



About WPWMA

Solid Waste Joint Powers Authority

- Established in 1978 through an exercise of joint powers between the cities of Lincoln, Rocklin, and Roseville and the County of Placer.
- Where all solid waste generated from the growing Western Placer County is received for recycling, composting, and disposal.
- Facilities include the only active landfill in the County, a mixed-waste Materials Recovery Facility, Construction & Demolition processing, composting, Household Hazardous Waste, public drop off, recycling buy-back, and energy creation.



















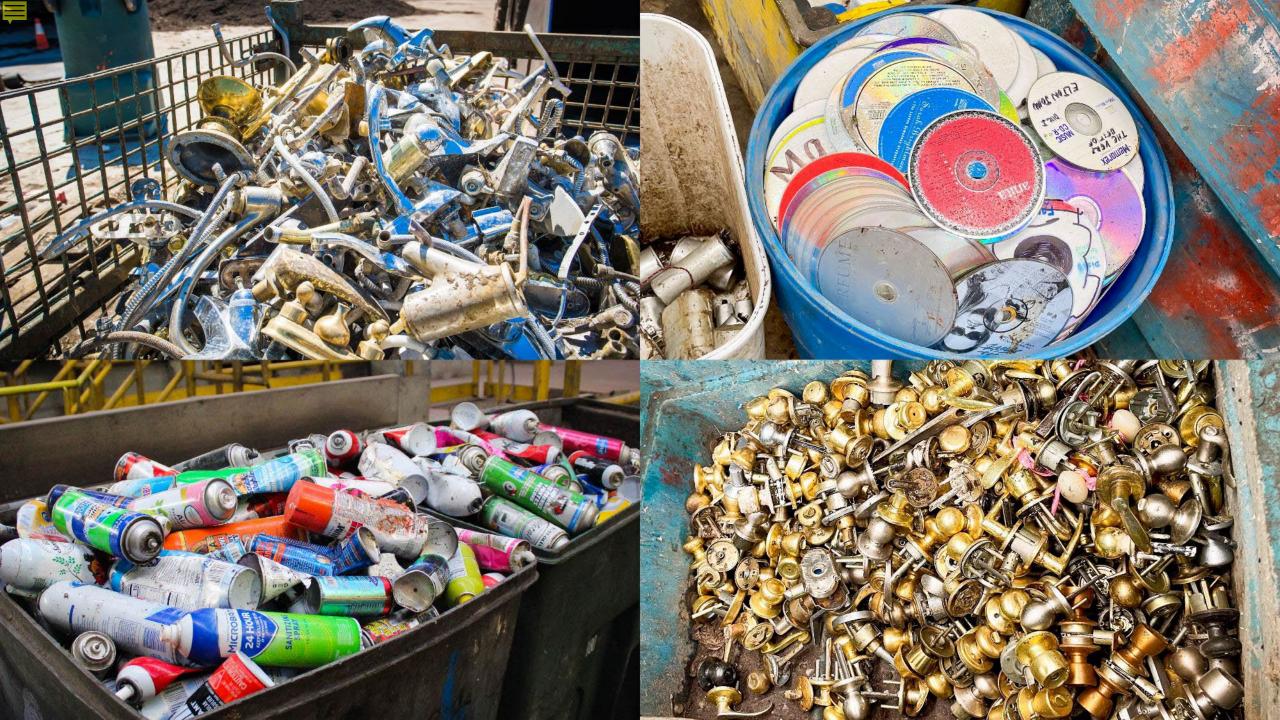








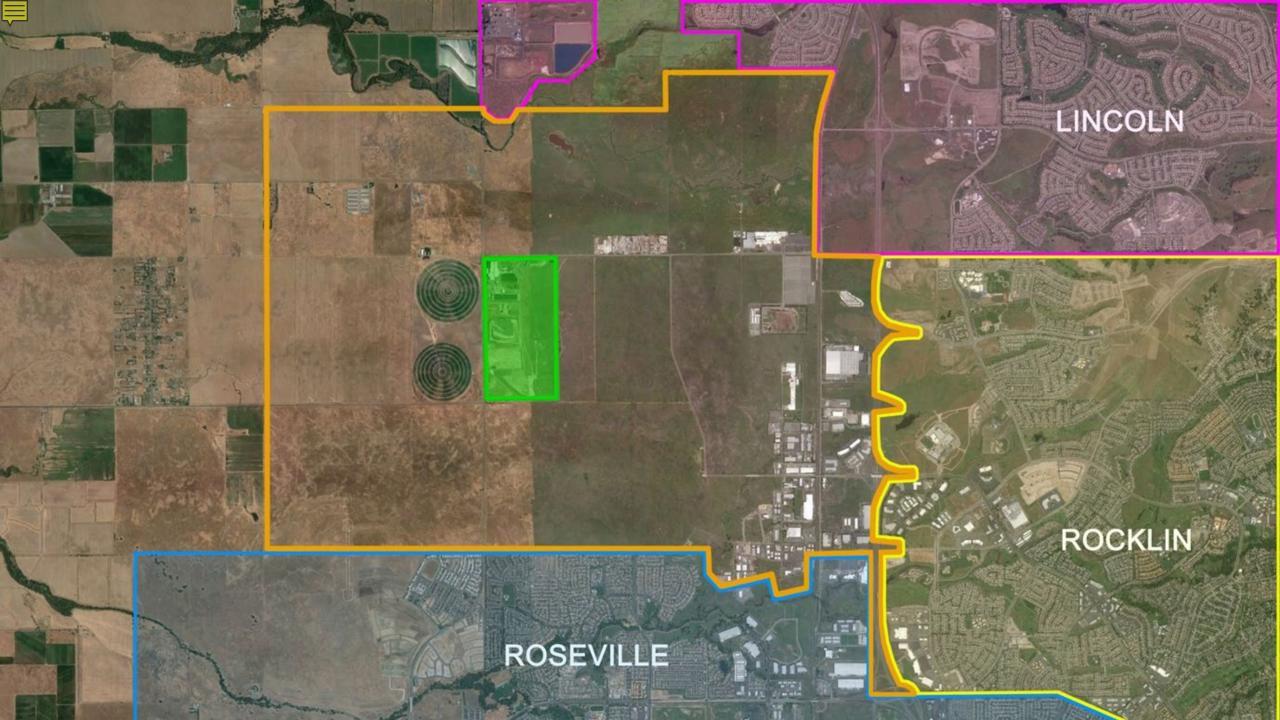


