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## CITIES RACE TO ZERO WASTE WORKSHOP

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***How cities can send less to the landfill and Lower Greenhouse Gas Emissions***  
**October 21, 2015**  
**Hosted by City of Lafayette**  
**3675 Mt Diablo Blvd # 210, Lafayette**



- 8:00** *Complimentary Coffee and Pastries. Check-in and Networking.*
- 8:30** *Introductions: Lynda Deschambault (4CL), Councilmember Don Tatzin (Lafayette)*
- 8:45** *Update on Solid Waste Regulations and State Law: Kathleen Strickley (CalRecycle)*
- 9:15** *The GHG and Garbage Connection: Nick Lapis (Californians Against Waste)*
- 9:45** *Break*
- 10:00** *County wide discussion and Updates on Contra Costa: Deidra Dingman (Contra Costa County)*
- 10:20** *How Cities can Reach Zero Waste: Kevin Drew (Department of SF)*
- 10:50** *Local Government Perspectives*  
*Commercial Food Recycling Case Study: Kimberly Lam (Republic Services)*  
*Informal Cities Sharing Time: Lafayette, Antioch, El Cerrito, San Ramon, Brentwood*
- 11:30** *Wrap up: Next Steps, Handouts, Resources and Tools*
- 11:45** *Networking Opportunities. Luncheon Snacks available.*

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Your ideas and questions are always welcome! (925) 631-0597 or [info@cccclimateleaders.org](mailto:info@cccclimateleaders.org)



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### Abstract and Bios

- **Update on Solid Waste Regulations and State Law:** (California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery-CalRecycle) Ms. Strickley provides an overview of the State's past and present recycling laws and where we're heading; A snapshot will review of how Contra Costa County is doing compared to the Bay Area and to the State as a whole. Attainment of disposal targets, is readily available online <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Reports/Jurisdiction/ReviewReports.aspx>. Ms. Strickley will also provide an overview for Understanding SB 1016 Solid Waste Per Capita Disposal. The State no longer uses diversion rate as city compliance measurement, they now measure using pounds per person per day (PPD) disposal.

Kathleen Strickley, CalRecycle has a BA Environmental Scientist Assigned to CCC cities: Moraga, Lafayette, Orinda, Walnut Creek, Danville (CCCSWA) And Alameda County: Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin, Hayward, Newark, Union City, Fremont. Single mother of a 6-year old boy, enjoys traveling when possible, cycling regularly, live music, craft beer, and foods of all kinds.  
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- **The GHG and Garbage Connection:** (Californians Against Waste) The disposal and treatment of waste can produce emissions of several greenhouse gases (GHGs), which contribute to a city's municipal and community wide emissions. The most significant GHG gas produced from waste is methane. It is released during the breakdown of organic matter such as food waste in landfills. Other forms of waste disposal also produce GHGs but these are mainly in the form of carbon dioxide (a less powerful GHG). Even the recycling of waste produces some emissions (although these are offset by the reduction in fossil fuels that would be required to obtain new raw materials). A discussion of the state's efforts to reduce climate impacts through waste reduction and recycling and the important role of local governments to lead this effort.

Nick is a Legislative Coordinator, with CAW since 2007. An advocate for strong waste reduction and recycling policies, he has helped pass several landmark pieces of legislation. BS in Environmental Biology and Management (minoring in Environmental Policy and Political Science) at the University of California, Davis and interned for Coalition for Clean Air and the legislative unit of California State Parks. He has also worked on ecological restoration and environmental leadership through several positions at the Golden Gate National Parks. When he is not talking trash (or at a local coffee shop), Nick can usually be found exploring Northern California's culinary diversity and public lands Nick Lapis [nicklapis@cawrecycles.org](mailto:nicklapis@cawrecycles.org) (916) 443-5422

- **County wide discussion and Updates on Contra Costa:** (Contra Costa County) will provide a brief overview of local agency roles and collaborative approach to integrated waste management planning. Ms. Dingman will touch on which cities are directly involved and which rely on one of the two Joint Powers Authorities which are responsible for implementing/administering certain integrated waste management services/programs on behalf of member cities. She will also share updates regarding the County's climate action plan and Countywide informational resources and a quick review of the website ([www.cccrecycle.org](http://www.cccrecycle.org)) that provides local reuse and recycling services and a list of the recycling collection services [www.cccrecycle.org/options/](http://www.cccrecycle.org/options/).

Deidra Dingman received a BA in Environmental Studies and Planning from Sonoma State University. Deidra has worked for Contra Costa County for over twenty years. She has been responsible for solid waste projects and programs since originally hired as an Intern soon after graduating. Ms. Dingman is the Conservation Programs Manager who oversees unincorporated area and countywide programs and supervises three full-time Planners responsible for a variety of solid waste and energy programs. Deidra Dingman [Deidra.Dingman@dcd.cccounty.us](mailto:Deidra.Dingman@dcd.cccounty.us); (925) 674-7203

- **How Cities can Reach Zero Waste:** (Department of SF): San Francisco has established itself as a global leader in waste management. The city will discuss how it has achieved 80 percent waste diversion, the highest in the United States, with a 3 pronged approach: enacting strong legislation, partnering with a like-minded waste management company to innovate new programs, and working to create a culture of recycling and composting through incentives and outreach. <http://www.no-burn.org/downloads/ZW%20San%20Francisco.pdf>

Kevin Drew has >26 years experience including directing non-profit recycling and reuse operations and shaping resource conservation policy at local and statewide levels. In San Francisco's Zero Waste Kevin oversees the Fantastic 3 residential collection program, which diverts 100,000 tons of recyclables and 50,000 tons of organics each year. Kevin works closely with SFE's Environment Now (EN) and manages the Zero Waste and Urban Sustainability grant program which has distributed up to \$1,000,000 to non-profits annually. Creating green collar jobs and more! [kevin.drew@sfgov.org](mailto:kevin.drew@sfgov.org) (415) 355-3732



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- CCCSWA/RecycleSmart: Commercial Food Recycling and update on residential food scraps [klam2@republicservices.com](mailto:klam2@republicservices.com)
- Lafayette: setting and meeting 75% by 2020! (businesses/schools, recycle lafayette campaign, etc) [mcass@ci.lafayette.ca.us](mailto:mcass@ci.lafayette.ca.us)
- Antioch: Outreach using creative reuse projects (costume exchange, city-wide garage sales, etc); [ahaas-wajdowicz@ci.antioch.ca.us](mailto:ahaas-wajdowicz@ci.antioch.ca.us)
- El Cerrito: City owned reuse and recycling center (benefits, history, lessons learned); [msanders@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us](mailto:msanders@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us)
- San Ramon: multifamily complex program , to door-door HHW program [dkrueger@sanramon.ca.gov](mailto:dkrueger@sanramon.ca.gov)
- Brentwood: First adoptrs of curbside singlestream; Neighborhood cleanup program and more; [jcarlson@brentwoodca.gov](mailto:jcarlson@brentwoodca.gov)

