

SOUTHWEST CENTRAL REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

STANDARD RULES AND REGULATIONS

GOVERNING THE DISTRIBUTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE RECYCLING GRANTS PROGRAM

Section I. Recycling and Waste Reduction

The Southwest Central Regional Solid Waste Management District finds that the recycling of glass, plastic, cans, paper and other materials will reduce the State of Arkansas' reliance upon landfills. Additionally, other Solid Waste Reduction activities will help reduce the State's dependence on landfills: using waste items as raw materials in a production process, using waste items to produce an end product without recycling, using waste items as fuel and/or other activities.

Solid Waste Reduction activities mean other activities that divert materials from landfills for reuse and disposal, including all of the above without limitation.

Section II. Eligible Grant Projects

Projects eligible for Recycling Grant assistance include, without limitation, costs for:

- Solid Waste Management planning that integrates recycling.
- Public Information and Education Programs
- Waste transfer facilities and equipment that integrates recycling in the operation.
- Other waste stream reduction activities that divert the flow of materials away from landfills to be used for beneficial use, proper disposal or construction and demolition.
- Activities that support a Recycling System including without limitation operation, construction, logistical systems and equipment.
- Administrative Expenses for operation of the District recycling activities, not to exceed 25% of the allocated Recycling Grant funding.

Section III. Reporting

Each Recycling Grant recipient shall, until all Grant Funds are expended on a project, provide the District with an Annual Report of project activity. These reports shall be kept on file at the District office.

Each Grantee shall provide a Recycling Activity Survey for a period of five years after a Grant Award to the District to be submitted to ADEQ due on August 1st of each year. The annual Recycling Activity Survey shall include the tonnage and type of materials collected, and revenues produced from the sale of materials collected and total diversion savings calculated using total tons recycled multiplied by the respective landfill disposal tipping fee.

Section IV. Administrative Procedures Act

The District shall ensure public participation and notice prior to any Grant Award. The District will follow and adopt policies that are based on the rules and regulations in keeping with the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act. A notice shall be published listing Recycling Grants and soliciting comments in a newspaper of general circulation prior to Grant Award. The notice shall be published one time; but, the comment period shall not be less than 30 days from the date of publication.