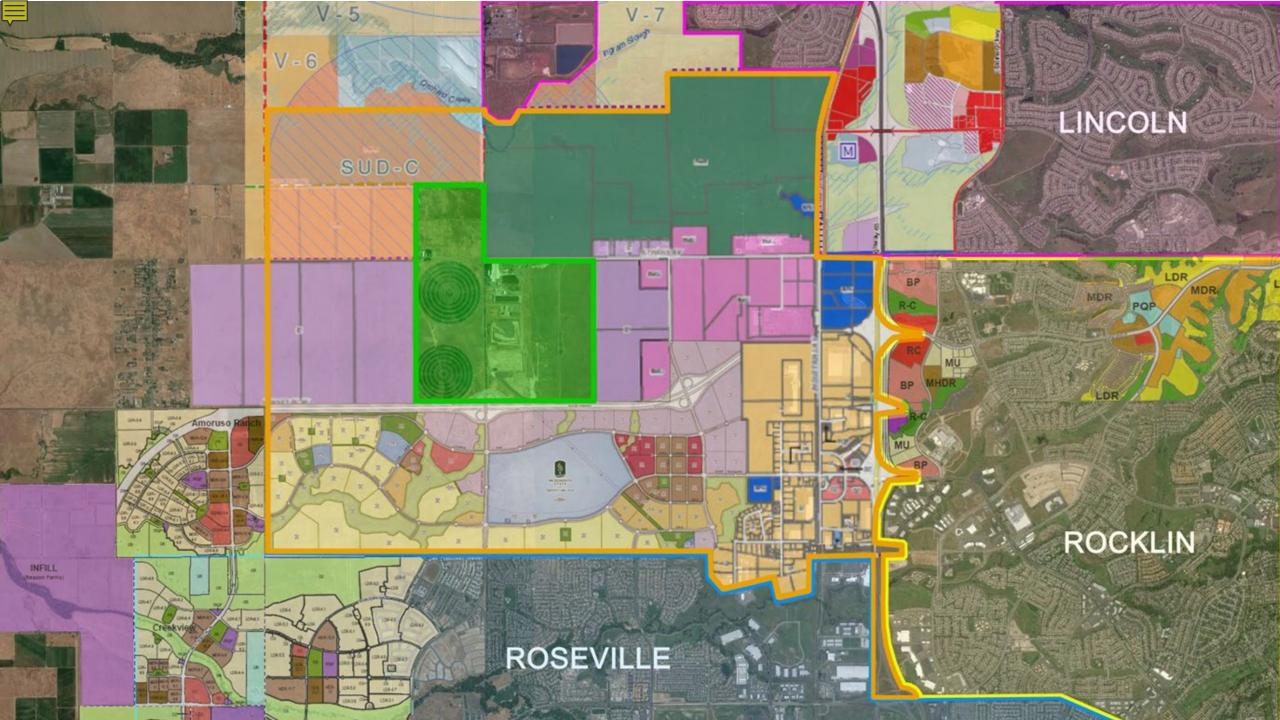
































High-Diversion MRF to Comply with SB 1383

The WPWMA's path to compliance with no changes to the existing mixed-waste collection & processing

- While many communities are requiring their residents and businesses to source separate organic waste to comply with SB 1383, the WPWMA's jurisdictions will continue to utilize a mixed-waste collection and processing system for recyclables and now for organic waste too.
- This is to guarantee we are meeting the goals of SB 1383 (to reduce the amount of organic waste that is landfilled), placing the burden of regulatory compliance on the WPWMA not on the resident or customer.







