

# Physical Contaminants: CalRecycle Regulations

17<sup>th</sup> Technical Training Series
Long Beach Hyatt
Long Beach, California

April 6, 2017

Ken Decio
Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)

### Physical Contaminants: Green Material



## Physical Contaminants: Food Material











#### **Compost Operations & Facilities**

0.5% by weight

• Film plastic - no more than 20% of 0.5% (0.1%)

 Regulation becomes effective on January 1, 2018

#### **Chipping and Grinding Operations & Facilities**

Must sample material to determine % of physical contaminants.

- Must keep records of physical contaminants results.
- Regulation becomes effective on January 1, 2018.



#### **Measuring Physical Contaminants**

- CalRecycle will develop field methodology to determine % of physical contaminants in compost & chipped and ground material.
- Operators will use field methodology to determine % of physical contaminants (compost & chipped and ground).
- Enforcement Agency can require operator to send sample to laboratory to determine % of physical contaminants (compost only).

### Summary

#### **Physical Contaminants**

• 0.5% by weight

Film plastic - no more than 20% of 0.5% (0.1%)

Regulation becomes effective on January 1, 2018

```
SU MO TU WE TH FR SA

1 2 3 4 5 6
7 8 9 10 11 12 13
14 15 16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24 25 26 27
28 29 30 31 1 2 3
4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

## Questions?