

Recycling: What Does it Mean to Economic Developers?

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Virginia #1 State



- #1 for Business according to CNBC, Pollina Commercial Real Estates
- #1 for Imported Trash, 5.5 Million tons per year (source: DEQ)
- Jobs & Economic Development are VA's #1 priority
- WM, Sonoco, TFC operate in multiple localities in VA
- Low energy cost, central mid Atlantic location, let's make a deal!

Economic Development

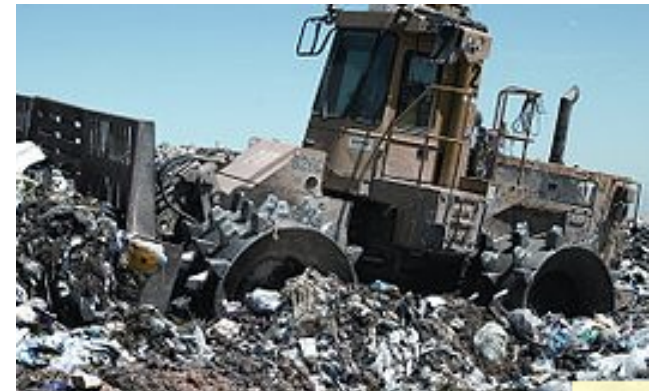


- Policy makers pay attention to Jobs and Revenues
- Invest in innovative technologies that make products from recycled materials or convert waste-to-energy:
(Sonoco, Trex Decking, USGypsum, Equustock, Enersol)
- Innovation Grants through the Virginia Tobacco Region Opportunity Fund (www.tic.virginia.gov)
- Other incentives include: Governor's Opportunity Fund & Virginia DBA's job creation grant (www.dba.virginia.gov)

Economic Impact



- Help policy makers realize your industry's impact on jobs and revenues
- Aluminum, \$1,800/ton; landfill it for \$28 ?
- PET, \$400/ton; landfill it for \$28 ?
- Paper, \$140/ton; landfill it for \$28 ?
- Multi-stream MRF and recycled paper mill creates at least 100 direct & indirect jobs
- Engage your local and state government about economic development opportunities and green jobs in the recycling sector



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