



Subject: State Recycling Requirements for Businesses and Multi-Family Communities

As of July 1, 2012 California State law requires the following business to arrange for recycling services:

- Any business that generates 4 cubic yards or more of waste per week; and
- Multi-Family dwellings with five or more units. Note: California State law requires apartment owners to offer recycling services at resident(s) request. Apartment owners may require tenants to recycle.

Businesses and Multi-Family communities that meet the threshold must recycle at the place of work or jobsite. The following are recycling options to comply with the new mandate:

- Subscribe to the recycling collection service of Green Waste of Tehama, contact 528-8500
- Donate recyclable materials to a recycling company. Contact North Valley Services for free paper recycling at 528-3035 or donate to another recycling company
- Self-haul recyclable material to the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill for free, if all items are recyclable and segregated from trash; or
- Self-haul recyclables to a local recycling center (e.g. Big Foot Recycling, Rob's Recycling etc.)

Recycling service provided by Green Waste of Tehama includes single-stream recycling and costs half as much as garbage service. You simply place all of your recyclables (cans, bottles, plastic, paper, cardboard, etc.) in the dumpster. No segregation of recyclables is necessary. In many instances you can reduce your garbage service by implementing recycling.

Be sure to educate your employees or tenants! Employees and tenants are the key to commercial recycling success. Please ensure your staff and tenants know which materials can be recycled and where to place the recyclable materials for temporary storage and ultimate collection.

You can also take part in the Tehama County Smart Business Alliance (SBA) and receive incentives (including free deskside recycling bins while supplies last and free advertising) by recycling and reducing your wastestream. For more information about commercial recycling or the SBA, please contact me at 528-1103 or email [TC4R@clearwire.net](mailto:TC4R@clearwire.net). We are here to help you!

Sincerely,

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