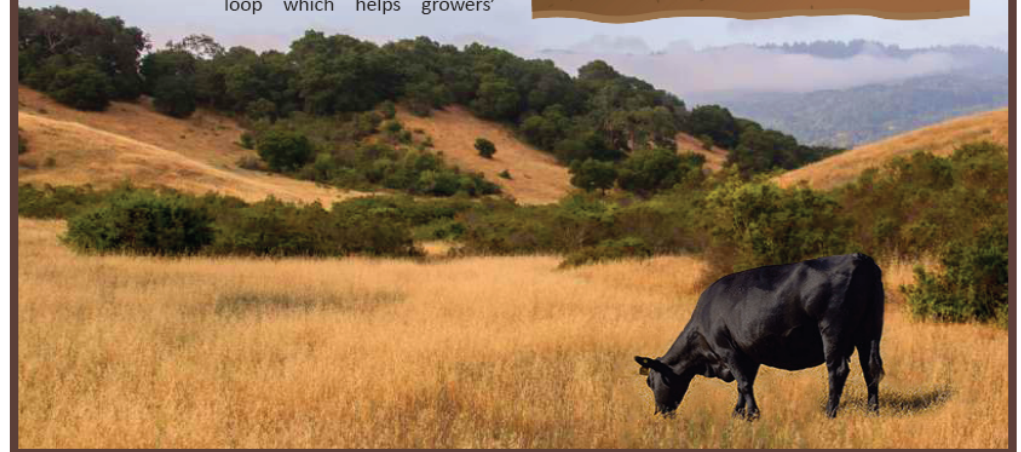
Every **1%** increase in organic matter results in as much as **25,000** gal of available soil water per acre.

Source: Kansas State Extension Agronomy e-Update, Number: 357, July 6, 2012

USDA United States Department of Agriculture

Want more soil secrets? Check out www.nrcs.usda.gov

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Carbon Farming with CDFA and RCDs

