

Investing in America through the  
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law  
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling  
State and Territory Grant Fact Sheet  
**California**



### Grant Recipient Information

**Name:** California Department of Resources  
Recycling and Recovery

### EPA Information

**Region:** EPA Region 9

### Highlights

- Evaluate the local sectors involved in waste management to assess the feasibility of implementing a zero waste plan.
- Understand and incorporate rural community zero waste strategies into a statewide zero waste plan.

### Overview of California's Planned Activities

California will focus on incorporating rural needs into California's zero waste plan. They will examine current waste management practices and local government resources, engaging communities to better understand needs specific to their local economies, geography, and demographics. California will analyze data to gather materials flow data from transfer, processing, and disposal facilities in rural counties and engage with local governments.

California will also assess opportunities to implement zero waste strategies in rural counties and stimulate job creation in the circular economy through enhanced recycling, composting, material diversion, and reuse/refill infrastructure. They will also develop methods to measure the progress and success of such a plan in those counties.

### SWIFR Grants for States and Territories

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding can be used to develop or update plans to advance post-consumer materials management, implement those plans, and to improve data collection efforts. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to California once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

### SWIFR Community Grant Fact Sheet

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