RTOC SOLID WASTE WORKGROUP AGENDA

Date: Thursday October 23, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM

Facilitators: Rob Roy (La Jolla) Travis Robinett (EPA Region 9)

Discussion Topic		
RTOC SWW Feedback Session & Open Discussion	The SWW is collecting ideas and feedback to help plan for the next fiscal year and into the future. Information will be collected from those in attendance, both in person and virtually.	FY26 RTOC Solid Waste Workgroup F
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Resource Highlights	Updated EPA Guide to Illegal Dumping Prevention: Download the Illegal Dumping Prevention guide	
	Compost and Soil Contamination and Remediation Toolkit: Click here to view the toolkit and related resources	
	Educational resources to Tackle School Food Waste for Children: Too Good To Go Next Gen	
	ReFED Report on Consumer Food Waste Reduction Strategies: Understanding Consumer Food Waste in the U.S. and Strategies to Reduce It	
	Call2Recycle Battery Disposal Locator: Dropoff Locations Find battery disposal options near you for rechargeable, single-use, e-bike, cellphone, and high-energy batteries	
	Thermostat Care – Mercury Thermostat Rebate Program (California Only) – \$30 rebate per mercury thermostat for Californians through EPR program. More info & location finder here: Thermostat Care	
	Free disposal (drop off, no rebate) options for NV & AZ: <u>List of State Locations</u>	
Funding Opportunities	SWIFR NOFO for Tribes and Intertribal Consortia More info here: SWIFR Grants for Tribes and Intertribal Consortia. Webinar on 10/7/2025: Register. This will be recorded and available afterward.	

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Training & Networking Opportunities	GROW Tribal Composters Forum meetings: October 15 th – Managing food waste at casinos • Gun Lake Tribe, Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians: Shawn McKenney presents on using EPA SWIFR grant funds to expand their current management of food waste from five casino restaurants with a large-scale food waste digester. • Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut: Jean McInnis will share their approach to managing scrap food generated by the casino to feed pigs. November 18th – Engaging the community • Stockbridge-Munsee Community: From how it started, grew, and is run, Makena Arndt will offer insights into the challenges they've faced and the successes they've seen with their program. • Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians: Caroline Moellering and Sheila Hart will present on how they're engaging residents, conducting home composting workshops, and expanding backyard composting with compost tumblers with this EPA SWIFR grant supported project. E-mail Stephenson.Jenny@epa.gov to request a meeting invite and to join the GROW network! SWANA Trainings: EPA & IHS on-demand training courses available to Tribal staff through the Solid Waste Association of North America. • SWANA Home • Find a Course • Account Registration • Questions: Shari Windt (505) 206-4471 Shari.Windt@ihs.gov	
	 a. How to Sign Up? Fill out the <u>online form</u> to help shape peer matches in 2025. Apply to be a mentor or mentee. b. Questions? Visit the EPA's <u>National Tribal Waste Management Peer Matching Program</u> website for full program details. c. Check out this <u>fact sheet to learn more</u> d. Email: <u>TribalPeerMatch@epa.gov</u> 	
Closing Remarks & Adjourn		

Next Meeting: January 20, 2025 10:30 A.M. (tentative)