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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Bureau of Waste Management

# Overview of the Bureau of Waste Management

Solid Waste Advisory Committee

May 16, 2013

# Organizational Chart



# Division of Municipal & Residual Waste

- **General permits**
  - New and renewal of general permits for the processing of waste prior to beneficial use and the beneficial use of municipal and residual waste
  - Some registrations
- **Regulation development and interpretation**
- **Technical guidance**
- **Fact sheets**

# Division of Municipal & Residual Waste

- **Tire hauler authorizations**
- **Coproduct determinations**
- **Landfill TENORM tracking/tritium tracking**
- **Coordinate projects with other DEP Bureaus**
- **Independent evaluation of permit applications**

# Division of Waste Minimization & Planning

- **Municipal Recycling**

- 477 local governments overall required to recycle under Act 101
- 1,480 communities voluntarily recycle for a total of 1,957 municipalities who are currently recycling
- Nearly 12M Pennsylvanians actively recycle

# Division of Waste Minimization & Planning

- **Act 101 Grants**

- Section 901, County Planning Grants
- Section 902, Recycling Program Development and Implementation Grants
- Section 903, County Recycling Coordinator Grants
- Section 904, Recycling Performance Grants
- Section 1102, Host Inspectors Grants
- Section 1110, Independent Evaluation of Permit Grants

# Division of Waste Minimization & Planning

- **Section 902 Grants**

- \$19.6M budgeted in FY 12/13 and FY13/14 to support local government Municipal Recycling Implementation Grants
- 2013 applications due May 31, 2013
- Reimbursement, competitive grant program
- Primarily funds equipment-related costs
- Reduction in available grant funds due to decrease in fees collected