Scaling Carbon Farming in California through Regional Hubs

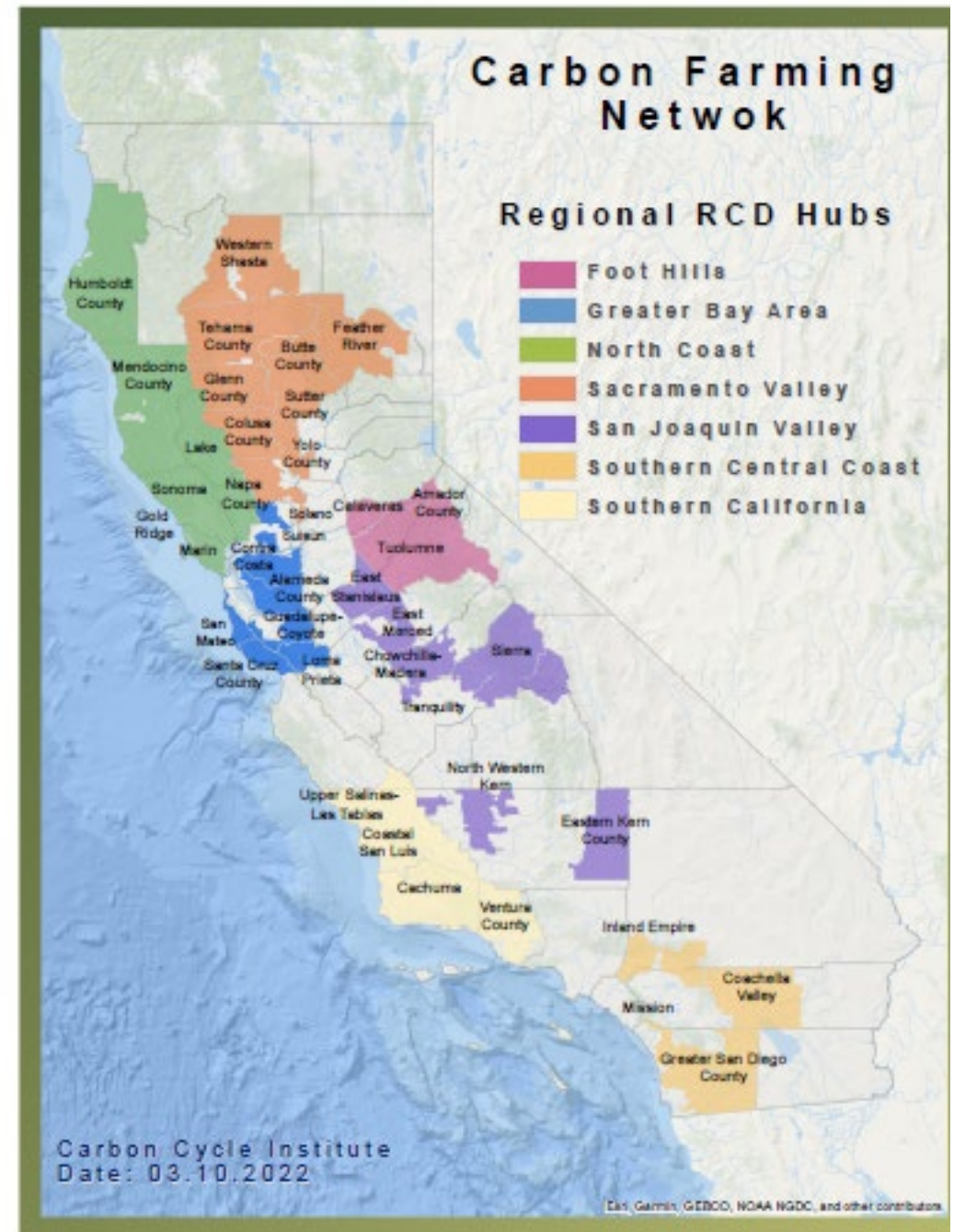
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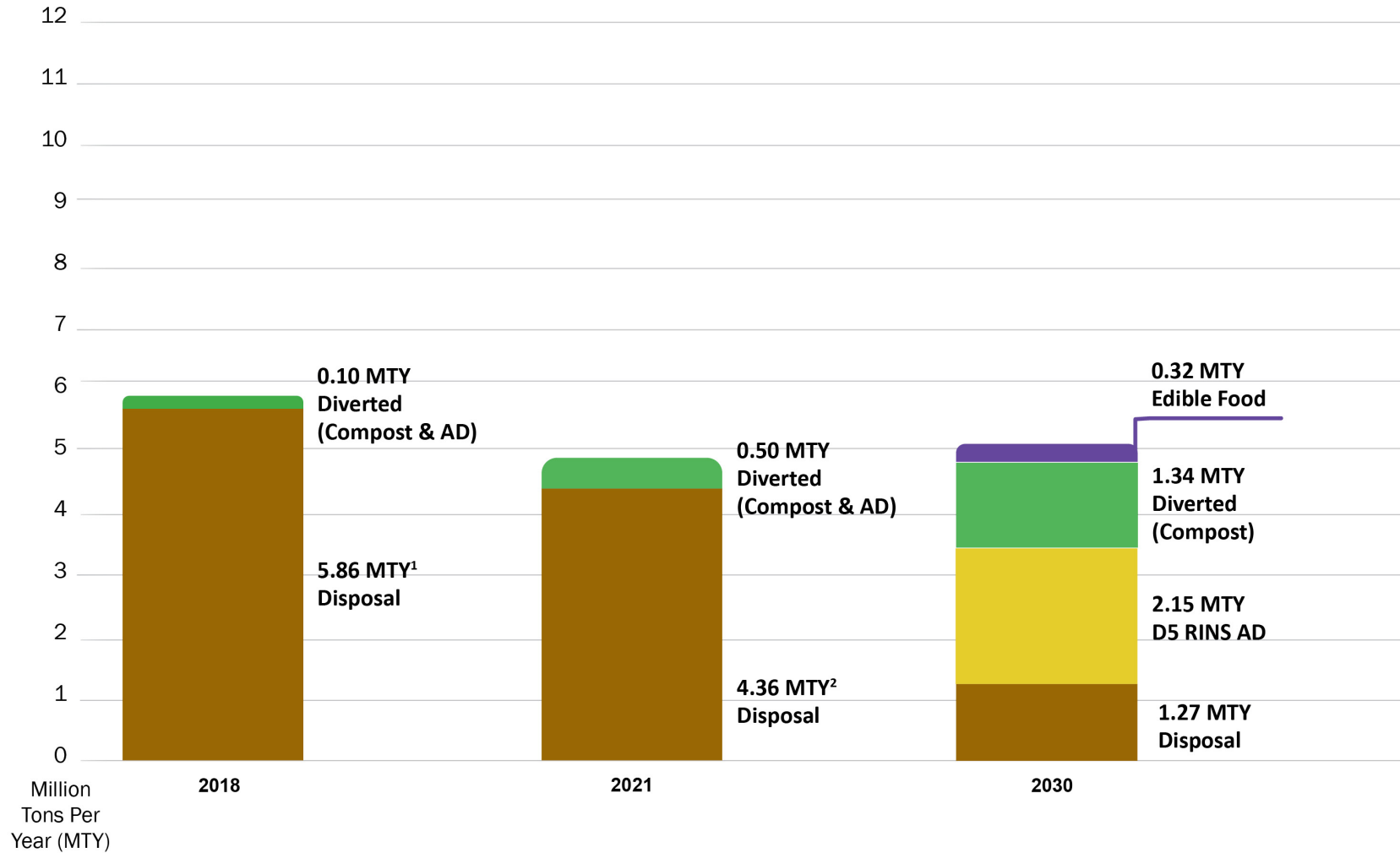