De-bagging, size reducing, and splitter screens

- Upon arrival at the MRF, material is loaded into size reducers (slow moving shredders) that rip open bagged material to liberate organics and recyclables.
- The splitter screens are positioned directly after the size reducers to target the liberated organics fraction:
 - Smaller than 2 3" organic rich "fines" are conveyed downstream for further processing and refining.
- Also, by removing a majority of the organic-rich material early in the process, the system also produces consistently cleaner recyclables.





Trommel Screens

- These 3D trommel screens help to separate materials into various sizes.
 - This machine is essentially a large, rotating barrel lined with holes.
 - The holes are 3-dimensional, only allowing material that is smaller than 16" x 16" x 16" to pass through, separating the larger than 16" material from the smaller for different sorting.

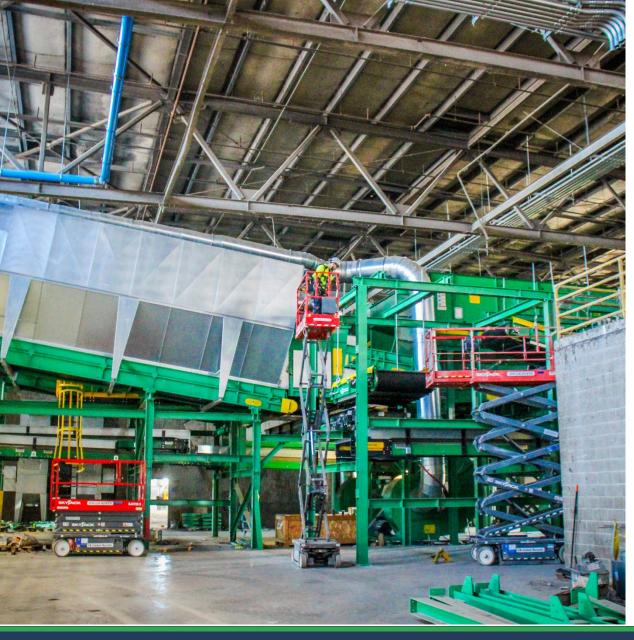


Drum Screens (Anti-Wrap Screens)

- These drum screens are positioned next to target the remaining organics in the material stream that were missed by the splitter screens.
 - Organic material falls between the rotating screen discs and other recyclable material glides along top.
- These screens also separate the larger than 5" non-organics from the smaller than 5" organics to produce cleaner streams overall.







Air Density Separators

- These air-powered density separation units
 are positioned both on the larger than 5" fraction
 and the smaller than 5" fraction lines following
 the drum screens to recover wood and metal
 materials, in addition to isolating the remaining
 organic fractions (by density) to the correct
 downstream equipment for further recovery.
 - These look like large metal boxes where a jet-stream of air is immediately blown on the materials and lighter material floats inside the box with heavies immediately dropping.

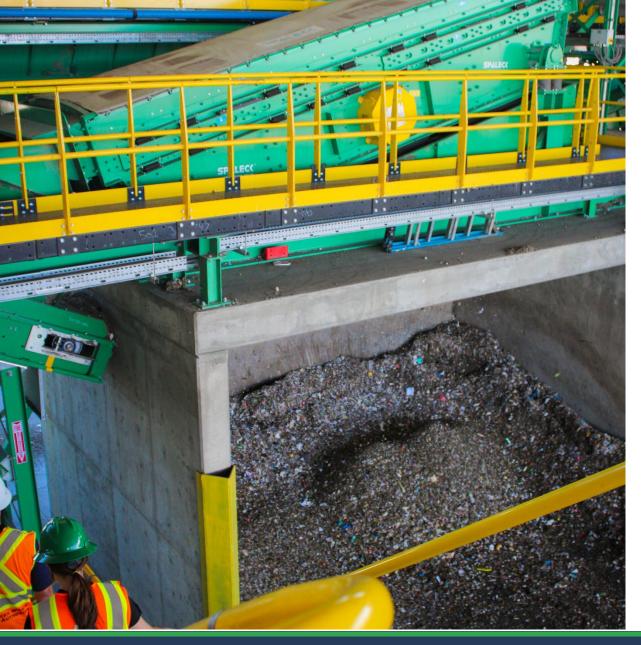


Eddy Currents & Magnets

- Eddy current separators give off an electric charge that attracts non-ferrous metals (aluminum), causing the attracted metal to leap off the line into the eddy current's storage bunker.
- The cross-belt magnets are positioned in six different locations to attract ferrous metals of various sizes and densities across the several stages throughout the system.







