Recycling Administrative Rule Revision Update

Council on Recycling June 6, 2023

Since last update...

- Solicited/received feedback from
 - National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA) Badger Chapter (Apr)
 - WI Beverage Association (Apr)
 - MRFs and RUs (May)
- Continued rule drafting
 - Soliciting feedback from internal staff
 - Researching other states/municipal codes/ordinances
 - Utilizing groups like TRP, ASTSWMO, EPA
- New recycling code revision webpage (select "Proposed recycling rule" tab)

Targeted 'Affected Parties' Feedback Sessions

MRFs

- May 3, 10-12, Zoom
- ~20 MRFs in attendance (34 total attendees)
- Presented proposed MRF changes, goal/rationale, specific details
- Encouraged discussion, questions, comments
- Conducted polls on specific issues
- Topic areas covered:
 - OFR for MRFs
 - MRF Education
 - Self Certification Application
 - Outside Storage of Unbaled Material

- Contingency Plans
- Residual Rate Caps
- Category 30 (Residual) Tip Fee Exemption
- Container Glass Beneficial Reuse
- Hauler Tonnage Data Reporting to RUs

- OFR for MRFs-split between support and do not support/unsure
- MRF Education
 - Identify edu is for X facility (grandfather in existing)- majority support
 - Review contracted RU edu materials w/60 days- majority support
- Certification of operation, annual report for tonnage- majority support
- Containment of unbaled, outdoor material- majority support
- Contingency plans- majority support but ~50% suggest 48 hours is not the right short vs long term distinction (but no one suggested an alternative)

MRF Residual

- 20% total residual cap- majority support
- 30% residual cap for each landfill-banned material-split between support and do not support/unsure

Haulers Providing RU Data

- 1st asked: are you also a hauler? Yes- 50%
- Provide residential tonnage to all RUs by Feb. 1 (RUs would no longer need to make a written request and wait up to 4 weeks)- majority support
- Provide name of MRF(s) w/tonnage data and notify RU of change in MRF w/in a week- majority support

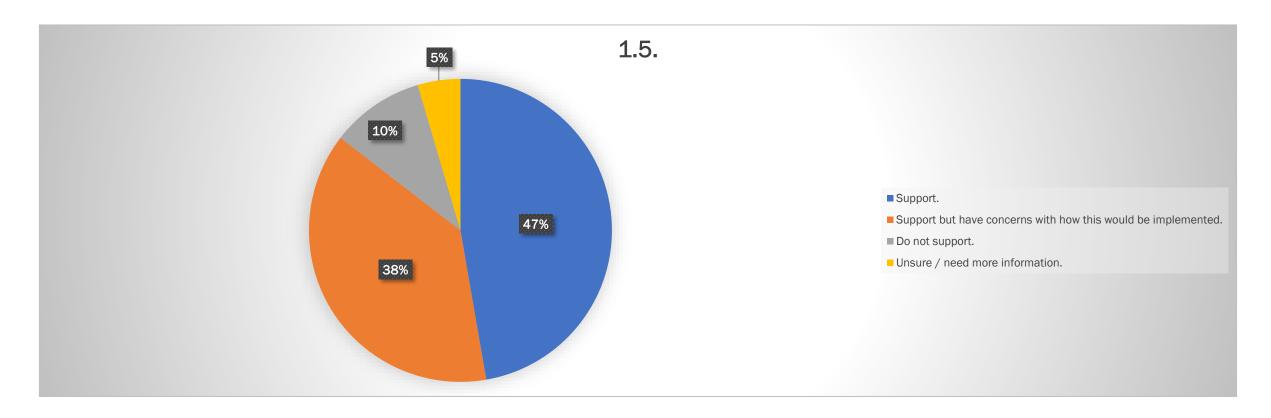
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Responsible Units (RUs)

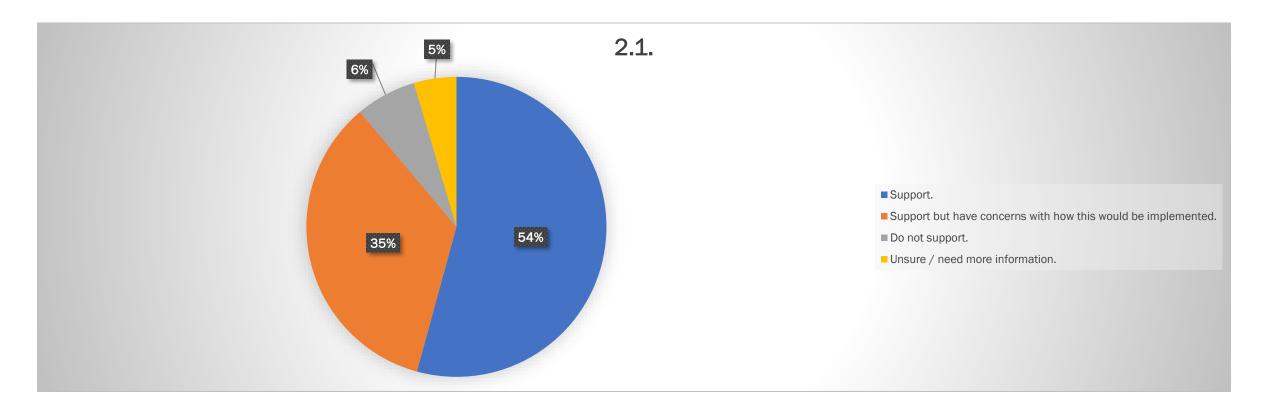
- May 8, 6-7 p.m., Zoom
- 34 participants
- May 10, noon- 1 p.m., Zoom
- 179 participants
- Presented proposed MRF changes, goal/rationale, specific details
- Conducted polls on specific issues, as well as discussion, questions, comments as time allowed
- Topic areas covered:
 - RU Education
 - Multi-family 'adequate' recycling
 - Collection Standard
 - RU annual report timeframe

