Objective 1 Working Group Update
Quantitative and Qualitative Data
Overview

• External Working Group update
• Overview of new narrative reporting format for Plan update and Annual Progress Report
• RFP Status
• Quantitative Data
• Next steps to schedule external working group meeting
AAPR - Recommendations

- 3 Separate Phases of Recommended Revisions

1) Reporting Year 2016

2) RFP Inclusions

3) Create a Legislative Package to Add, Modify or Eliminate Certain Sections of The Solid Waste Management Act and Update The Accompanying Rules
Previous External Working Group Efforts

• Met April 28, 2017 at the Cookeville EFO
  – SW Directors
  – John McFadden – Tennessee Environmental Council

• In the meeting TDEC proposed the revised reporting contents for:
  – 10 Year Planning and Solid Waste Plan Update
  – Annual Progress Report
  – TDEC Survey Questions

• The new report structure feature items from previous meeting discussions:
  – Organize questions by statutory and rule requirements
  – More standardized Yes/No responses and drop down lists
  – Eliminate redundancies that no longer provide value for planning efforts
  – Pre-population features
Comments

• TDEC received verbal feedback at the April 28, 2017 meeting and set a 2 week deadline
• After the meeting, TDEC received 1 written document through email and 1 follow-up meeting in person
• The other 5 external participants did not submit written comment
• General comments themes were:
  – Region vs. County vs. Municipality Reporting
  – How does the Region update help TDEC achieve statewide planning
  – Regional Intelligence Gathering
  – Financial Data collection
  – Uniformity to the data collection
  – Reduce redundancy
Comments (continued)

• Comments were incorporated by SWM and sent to OGC to review alignment with statutory and rule requirements.
• The most common comment was “Who completes this report?”
  – Region vs. County responsibility
  – Mostly involving the 10 Year Plan Update
  – Redundancy across the APR and Update. Are we asking the same question?
  – Seems we can be flexible on the report as long as we follow the T.C.A. structure
• OGC recommendations were incorporated and documents are ready to share at next working group meeting.
Annual Progress Report (814)

Annual Report (871(a))

APR on Implementation (871(b))

Report due March 31

10 Year Planning

Collection
Recycling
Transportation
Disposal
Public Costs
New Documents

• 10 Year Planning and Update
  – Addendum style approach
  – Flexible
  – Easy to make specific changes to plan
  – Option to provide no update
  – Keeps in mind 10 year planning and consider the statewide plan
  – Still done by each county and Plan updates aggregate up
  – Board Sign-off
New Documents

• Annual Progress Report
  – Questions align with 2025 Plan
  – More checkbox, drop-down and radio buttons
    • More apples to apples comparison
  – Short and concise
  – Added functionality for RFP
    • Upload function
  – County vs. Municipality vs. Region
  – TDEC Data vs. Region Data
New Documents

• TDEC Questions
  – New Section
  – Structured to allow TDEC to plan better for:
    • Grants
    • Funding allocation
    • Addressing issues
    • Markets
  – Includes implementation of plan and how TDEC can assist
  – Survey style approach
Quantitative Data

- Draft APR SOP for TDEC reviewers
  - What does it cover?
  - How was it developed?
  - How will improve the process/benefit customer?
- Shift focus to quantitative portion of the APR
  - Objective 1 was postponed due the lack of confidence in the reported data
  - Shift toward the quantitative portion of the APR
Agenda items for March 8 meeting

• Types of data and methods used currently in the 25% waste reduction and diversion goal

• Refresh the group about the goal postponement:
  – Why TDEC postponed the goal
  – Steps TDEC is taking:
    • QA/QC SOPs – Policy
    • Reporting and review process improvements
    • MM Grants funding
    • Greater assistance
  – Timeline

• Review Disposal, Recycling and Diversion Reports

• TDEC data vs. Region data

• Under local government control