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Carbon Cycle Institute



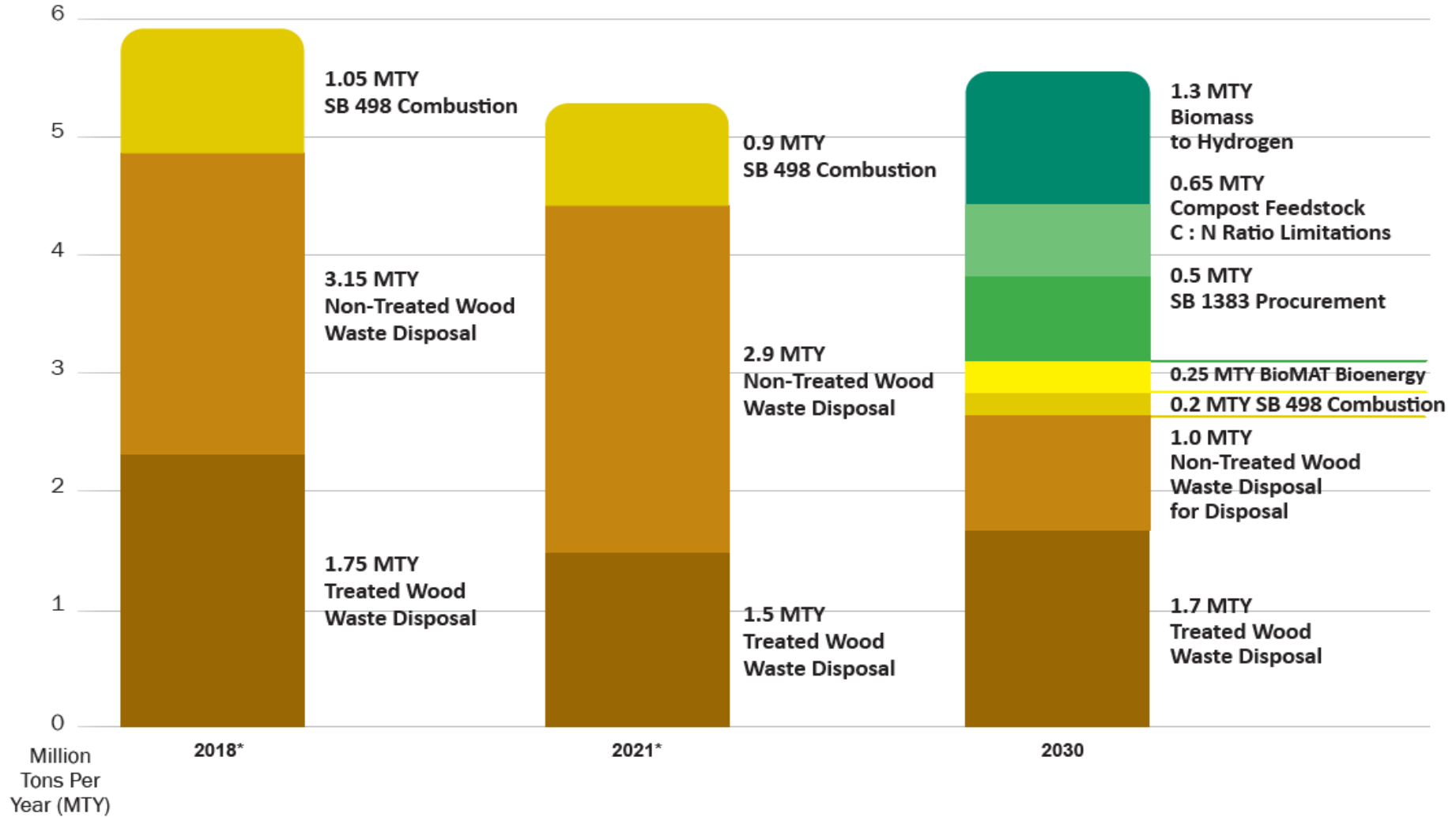
Food Waste Market Development 75% by 2030



