

Construction & Demolition Debris Recycling Program

C&D Debris Recycling Program
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County of Fresno Building Permit Applicants

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Effective January 1, 2017

California's Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939) requires cities and counties to reduce the amount of waste disposed of in landfills by the year 2000 and beyond. Senate Bill 1374 (2002), allowed cities and counties the opportunity to meet state recycling and diversion goals by establishing a Construction and Demolition ordinance. In 2004, the ordinance was adopted that required counties to divert 50% of waste disposed going to landfills by construction and demolition or potentially incur fines of up to \$10,000 per day. On January 1, 2014, most County of Fresno building permit applicants will need to meet Construction and Demolition (C&D) Debris Recycling requirements.

Beginning January 1, 2017, the State of California raised the diversion threshold to 65%. This Waste Management Plan and the Waste

Log/Acknowledgements are designed to assist County compliance with this State mandate, and provide builders with a means of documenting the waste reduction requirements included in the latest edition of the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen, Section 4.408.1-5).

What You Need to Do

There are 3 steps to meet the County's C&D Recycling Program requirements:

Step 1: Complete and submit a Waste Management Plan (WMP) for recycling a minimum of 65% of all nonhazardous waste, scrap, and debris generated for the scope of work covered by the building permit

Step 2: During construction/demolition, collect data for your project's Waste Log, ensure that all subcontractors are familiar with the WMP, and have signed the Acknowledgement Form. Keep all weight/gate tags, receipts, and invoices for services to support the data on the Waste Log.

Step 3: After your project is complete and 14 days prior to your project's final inspection, submit the completed Acknowledgement Form(s), Waste Log, and all supporting documents.

Separating C&D materials for recycling saves resources and money in the form of cash for scrap metals, or reduced tipping fees for lighter loads.

Submit all completed C&D Recycling Program forms and documents to:
**Resources Division, Fresno County Plaza Building,
2220 Tulare Street, 6th Floor, Fresno, CA, 93721**

Have questions? Contact County of Fresno Solid Waste Planning at:
(559) 600-4259 or condemo@fresnocountyca.gov



Instructions for Meeting Construction & Demolition Debris Recycling Requirements

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Step 1—Complete and Submit a Waste Management Plan

- What:** The WMP is part of the building permit application. The permit will not be issued if a completed WMP has not been submitted. The WMP serves as your acknowledgement that 65% of all debris generated during the course of your project must be recycled or salvaged. Please include the names of the waste hauling company and facilities that will receive the debris, if known. For a listing of recyclers and mixed C&D sorting facilities, visit www.fresnocountyca.gov/recycling.
- When:** The completed WMP is due when you submit your Building Permit application.
- Where:** Submit completed WMPs to the Building Permit Counter at the Fresno County Plaza Building, Annex A, which is located at 2220 Tulare Street, Fresno, CA 93721.
- Who:** The Building Permit applicant is responsible for submitting a completed WMP with the Building Permit application.

Step 2—Collect Data for Waste Log

- What:** After the Building Permit is issued and work begins on the project, you will need to begin collecting and recording information about the collection, reuse, recycling and disposal of waste generated from your project. This will include the collection and retention of all weight tags, gate receipts, and/or invoices for hauling services necessary to document the actual quantities of materials generated, reused, recycled, and/or disposed of for each project, as well as a listing of facilities and/or hauling service providers used.

As each new subcontractor comes on-site, the subcontractor will be provided a copy of the WMP and a briefing of the jobsite to identify materials to be salvaged or recycled, the procedures for handling jobsite debris, and the locations for source-separated or mixed debris. Each subcontractor foreman will acknowledge in writing that they have read and will abide by the WMP on the Acknowledgement Form, which is to be completed and submitted with the Waste Log. Tags and receipts will be collected from any subcontractors or other parties removing debris from the site as well.

Step 3—Complete and Submit Final Waste Log, Weight Tags, and Acknowledgement

- When:** The completed Waste Log, supporting documents (weight / gate tags, receipts, or invoices), and Subcontractor Acknowledgement Form(s) with signed Contractor Declaration Statement, must be submitted and approved prior to the Certificate of Occupancy issuance.
- Where:** Submit all completed Waste Logs, supporting documentation, and Acknowledgement Form(s) to the Resources Division at the Fresno County Plaza Building, which is located at 2220 Tulare Street, 6th Floor, Fresno, CA 93721.
- Who:** **The owner of the property bears the responsibility of ensuring that all required C&D Debris Recycling forms are completed and submitted. Failure to submit the required forms may subject the property owner to administrative citations and fines in accordance with Section 1.13.070 of the Fresno County Ordinance Code.**