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COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM V 2: DRAFT RECYCLING ORDINANCE  
For Environmental Management Commission, 9 AM Wednesday, July 26, 2023

Aloha Commissioners,  
Thank you for your volunteer service, and for this effort to increase recycling. Comments below.  
Thx, Cory Harden

#### Section 20-01-03 Definitions

“Designated Recyclable Waste” is waste that is defined by department rule.... The list of designated recyclable wastes is expected to change as criteria situations change over time.

It takes a long time to write rules and meet requirements for comments and hearings. Instead, maintain a list on the Department of Environmental Management website that is updated once a week, and reviewed by the Environmental Management Commission at each of its meetings. Also post updated lists, plus information on where to recycle, at transfer stations.

#### Section 20-07-03 Prohibition of Landfill of Designated Recyclable Wastes

1) b) The department shall issue rules to allow small businesses and nonprofits to use [ADD: recycling facilities at] designated county transfer stations for deposit of recyclable materials currently accepted at the transfer station for residents...

#### ALTERNATIVE APPROACH:

GENERAL DEM CHARTER ON LANDFILL DIVERSION in HCC Chapter 20 and work the details via DEM rulemaking

An ordinance would allow the public more opportunity for influence, as the ordinance moves through the County Council meetings.