¹ CalRecycle Data: <https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/Publications/Download/1458>

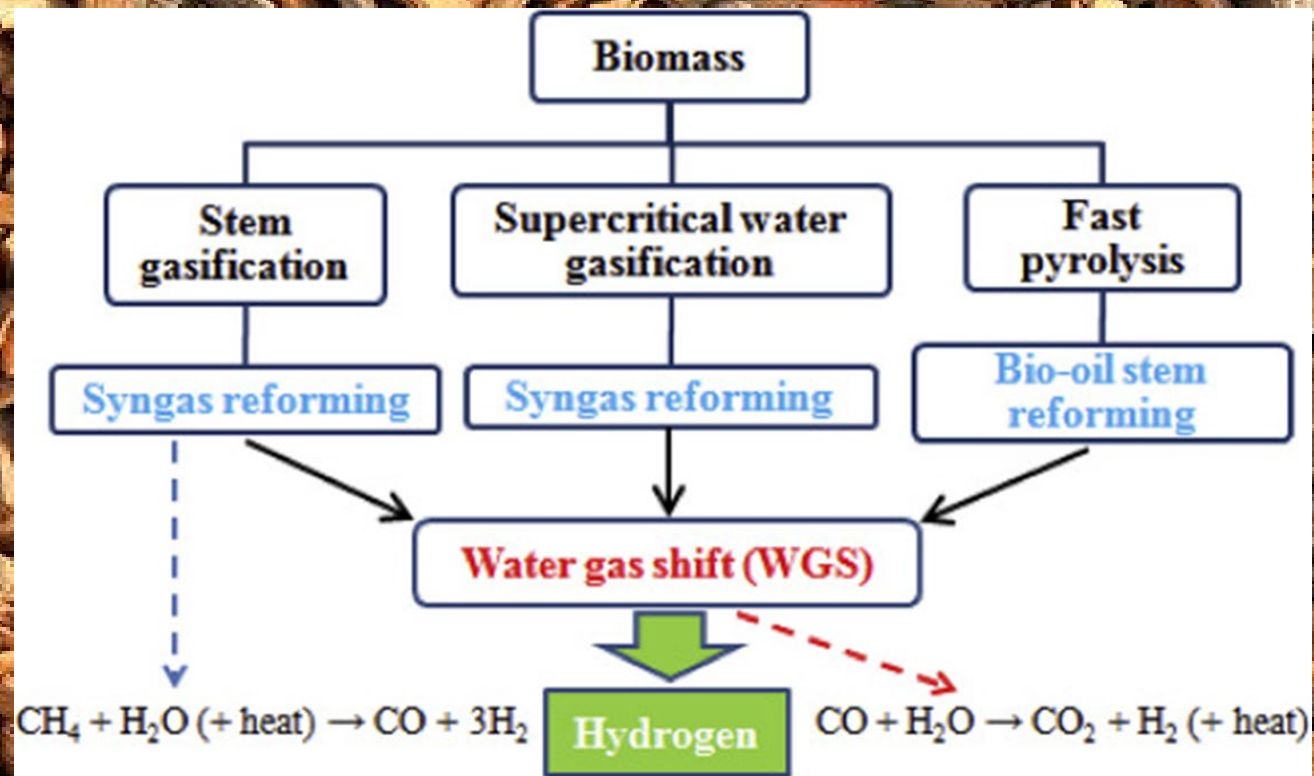
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Wood Waste Market Development Plan 75% Diversion by 2030



