

“Cal Green” Codes Require Recycling at Construction Sites

Beginning January 1, 2011, new “Cal Green” Building Codes requires (all) structures to recycle 50% of the waste generated by construction. In addition, San Luis Obispo County Code requires you to recycle 50% of the waste from demolition projects. Waste includes anything you discard from the site, such as wood scraps, cardboard, flashing, paint or other finishing products, tools, drywall, concrete, asphalt, plastic bags, remnants of insulation, etc. There are companies (some are listed here) that can recycle for you, or you can do it yourself.



Two Choices

Before you receive a County permit you must tell the County how you will handle the project’s waste stream.

Your choices are: **a)** use one or more of the eight certified Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA) facilities or, **b)** use some other facility. These choices are shown on the County Building Department’s Permit Application, above the signature area. If you don’t fill that section out, issuing your permit will be delayed while a letter is sent requesting the information.

With either choice, at the end of your project you must submit all the receipts from the waste and recycling facilities before you receive your Final Building Inspector Approval.

If you decide to use a facility that is not IWMA-certified, then you need to fill out an extra form (the Detailed Recycling Plan form) before your permit is issued.

At the end of your project, submit your waste and recycling receipts for approval 7 days before you need the Final Building Inspector sign-off. Submittals are taken in the order received, so try to be sure everything is provided or delays could result. Tip: new, clean drywall scrap is VERY recyclable. So, if you’ve had new drywall included in your project, be sure to get the recycling receipt for your project’s scrap from the drywall subcontractor.

**Check the progress of your permit at:
www.sloplanning.org/permitview/**

Who is Certified?

If self-haul or hired-haul, the 50% recycling requirement can be met by using an IWMA-certified facility. These eight facilities are:

1. Recycling Facility at Cold Canyon Landfill *
* Associated with Coastal Roll-Off
San Luis Obispo 805-543-8332
2. Recycling Facility at Chicago Grade Landfill
Atascadero 805-466-2985
3. North SLO County Recycling **
** Associated with Mid-State Solid Waste
Templeton 805-434-0043
4. Recycling Facility at Paso Robles Landfill
Paso Robles 805-238-2028
5. Santa Maria Transfer Station
325 Cuyama Lane Nipomo 805-929-9255
6. Bedford/SMART
Santa Maria 805-922-4977
7. API Roll-Off Services
805-928-8689
8. R&R Roll-Off
805-929-8000

The next two facilities are also certified but not open to the public. Customers can use the roll-off/hauling company associated with the facility.

To avoid needing to fill out the Detailed Recycling Plan form, be sure your loads go to one of these facilities, and be sure to get the receipt that shows you used the recycling part of the facility. **Seven days** before your project is set for Final Inspection, you must send in the original receipts for all of the recycling facilities and landfills you used.

Hauling companies - each of these companies (and numbers 7 & 8, on the other side) is permitted to operate anywhere in the unincorporated county. They handle mixed loads of waste; call for prices and availability.

Atascadero Waste (WMI)	805 466-3636
Coastal Roll-Off	805 543-0473 **
Mid-State Solid Waste	805 434-9112 ***
Paso Robles Roll-Off	805 238-4897
San Miguel Roll-Off	805 239-1266

**Associated with Cold Canyon Landfill
 ***Associated with North SLO County Recycling

To avoid needing to fill out a Detailed Recycling Plan form, it is your responsibility to tell your hauling company to take it to an IWMA-certified facility. Other facilities are available in the county; they are listed on the flyer *“Construction Material Recyclers and Facilities”*

Don't let this happen to you!

Failure to achieve the 50% recycling goal could result in delays in receiving Final Inspection Approval **and a penalty equal to 2% of your project's value**. All penalties must be paid before Final Building Inspector Approval.

For additional information and updates:

Integrated Waste Management Authority
 805-782-8530

County Public Works
 Solid Waste Coordinator 805-781-5259

If you don't use a certified recycling facility you will need to estimate the amount of waste your project will make. The following table will help you estimate your expected waste loads.

C&D Waste Generation by Project Type

<u>Type of Project</u>	<u>Appx. Waste</u>
Commercial	
Additions	27 lbs / sq ft
Demolition	70 lbs / sq ft
New Construction	13 lbs / sq ft
Tenant Improvement	10 lbs / sq ft
Multi-Family Residential	
Additions	4.5 lbs / sq ft
Demo & Other	16 lbs / sq ft
New Const	9.5 lbs / sq ft
Single Family Residential	
Additions	33 lbs / sq ft
Demolition	83 lbs / sq ft
New SFR	5 lbs / sq ft
Remodel	39 lbs / sq ft