# Division of Waste Minimization & Planning

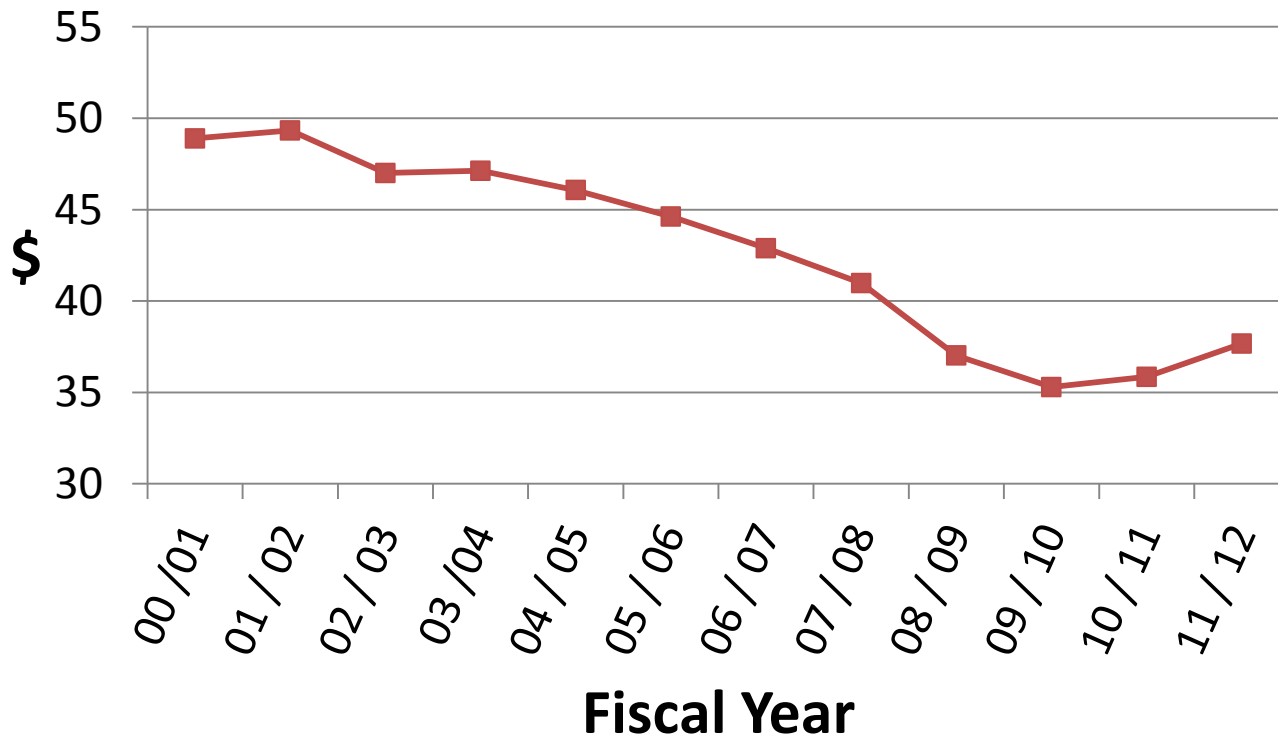
- **Section 904 Grants**

- Recycling Performance Grants available to all local governments with recycling programs
- Grant rewards communities based on materials recycled each year
- \$16.5m budgeted for FY12/13 and FY13/14
- Applications due September 30, 2013 for materials collected in calendar year 2012



# Division of Waste Minimization & Planning

## Recycling Fee (\$ Millions/Year)



# Division of Hazardous Waste

- **Oversees implementation of PA's Hazardous Waste Program**
  - Facility permit program conducted by Regional Offices
  - Inspections and enforcement activities conducted by Regional Offices
  - PA's Hazardous Waste Program is authorized by U.S. EPA to be implemented in lieu of the federal program.

# Division of Hazardous Waste

- **Provides regulatory assistance and interpretation to regulated entities, Regional Office staff, and the public**
  - Hazardous waste determination issues
  - Hazardous waste recycling exclusions & exemptions
  - Interfaces with the federal hazardous waste program and PA's residual waste program
  - Assures statewide consistency to the maximum extent possible

# Division of Hazardous Waste

- **Ensures that the obligations and commitments of PA's U.S. EPA hazardous waste agreement are fulfilled**
  - Permit obligations for hazardous waste storage, treatment & disposal facilities (issuances, re-issuances, modifications)
  - Compliance assistance, monitoring & enforcement
  - Waste minimization and sustainability efforts
  - Corrective action work-sharing efforts in conjunction with EPA Region 3

# Division of Reporting & Fee Collection

- **Processes Quarterly Operations and Fee Reports**
  - Hazardous Waste Transportation Reports (HSCA Fund)
  - Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Reports (HSCA Fund)
  - Municipal Waste Landfill and Resource Recovery Reports (Recycling Fund and Environmental Stewardship Fund)

# Division of Reporting & Fee Collection

- **Processes Biennial Reports**
  - Hazardous Waste Biennial Reports
  - Hazardous Waste Facility Plan
  - Residual Waste Biennial Reports
- **Processes Hazardous Waste Manifests**
- **Works with Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful**
- **Right to Know Requests**

# Division of Reporting & Fee Collection

- **Waste Transportation Safety Program**
  - Vehicles > 17,000 GVR or Trailers > 10,000 transporting waste to a PA processing or disposal facility must be authorized.
  - Currently:
    - 38,247 authorized vehicles.
    - \$3 million/year in revenue.
    - Supports DEP and PSP inspections.

# Program Development & Support

- **Assists the Divisions with Special Projects**
  - Regulatory Revisions
  - Updates to technical guidance documents, policies, procedures, and fact sheets
  - Permit Decision Guarantee
  - Promote program consistency
  - Waste Planning
    - Landfill capacity
    - TENORM tracking & data analysis



# Program Development & Support

- **Host Municipal Inspector Program**
  - Provide certification training
  - Review grant applications
- **SWAC/RFAC**
  - Coordinate and organize meetings
  - Obtain necessary approvals
  - Approve travel-related expenses
  - Administration of Bylaws

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