Hauler tonnage data changes

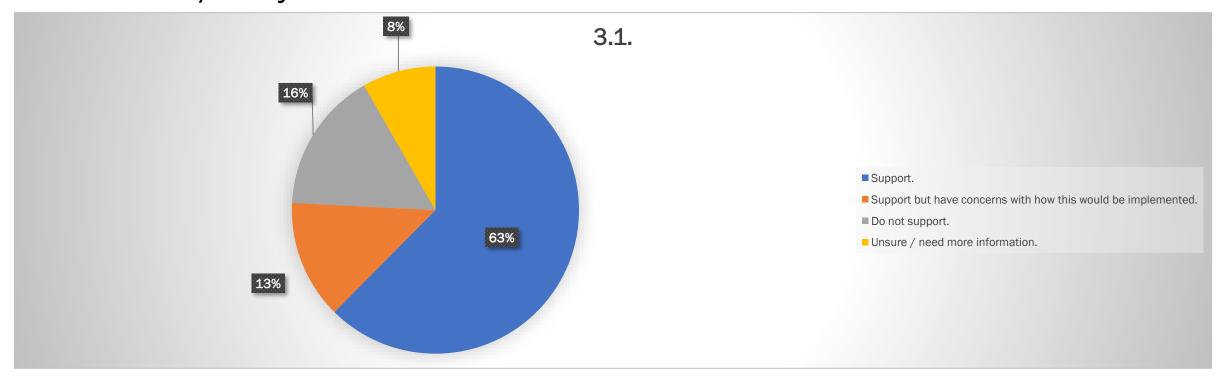
RUs to educate on food waste reduction/composting



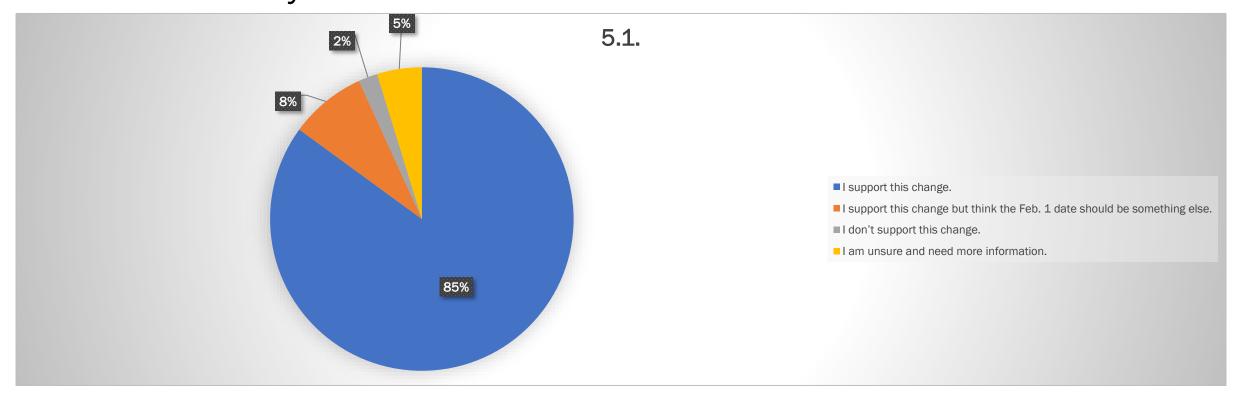
DNR define "adequate" in multi-family recycling



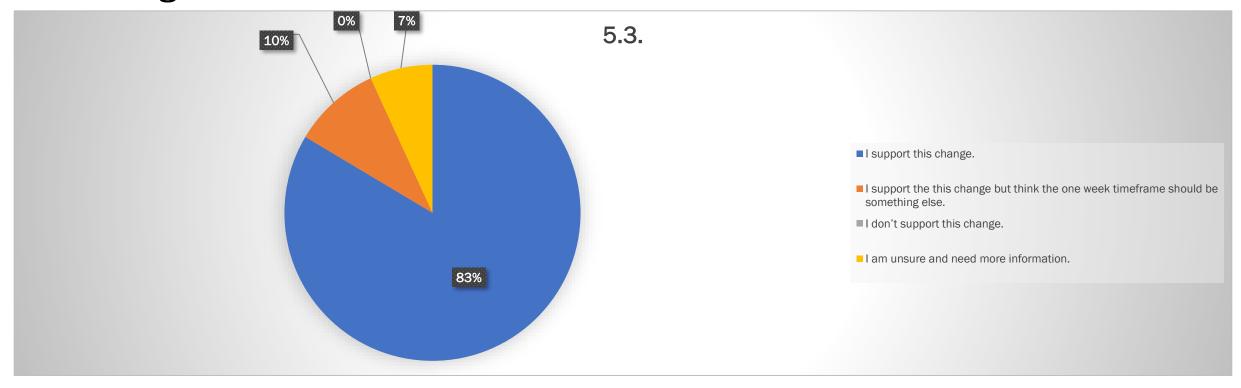
DNR combine RU Annual Report & Grant Application into late summer/early fall submittal



Require haulers to provide all RUs residential recycling tonnage information by Feb. 1



Require haulers to provide all RUs with name of MRF used & notify of change of MRF used within one week



Questions?

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