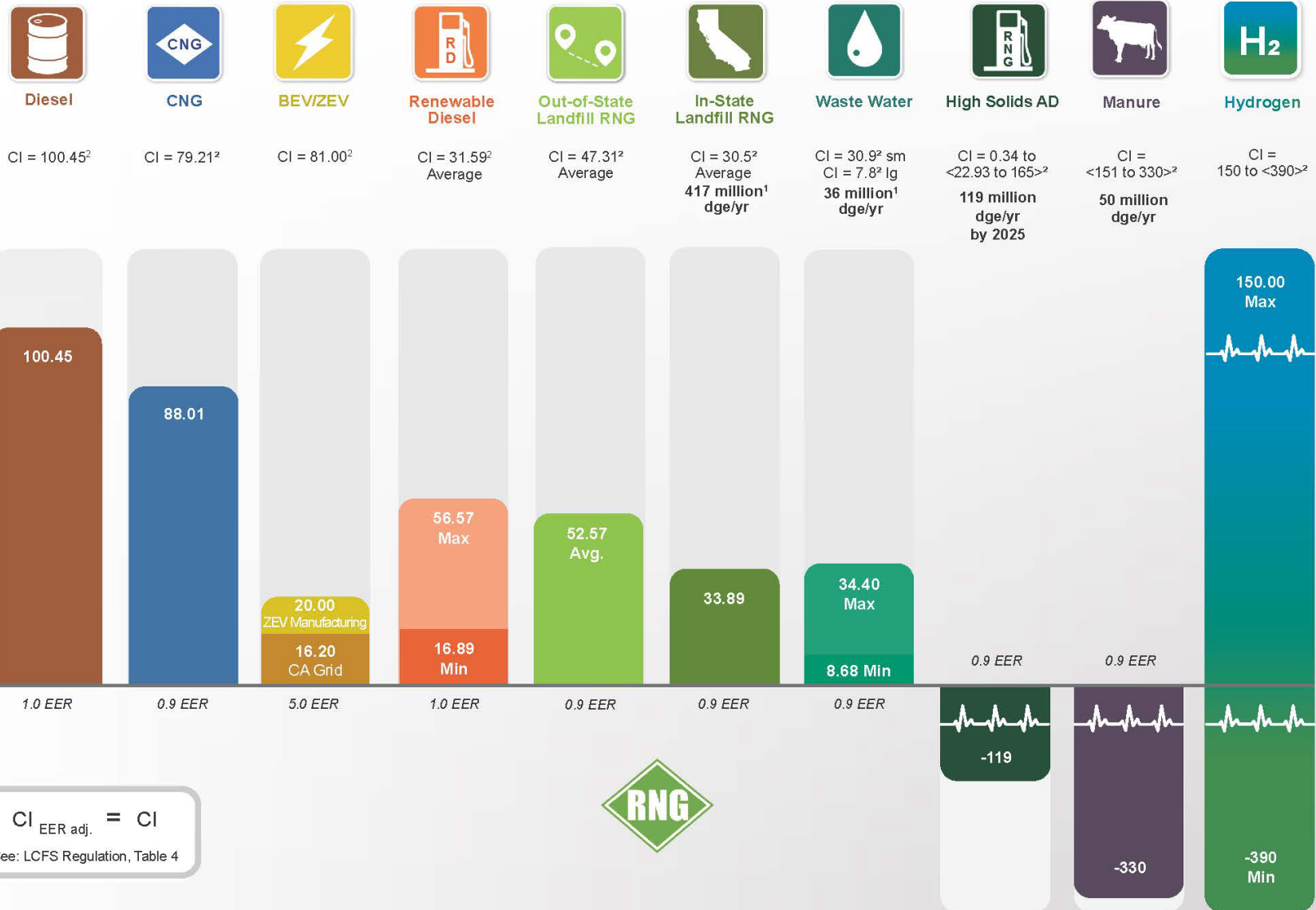
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