

April 28th Discussion

Recommendations for developing a cost-effective drywall recycling program in Vermont:

Reduce hauling costs:

- Haul double roll-offs instead of one at a time
- Establish backhaul options

Collection programs:

- Set up roll-offs at satellite sites
- Have a dedicated site for drywall (to prevent wait time and saving labor costs)
- Need to have a system that works for small contractors
- Start program in parts of VT with highest amounts of drywall generation
- Need separate programs for rural versus more urban parts of the state

Next Steps:

- Chittenden Solid Waste District to talk to its two transfer stations to gauge interest in starting a drywall collection program
- *Go Green* project in summer 2009 will evaluate feasibility of on-site application of ground gypsum drywall
- Explore potential of railroad sidings for aggregation sites (2nd tier of next steps)
- Talk to Vermont landfills and primary haulers
- Talk to State Buildings and General Services regarding its interest in incorporating drywall requirements
- After these contacts are made, hold another follow-up meeting.
- Solid waste districts can follow up with small contractors to gauge interest in a program