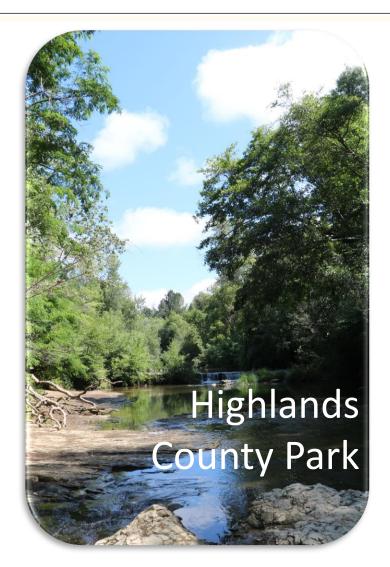
Zero Waste Parks









WHAT IS ZERO WASTE?

A goal that is ethical, economical, efficient and visionary to guide people in changing their lifestyles and practices to emulate sustainable natural cycles, where all discarded materials are designed to become resources for others to use, to eliminate all discharges to land, water or air that are a threat to planetary, human, animal or plant health



3. ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Special events provide a unique opportunity for the County to teach its residents, businesses, and visitors about Zero Waste. County-sponsored events should practice Zero Waste activities such as water stations instead of bottled water, recycling collection (including separate organics diversion) and the use of compostable products for plates and silverware at food areas. Our new franchise agreement will require the franchise hauler to provide assistance with zero-waste public events. Special events permitted by the County should be required to include Zero Waste practices as part of the permitting procedure. The County could also develop a resource kit to assist event organizers in reducing the waste generated at their events. pg 10

What Goes Where?



BEN LOMOND TRANSFER STATION-BL



BUENA VISTA LANDFILL-BV



YARD WASTE BV & BL Keith Day, Inc.



FOOD WASTE- Windrows MRWMD- Marina, CA

GREENWASTE RECOVERY

Materials Recovery Facility-MRF RECYCLING SORTING

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zmMAIYMfw9k

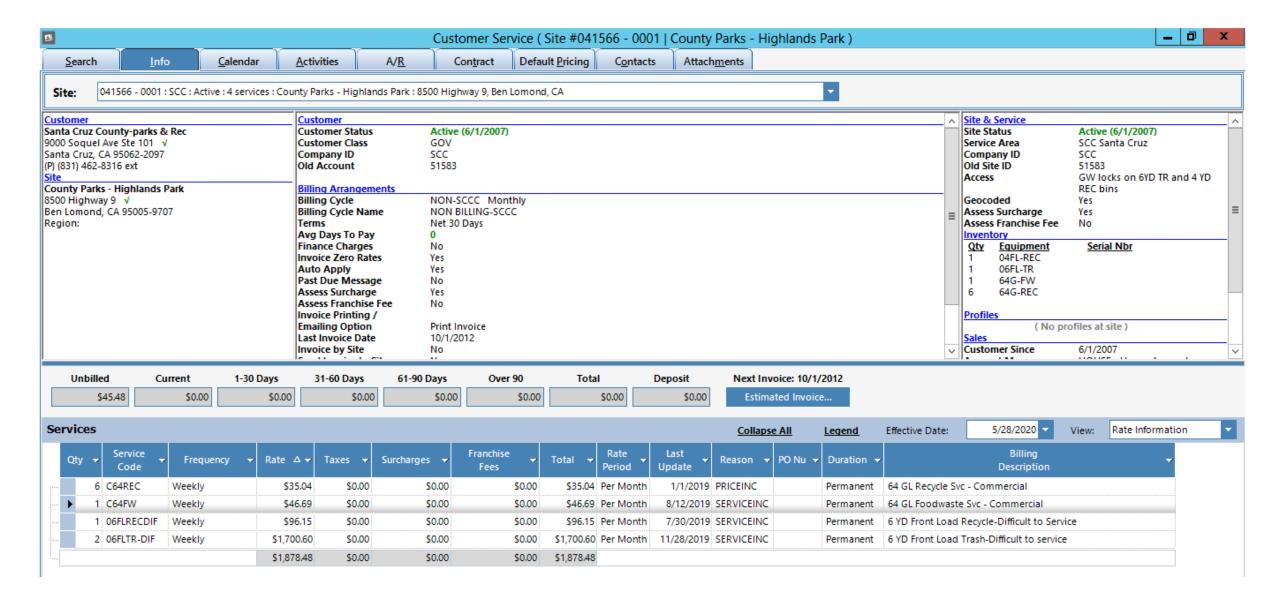
HOW IS THE COUNTY GOING TO DO THIS? CalRecycle



