

SWANA Panel Discussion

Integrated Solid Waste Stakeholder Process

Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board

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- **Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington Counties and MPCA**
- **Mission: To increase the efficiency and environmental effectiveness of the region's solid waste management system**
- **Collaborate on policy initiatives, communications campaigns, and solid and hazardous waste programs**

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Stakeholder Perspective

- *Over 3 million tons of waste are generated in SWMCB region – approximately half of the State's waste*
- *In addition to GHG, counties are concerned with protecting the public health and reducing the toxicity of waste*
- *Committed to the hierarchy*
- *Counties have statutory obligations for the management of waste*
- *Counties have limited tools and resources to affect significant change*

Recommendations

Product Stewardship

- Priority for the SWMCB and pleased to see support for a Framework in the Report

Pricing Strategies

- Agree with aligning pricing signals with the hierarchy (volume based pricing, fees, etc.)

Recommendations

Setting of Goals

- Aggressive goals will need significant legislative leadership and corresponding financial incentives.

Organics

- Goal doubles current level; will require significant private/and or public investment

Recommendations

Not resolved

- Roles of public/private sector in the control of the waste stream
- WTE
- Toxicity reduction
- Non-MSW
- Financing

Impacts

SWMCB is using the recommendations as it works with the MPCA in the development of the Metropolitan Solid Waste Policy Plan