

Maine Climate Council Materials Management Task Force

January 26, 2024
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Held via Zoom (not recorded)

Please refer to [MMTF webpage](#).

Present:

- Co-Chair: Melanie Loyzim, Maine Department of Environmental Protection
- Co-Chair: Cynthia Eisenhower, UMaine/Sen. George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions
- Facilitator: David Plumb, Consensus Building Institute
- Staff: Megan Mansfield-Pryor, Maine Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
- Presenters: Co-Chair Isenhour, Nathan Robbins, Maine Department of Environmental Protection, and Wesley Ingwerson, U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development
- Task Force Members in attendance:
 - Mark Draper, Aroostook Waste Solutions
 - Toni King, Casella Waste Systems
 - Abbie Webb, Casella Waste Systems
 - Kate Tomkins, Chickadee Compost
 - Heather Steeves, Goodwill Northern New England
 - George Parmenter, Hannaford Supermarkets
 - Dan Wojciechowski, IDEXX Laboratories
 - Alex Zipparo, Island Institute
 - Lane Gould, Maine Bureau of General Services
 - Carla Hopkins, Maine Department of Environmental Protection
 - Josh Bossin, Maine GearShare
 - Victor Horton, Maine Resource Recovery Association
 - Mike Carroll, Municipal Review Committee
 - Vanessa Berry, Natural Resources Council of Maine
 - Scott Reed, Nine Dragons Paper Holdings Limited (ND Paper)
 - Melissa Lavoie, Northeast Waste Management Officials' Association (NEWMOA)
 - Juliana Beecher, Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) Fellow
 - Chuck Loring, Penobscot Nation
 - Ben Chesler, Roux Institute
 - Susanne Lee, UMaine/Sen. George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions
 - Reed Miller, UMaine/Sen. George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions
 - Sydney Harris Upstream
 - Alison McKellar, Town of Camden Selectboard

- Members of the public and partner organizations attended, but not are not listed individually.

Meeting Minutes

- 1:00p.m. to 1:30p.m. -- Welcome and introductions
 - Co-Chairs introduced themselves and briefly discussed why Task Force had been convened.
 - All present introduced themselves and shared their background related to materials management.
- 1:30p.m. to 1:55p.m. -- Task Force topics and goals discussion
 - Task Force staff provided brief background presentation Maine Climate Council and Climate Goals.
 - Open discussion
 - Commissioner Loyzim noted this Task Force must focus on reducing emissions generated in Maine for the purposes of reporting back to the Climate Council, as [per Maine statute guiding emissions reduction efforts](#).
 - Topics were discussed and prioritized.
- 1:55p.m. to 2:05p.m. -- Task Force timeline review
 - A proposed plan for topics to cover at our February-June meetings, called MMTF Topics Outline, was reviewed and provided for Task Force feedback in the shared folder.
- 2:10p.m. to 2:45p.m. -- Consumption-Based Emissions Inventory overview presentation
 - Dr. Isenhour provided a brief overview of how materials management ties in with climate work.
 - Nathan Robbins, Maine DEP, provided an overview of Maine's previous climate work, and highlighted past focus on materials management as well as ongoing work to assess consumption-based emissions.
 - Wesley Ingwerson, EPA, presented an overview of what a consumption-based emissions inventory (CBEI) is, how it is measured, and provided preliminary results for Maine's CBEI.
 - Presentations were followed by Q&A
- 2:45p.m. to 3:00p.m. -- Wrap up, reminder of upcoming meeting on [February 16th](#).

Reminders:

- Detailed informal meeting notes including timing of discussions are provided in the [January MMTF folder](#), which is accessible to all members and to the public upon request.
- Reach out to Megan Mansfield-Pryor (megan.mansfieldpryor@maine.gov) for any additional input.