- 1. Supporting legislation and adopting policies that require minimized environmental impacts and reduce the waste stream;
 - a. AB 341- MANDATORY RECYCLING-2012
 - b. AB 1826 MANDATORY ORGANICS RECYCLING INLUDING FOOD WASTE-2016
 - c. SB 1383- SHORT-LIVED CLIMATE POLLUTANTS ORGANIC FOOD WASTE METHANE EMISSION REDUCTIONS: 75% REDUCTION BY 2025 INCLUDED EDIBLE FOOD RECOVERY AND ENFORCEMENT
 - d. AB 827 July 1, 2020- Businesses open to the public must provide adjacent trash, recycling and compost containers (if they provide food), clearly marked-
 - e. LITTER REDUCTION IN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY:
 - i. 25 Cent charge on disposable cups, mylar balloons, contact lenses, microfibers, hotel toiletries, plastic bag ordinance, safe disposal for sharps.
- 2. Ensuring that facilities and infrastructure are in place to properly manage all recovered materials;
 - a. Future of our landfill- added diversion area for public use to extend the life of the landfill
 - b. Prepping for the landfill to become to a Transfer Station as it closes in the next 5-7 years
- 3. Continuing to implement activities and programs that support the County's Zero Waste Policy
 - a. Environmentally acceptable packaging b. EPR- Extended Producer Responsibility
- 4. Fostering sustainable green practices and business, such as Green Business Certification.
- 5. Educating and engaging businesses, schools, organizations, public agencies and residents to encourage zero waste behavior change. (Public Outreach educations, Green School educations, and environmental partners)

GREEN WASTE RECOVERY account for: Monthly invoice \$1,878.48

Highlands Park in Ben Lomond Annual Park Savings of \$22,541.76



THE NUMBER OF TONS WE TRASH A MONTH



On average in Santa Cruz County Parks Trash 1364 yards or about 370 tons per month or 4440 tons a year.

Contamination in Trash:

- > FOOD- unused or trashed food; increase tons due to the weight
- > **RECYCLING** plastic water bottles, cans, & glass bottles increase tons due to weight

Food and Recycling products out of Trash would help environment by:

- ➤ Less use of Virgin products from our planet
- Less Methane from anaerobic decomposing of food in landfill
- > Food would be returned to usable soil
- > Save room in our own Landfill and save money and time



Zero Waste Parks Begin Best Practices



Require with Park facility rentals to secure additional service by GreenWaste Recovery including:



Rental of a Monitored
Waste Sorting Stations
(MWSS) at events
(add can for liquids):
staff or volunteers

PARKS TO DO'S

Waste disposal educational materials and signage included in Park rental and event agreements to prevent contamination of Recycle, Composting, and Trash

Add Daily Visual
Audits of Disposal
Cans: minimum of
two times a day by
Team to prevent
contamination.

Schedule ongoing training for staff with DPW Establish an internal Zero Waste Task Force Team

Manage your organics: food and yard waste



Provide availability to rent a three steam system for rentals with food service.







- · Aerosol can (empty, non-toxic)
- · Aluminum foil, foil trays, pans
- · Auto parts (oil drained) · Beverage cons and lids
- · Chicken wire
- · Coat hangers

- · Doors and screens
- · Food cans and lids
- · Fuel tanks(empty, valve off)
- · Paint cans (empty, no wet paint-open and air-dry B-4)
- · Pet food cans and lids
- · Pipes and plumbing fixtures
- · Pots and pans
- · Nuts and bolts
- · Scrap metal

· Screws and nails

- Tools
- · Toys and sporting goods

· Prescription bottle (must be empty)

· Shampoo and conditioner bottles

· Produce and shopping bags

· Food containers, bags and

- · Umbrellas
- Utensils

GLASS

- · Beverage bottles
- · Broken glass

· Beverage bottles

- · Dishware (non-ceramic)
- · Food iars

· Windows

· Wine bottles

Shelving

pouches

· Squeezable bottles

· Swimming pools

- · Coat hangers · Coffee-cup lids
- · Coolers and ice chests
- · Crates
- · Bread bags
- · Bubble wrap

PLASTIC AND FILM PLASTICS*

· Baby wipe container (empty)

· Buckets

Baskets

· Candles

· Appliances

Calculators

· Books

· Coffee cups

Coupons

· Colored paper

· Aseptic containers*

· Cardboard (unwaxed)

- · CDs and DVDs

SMALL ELECTRONIC WASTE

Cameras

· Egg cartons

· Food packaging

Envelopes

- · Disposable razors
- · Dry cleaning and
- newspaper bags
- · Cellophane bags
- · Flower pots

· Computer mouse's

· Plastic Furniture

- · Hoses
- · Household cleaner bottles (non-toxic)
- · Mouthwash containers
- · Pet carriers
- · Pipe · Plastics shrink-wrap
- · Plastic or wax liners

· Inkjet cartridges (bagged)

bags

Keyboards

· PDAs · Phones

- · Magazines and catalogs
- · Frozen food boxes
- · Gift wrap and tissue paper

- · Juice and milk cartons
- Newspaper · Paper cups, plates and
- · Photographs
- · Pizza boxes (clean)
- · Shredded paper (tie in clear plastic
- · Telephone books
- · White paper

GREEN WASTE RECYCLE SERVICE

This service is different from the Santa Cruz City because it is a larger business Hauler and has more buyers of many more types of recyclable products! These commodities are used in making more products instead of using virgin stock.

Recyclables in Bins should not be in bags and should be loose to easier sorting at the MRF.

Empty. Clean. Dry.





You do not have to WASH a recyclable, just be sure to **Empty**. excess unwanted product and wipe out to **Clean**. and shake to **Dry**. off excess moisture!!

https://youtu.be/r2CaM0fXZy0

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Buena Vista Landfill Diversion Guide

To Save Time - Sort Your Load First!



















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ARE YOUIN?

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