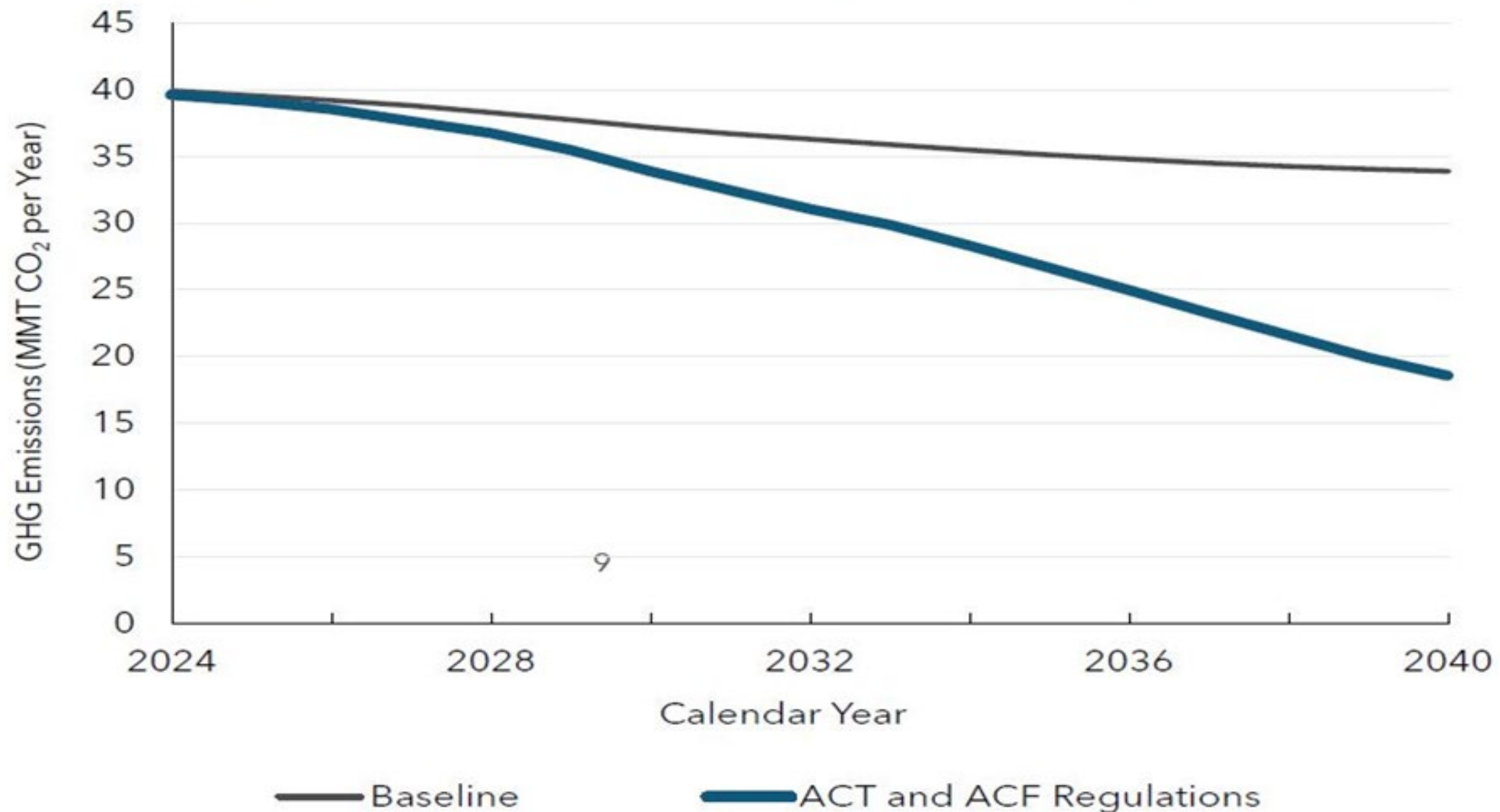
Carbon Intensity for Diesel & Substitutes

