

# Washington Recycling Reform Act Advisory Council

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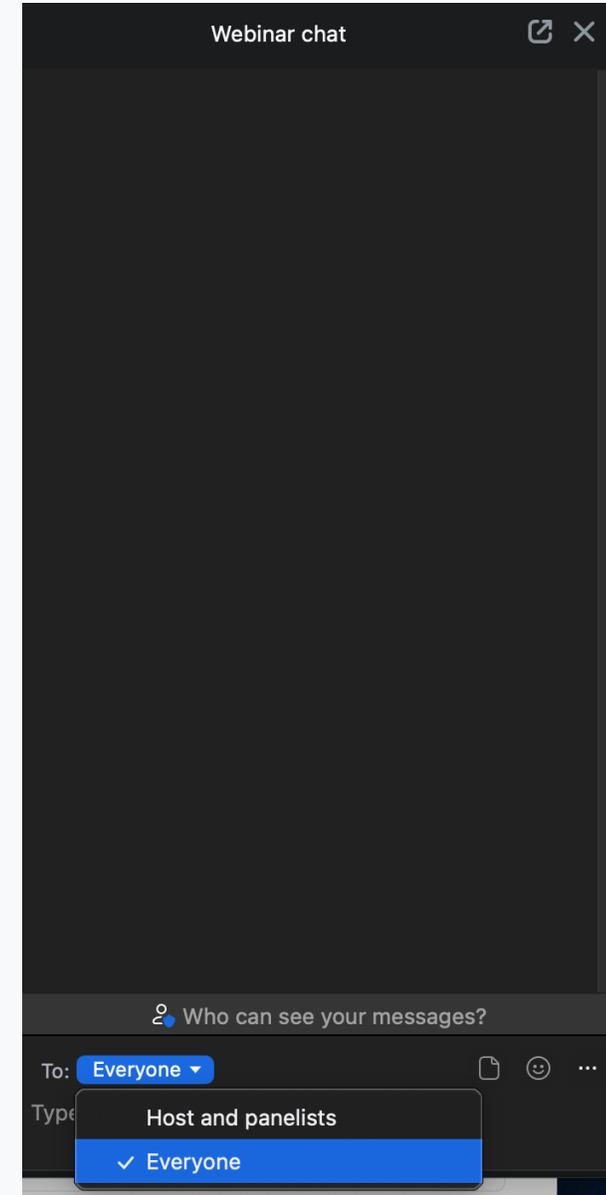
## **MEETING #2**

March 13, 2026

10-12pm PT

# Housekeeping

- All public participants are observers and in listen-only mode. Microphones are muted. While chat is open for everyone, **public attendees should not use the chat and instead use Q&A function for public comment.** The Q&A button can be opened at the bottom of your toolbar.
- Council members will be able to raise hands and come off mute to communicate. If using chat, please make sure all messages are sent to "Everyone."
- If council members experience any A/V issues throughout the webinar, Sam Kwok is available for technical support.
- Live captioning is enabled for meetings. Participants have the option to toggle it on and off at the bottom of their toolbar.



# Meeting Agenda

- I. Welcome
  - a. Attendance and review of meeting agenda
  - b. Call for disclosure of conflicts of interest related to today's meeting agenda
- II. Advisory Council Operations
  - a. Chair re-vote
  - b. Review and approve revised Code of Ethics
  - c. Vice Chair re-vote
- III. Ecology Updates & Discussion
  - a. OPMA Training
  - b. Overview of RRA rulemaking process
  - c. Needs Assessment overview and scope
  - d. Statewide Recycling Lists overview
- IV. Subcommittee Updates
  - a. Confirm subcommittee assignments and expectations
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Preview of Next Meeting Content
- VII. Adjourn

# RRA Advisory Council Purpose & Objectives

## Purpose

The purpose of the Recycling Reform Act Advisory Council (council) and its subcommittees is to advise the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) on implementation of the Recycling Reform Act (RRA). The council offers diverse perspectives and practical insights to help inform policy decisions related to recycling system design, performance, and equity.

## Objectives

The objective of the council is to give advice and recommendations to Ecology and the PRO to support effective implementation of the RRA, including:

- a. Identifying system gaps, needs, and implementation challenges
- b. Elevating equity and environmental justice considerations
- c. Ensuring representation of diverse perspectives across Washington's recycling system
- d. Balancing the needs and interests of the groups each council member represents with the best interest of the program overall

Council input is intended to help Ecology and the PRO carry out the law effectively, equitably, and in alignment with legislative intent.

# RRA Advisory Council Members

Member	Affiliation	Category Represented
Megan Daum	American Beverage Association	Producers/manufacturer trade association
Danielle Waterfield	AMERIPEN	Producers/manufacturer trade association
Casey Bouchard	Methow Recycles	Recycling facility
Jeff Zillich	WM	Recycling facility
Rick Vahl	Waste Connections	Solid waste collection/hauling
Amanda Dalton	Northwest Grocery Retail Association	Retailers of covered materials
Moji Igun	Zero Waste Washington	Statewide environmental organization
Ming-Ming Tung-Edelman	Refugee Artisan Initiative	CBO/environmental justice organization
Alissa Campbell	Recology	MRF
Jay Blazey	Cedar Grove	Compost facility/composting interests
Trace Bradburn	City of Spokane	Local government
McKenna Morrigan	Seattle Public Utilities	Local government
Becci Piepel	Douglas County Solid Waste	Local government
Grant Williams	Tribal Solid Waste Advisory Network	Tribal solid waste interests
Jocelyn Quarrell	Bold Reuse	Reuse / refill systems
Karen Hultgren	Pierce County	Other interested parties
Michael Liptack	Friday Harbor	Other interested parties
Peter Lyon	WA State Department of Ecology	Ecology representative (non-voting)
<b>NEW: Julie Gilbertson</b>	<b>CAA</b>	<b>PRO representative (non-voting)</b>

