**Comprehensive Planning Package – Fall 2021  
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*Maine Department of Environmental Protection***[***http://www.maine.gov/dep***](http://www.maine.gov/dep)

**Listing of resources to assist municipalities in planning for/implementation of solid waste programs and practices**

What are the [*responsibilities of municipal government*](http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/38/title38sec1305.html)in providing solid waste management services to their residents and commercial businesses?

What is the State’s [*policy*](http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/38/title38sec2101.html)in planning for an integrated solid waste management system?

Maine has seven [*product stewardship programs*](https://www.maine.gov/dep/waste/productstewardship/index.html), each focused on recovering/recycling various items and products, reducing the amount of materials requiring disposal. [*Map of drop-off sites for electronic wastes, mercury added products, and fluorescent bulbs*](https://www.maine.gov/dep/gis/datamaps/brwm_recycling/)

Information and resources on [*recycling in Maine*](https://www.maine.gov/dep/waste/recycle/index.html)

Information and resources on [*composting and organics management in Maine*](https://www.maine.gov/dep/sustainability/compost/index.html)

Maine Department of Environmental Protection – [*Solid Waste Program Rules, Facilities, & more*](https://www.maine.gov/dep/waste/solidwaste/index.html)

[*Latest annual report on Waste Generation and Disposal Capacity in Maine*](https://www.maine.gov/tools/whatsnew/attach.php?id=3898411&an=1)

(Provides a snapshot of current solid waste management programs and options,

as well as information on recycling and disposal facilities.)

[*Maine’s latest Five Year Plan for Materials Management/solid waste management*](https://www.maine.gov/tools/whatsnew/attach.php?id=1086792&an=1)

(Provides a policy perspective of current solid waste management programs and options, and identifies areas and opportunities for future programs and practices.)

For more information, or to discuss possible issues/opportunities related to your municipality’s comprehensive plan efforts, please contact:

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