

Consideration of the Revised Los Angeles County Countywide Siting Element

Integrated Waste Management Task Force



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Background

- ∞ AB 939 requires each county to prepare a countywide siting element.
- ∞ The existing Siting Element was approved in 1998.
- ∞ This Revised Siting Element will replace the existing Siting Element.

Purpose of the Siting Element

- ∞ To describe how the County and Cities plan to manage the disposal of solid waste for a 15-year planning period.
- ∞ Establishes goals, policies, guidelines, and strategies for the proper planning and siting of landfills and alternative technology facilities.

Roles of the Task Force

- ∞ Assist and advise the county in preparation of the Siting Element, and review of these documents prior to circulation.
(Title 14, CCR Sections 18777 and 18779)
- ∞ Develop goals, policies, and procedures to guide the development of the Siting Element.
(Title 14, CCR Section 18755.1 and PRC 40950)
- ∞ Identify solid waste management issues of countywide or regional concern. (PRC 40950)

Goals in the Siting Element

- ☞ **Goal 1** **Extended producer responsibility and adequate markets**
- ☞ **Goal 2** **Source reduction, recycling, reuse, composting, public education, and alternative technologies**
- ☞ **Goal 3** **Waste diversion by facility operators**
- ☞ **Goal 4** **Recycle and reuse inert waste, dispose of inert waste at inert waste landfills, use green waste and other appropriate materials for landfill daily cover**

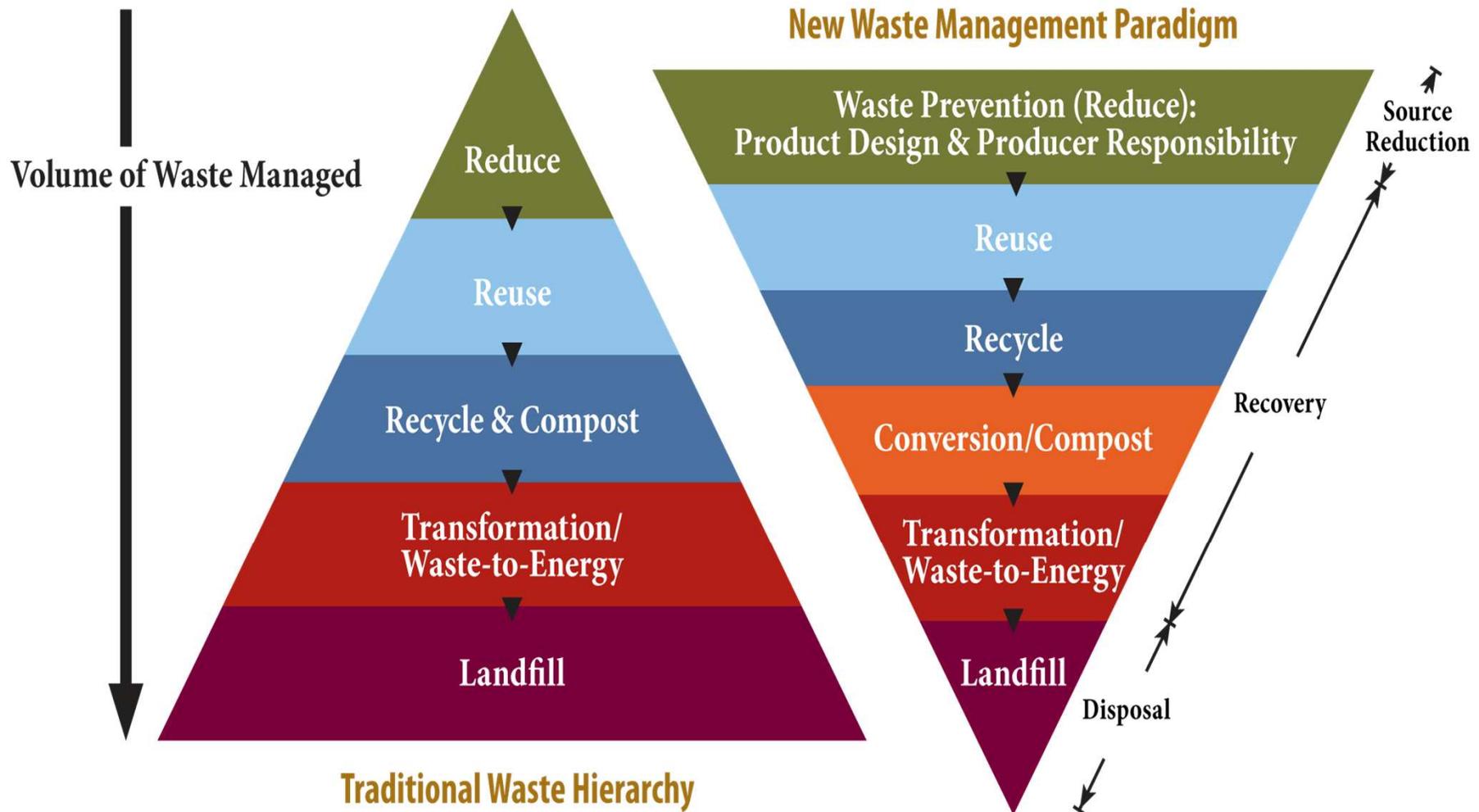
Goals in the Siting Element

- ∞ Goal 5 Efficient and economical public/private solid waste management system
- ∞ Goal 6 Alternative technologies as alternatives to landfill disposal
- ∞ Goal 7 Siting criteria for the development of solid waste management facilities.
- ∞ Goal 8 Solid waste disposal needs during the 15-year planning period

Key Comments Received Requiring Discussion

- ∞ Include a section that quantifies existing and future green waste capacity needs of the County, and identify in-County and out-of-County green waste management infrastructure.
- ∞ Consider “conversion/recovery” technologies as a technology under the “alternative technologies” umbrella.
- ∞ New waste management paradigm should keep the “Recycle and Compost” tier intact, and combine “Conversion” with “Transformation/Waste-to-Energy.”

New Waste Management Paradigm



Thank You

Request direction to proceed.