Certified Pathways 2020 - grams CO₂ emitted per unit of energy adjusted for energy economy ratio [EER] (g CO₂ e/MJ)

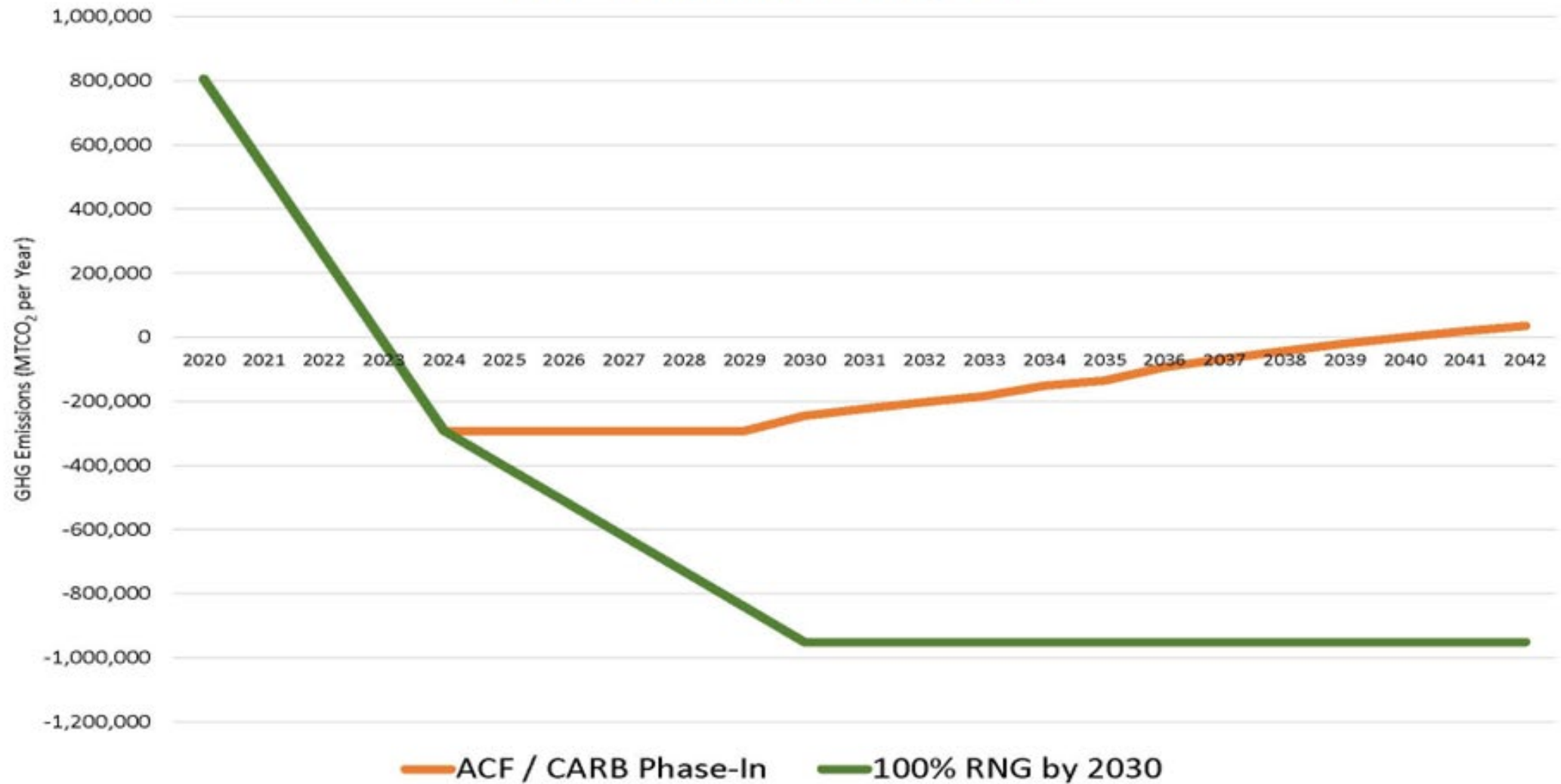


¹ UC Davis; ² Adopted LCFS Look-Up Table

GHG Emissions Drop 45% by 2040



Statewide Refuse Fleet of 16,000 Vehicles
RNG 100% by 2030 with Near-Zero NO_x Engines
ACF - CARB Phase-In by 2042