# Public Comment Process

- Attendees interested in providing verbal public comment should indicate their interest and specify their topic in the Q&A box only. Speakers are selected on a first-come, first-served basis and will be informed.
- Public comments are limited to the meeting's agenda items.
- Each person commenting will have a maximum of 2 minutes to speak. Speakers will have a timer to share their comments. It will ding when time is up and they will be automatically muted
- Public commenters may lose their time or future commenting privileges if they are off topic with the current agenda or are disruptive to the orderly conduct of the meeting (e.g., using hate speech, political rhetoric or promotional content).
- If time remains in the 10-minute public comment portion of the meeting, the facilitator will prompt for raised hands to speak in the remaining time.
- Participants may also submit their comments via email to [rraadvisorycouncil@cplusc.com](mailto:rraadvisorycouncil@cplusc.com).

# Conflicts of Interest

- Members must disclose any actual, potential, or perceived conflict of interest as soon as it arises and before participating in discussion of the relevant topic. Disclosures will be made verbally at the onset of meetings and/or in writing to the facilitation team prior to meetings.
- In most cases, disclosure alone is sufficient, and a council member can still participate in discussion after the disclosure is made.
- In the case of a conflict-of-interest disclosure where the member or their organization stands to receive a direct financial or regulatory benefit from a specific recommendation, the member will self-identify the conflict of interest and recuse themselves from participating in the discussion and from any vote related to that agenda item.
- In general, members should self-identify conflicts of interest and recuse themselves from discussion when appropriate. However, the council chair can also determine that a member has a conflict of interest and ask them to officially disclose the conflict, and if needed, recuse themselves from discussion. The vice chair may step into this role if the chair is the person with a conflict and they opt not to self-disclose or recuse themselves from discussion.

# ADVISORY COUNCIL OPERATIONS

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- CHAIR RE-VOTE
- APPROVE CODE OF ETHICS
- VICE-CHAIR VOTE

# Chair Nominations



McKenna Morigan, Seattle Public Utilities



Rick Vahl, Waste Connections

# Vote for Advisory Council Chair

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**USE CHAT TO VOTE**

**Vote Options: McKenna Morrigan, Rick Vahl or Abstain**

# Changes in Code of Ethics — Delegation

- If a member must miss a meeting, there are two options for participation:
  - They may request in writing to have a designated delegate from their organization attend in their place. **Designated delegates will have the power to vote in place of a member.** For smooth meeting operations, the facilitation team requests notification 2 business days in advance.

# Changes in Code of Ethics — Information Exchange

- Council and subcommittee members should be aware that all discussions had with other members outside of Council and subcommittee meetings are not considered official business.

# Vote to Approve: Code of Ethics

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**USE CHAT TO VOTE**

**Vote Options: Approve, Oppose or Abstain**

# Vote Advisory Council Vice-Chair

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**USE CHAT TO VOTE**

**Vote Options: Yay, Nay or Abstain**

# ECOLOGY UPDATES

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- OPMA TRAINING – KARA STEWARD, ECOLOGY
- OVERVIEW OF RRA RULEMAKING PROCESS – KARA STEWARD, ECOLOGY
- NEEDS ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW AND SCOPE – EMILY RHODES AND JESSICA LALLY, HDR
- STATEWIDE RECYCLING LISTS OVERVIEW – JESSICA BRANOM-ZWICK AND JULIE CERENZIA, CASCADIA CONSULTING GROUP; JOEL SCHOENING, RRS

# SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

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- CONFIRM ASSIGNMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS

# Subcommittee Interest

## Statewide List

- Karen Hultgren, Pierce County
- Becci Piepel, Douglas County  
Solid Waste
- Michael Liptack, Friday Harbor
- McKenna Morrigan, Seattle  
Public Utilities
- Alissa Campbell, Recology
- Danielle Waterfield,  
AMERIPEN
- Rick Vahl, Waste Connections
- Moji Igun, Zero Waste  
Washington

## Needs Assessment

- Jay Blazey, Cedar Grove
- Casey Bouchard, Methow  
Recycles
- McKenna Morrigan, Seattle  
Public Utilities
- Alissa Campbell, Recology
- Danielle Waterfield,  
AMERIPEN
- Rick Vahl, Waste Connections

## Equity

- Ming-Ming Tung-Edelman,  
Refugee Artisan Initiative
- Grant Williams, Tribal Waste  
Advisory Network

## **PUBLIC COMMENT (10 MINUTES)**

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- 2 MINUTES PER PERSON
- COMMENT MUST BE RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

# PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING CONTENT

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## Next Steps

- Meeting materials, including meeting notes and copies of the presentations today will be published on [RRAAdvisoryCouncil.org](http://RRAAdvisoryCouncil.org) in 10 days
  - Council will receive an email when it's up
- Upcoming meeting on April 29, 10-1pm. Meeting will be in hybrid format and folks will meet in-person at Seattle Municipal Tower.
  - Please confirm with Sam/Julie if you plan to attend in-person
- Confirm your interest in the three subcommittees and we will be in touch to confirm your interest and schedule meetings

# ADJOURN

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- NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 10-1:30PM @ SEATTLE MUNICIPAL TOWER AND VIA ZOOM