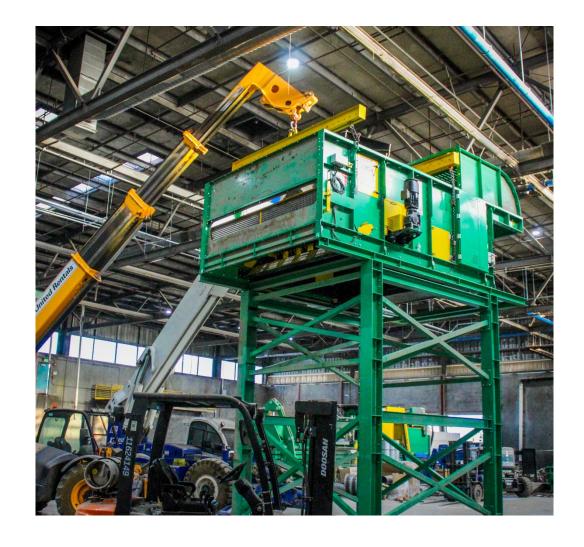
3D Vibrating Screens

- These 3D vibrating screens are positioned on the 2 5" organics fraction line to remove remaining non-organics and generate a consistent organics-rich stream that combines with the smaller than 2 3" organics stream recovered from the splitter screens at the beginning of the process.
- The non-organic material passes along the top to additional sorting equipment.



Elliptical Separators

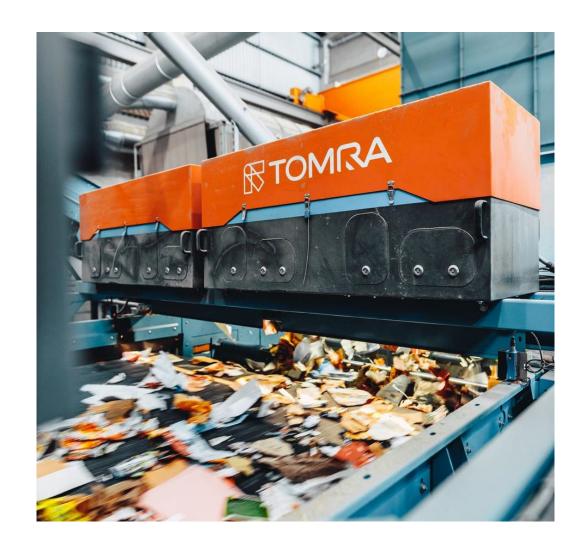
- Two elliptical separators are positioned on the larger than 5" fraction of the material stream as a secondary sorting mechanism.
 - These screens separate 2D materials (including film plastic and paper) from 3D materials (including bottles, cans, and cardboard) using a circular motion like the exercise equipment.
 - These screens even separate additional organic fines that fall below the unit onto a collection conveyor belt.
- These units act as a redundant final recovery stage for upstream components to target any remaining materials that may have been missed by other components.





Optical Sorters

- 14 optical sorting machines are positioned throughout the system to collect various material the machines are programmed to divert using either a positive sort (aiming for desired materials) or a negative sort (aiming to rid the materials stream of contamination).
 - These machines are powered using Al and extremely high-resolutions sensors (similar to a camera lens) that can accurately process in micro-seconds, determining whether to eject a material to a new sorting line, or not and allow the material to pass through.
 - These machines can sort between 200 600 items per minute and will be used to collect commodities including glass, fibers, various grades of plastic, and more.





Covered Conveyor Belt & Covered Aerated Static Pile (CASP) Composting

- Once all the organic fines have been diverted from the material stream, they are combined on a covered conveyor belt and directed to the composting area of the WPWMA's campus.
- Once there, all MRF fines are immediately composted in a covered aerated static pile system to optimize composting timelines and reduce the potential for pungent odors from the fines.





Densimetric Table

- After the MRF fines have completed composting (~4 weeks) the completed material will be run through a densimetric table to remove any remaining contaminants (that will have not composted/broken down like the organic materials), specifically targeting glass, stone, metal, hard plastics, and plastic produce stickers.
 - This system can effectively remove more than 98% of contaminants from the compost.
- The densimetric table is set on an incline and uses vibrating motion and air to separate compost from contaminant materials.

















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