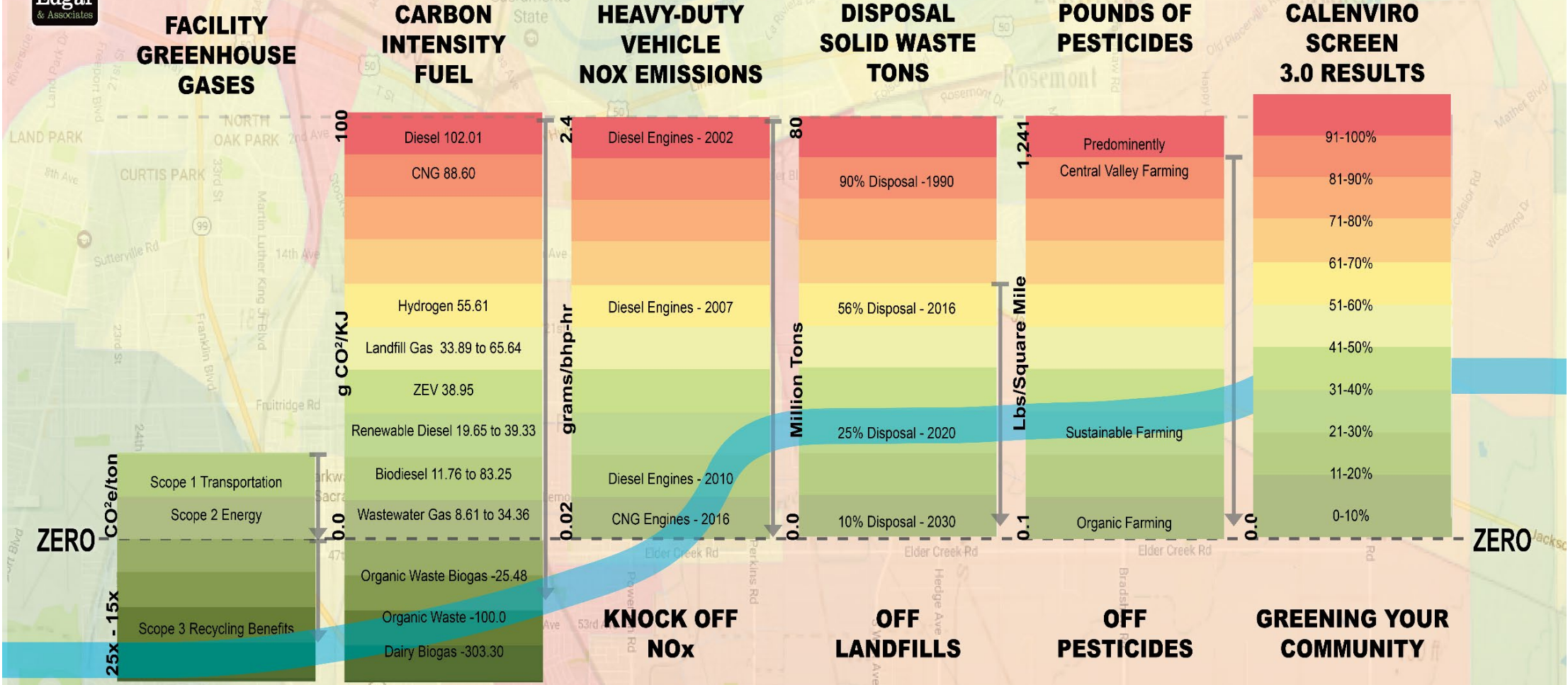


ZERO HERO PROGRAMS OF THE RECYCLING INDUSTRY



READVANTAGING COMMUNITY-SCALE SYSTEMS

THROUGH SUSTAINABLE FACILITY, FUEL, FLEET, FEEDSTOCKS & FARMING



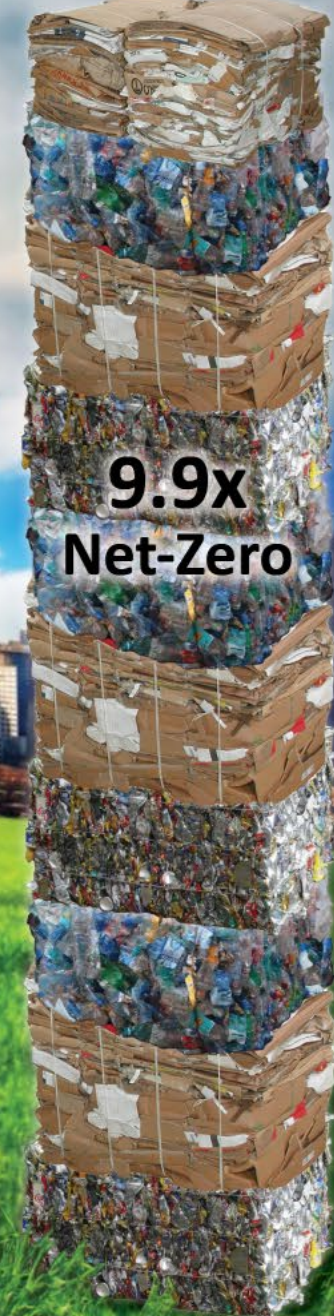
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Achieving Net Zero GHGs in the Solid Waste Industry



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