SK Recycles

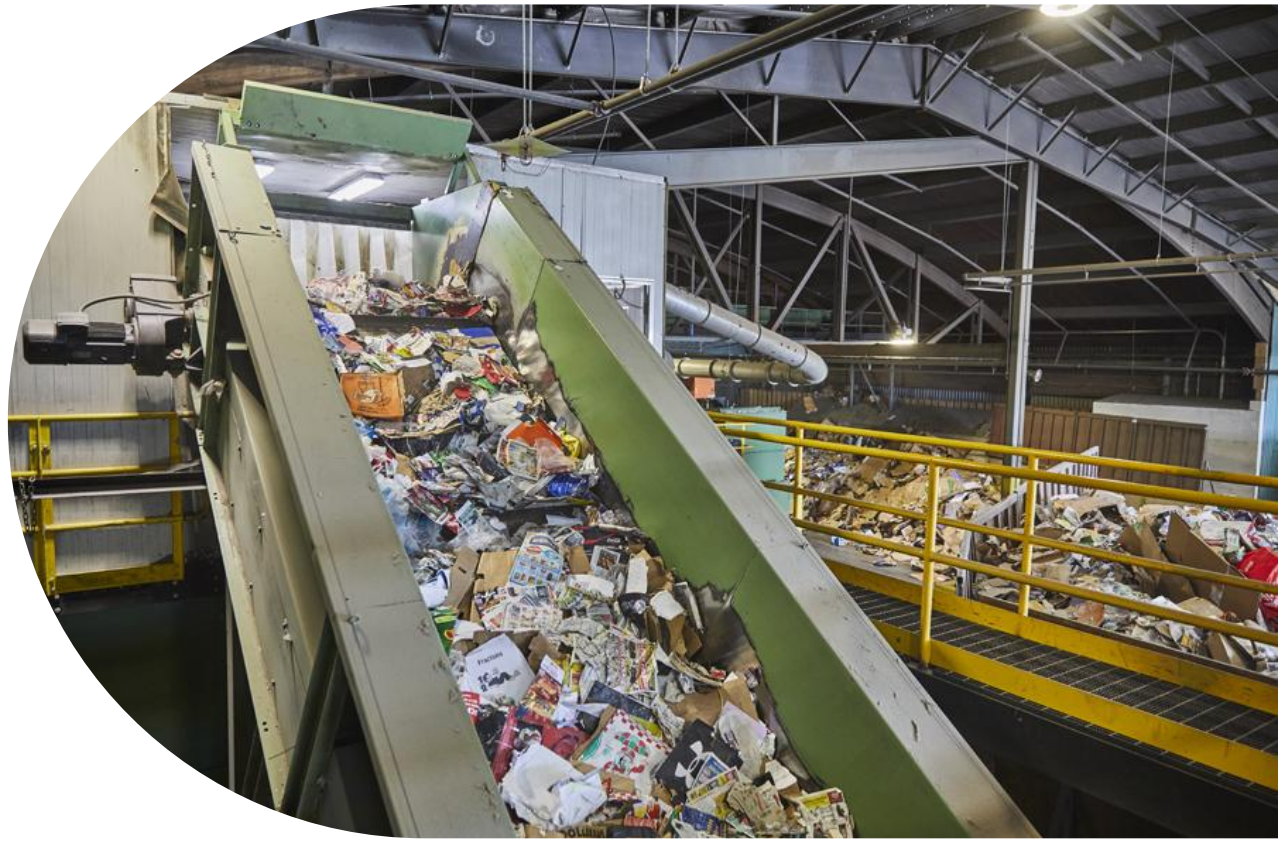
Saskatchewan Waste Solutions Summit

October 7th, 2026



Agenda

- Who is SK Recycles
- Three Phased Approach to Implementation
- Phase 1 & 2 Updates
- Phase 3 Information & Depot Classes
- Good News! The Foam Densifier



Who is SK Recycles

Collaborators

- Funded by businesses that include manufacturers, brand owners and retailers that supply packaging and paper to SK residents.
- Partner with local governments, First Nations and Métis communities, private companies and other organizations.
- Team up with businesses and organizations to collect, receive, sort and recycle, so that all residential packaging and paper can become new materials.

System Evolution

- Grew from a shared-responsibility model (MMSW) to a province-wide full-Extended Producer Responsibility organization.
- Fulfill the regulatory commitments on behalf of producers.
- Advance packaging and paper recycling by providing support and education.
- Expand opportunities to make recycling easier and more consistent across the province.

Phased Implementation



Program Transition Underway

Phase 1	• 12 large urban municipalities joined; 2 joining in 2027
Phase 2	• 272 small urban municipalities have joined

Phase 1

Community-led Collectors

Program-led Collectors



Phase 2 - Three Models



Community-Led Model

Eligible communities may provide curbside and/or multi-family collection services in their community while acting as a collection service provider to SK Recycles. Sunset Feb 1, 2028 – move to Program-Led.

RWA communities participate under long-term community-led (similar to Phase 1 municipality)



Program-Led Model

SK Recycles operates curbside and/or multi-family collection service directly.



Continuation of Current Shared Responsibility Model

Continue with status quo option in the short-term.
February 1, 2028, MMSW sunset.

Phase 2 Procurement Update

- From June to July 2026, SK Recycles received and reviewed proposals from companies interested in providing collection services in the Service Areas outlined in the RFP.
- Following a review by SK Recycles' evaluation committee, successful companies were notified in August 2026.
- SK Recycles is now working with these companies to finalize agreements.
- Once this process is complete, SK Recycles will let Program-led communities know which collection service provider has been selected for their community.

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Phase 3 Updates

- Primary: Small communities that use depot for all packaging recycling
- Supplemental: Communities with curbside & depot services
- Statement of Work finalized and communicated with working group
- Emails with Phase 3 updates issued Sept/Oct to local governments & RWAs
- Letter of offer will be distributed Q4 2026.

Phase 3 Key Dates

- **Fall 2026:** Depot onboarding packages sent to eligible communities & RWAs
- **April 1, 2027:** Deadline to submit completed depot onboarding documents.
- **Fall 2027:** First service commencement date for depots operating under the SK Recycles full EPR model.



Phase 3 Depot Classes

As part of the onboarding process, each community can choose the depot model that best fits its operations, capacity and community needs.

	CLASS 1: Unsupervised	CLASS 2: Partially Staffed and Secured	CLASS 3: Fully Staffed and Secured
No staff required	✔		
Staff are on site during some operating hours		✔	
Staff are present during all operating hours			✔
Depot is secured		✔	✔
Accepted Materials;			
Paper/Cardboard	✔	✔	✔
Mixed Containers	✔	✔	✔
Glass Bottles & Jars		✔*	✔*
Flexible Plastics		✔*	✔*
Foam Packaging		✔*	✔*

**Not required to be accepted for collection.*

**Must be accepted and kept separated for collection.*

Good News! Foam Densifier

- Joint Investment with SARCAN
- Foam densifier compresses material up to **50:1** for more efficient transport and lower GHG emissions
- First shipment: **16 tonnes**, equal to **32x** more material at the same transportation cost
- **50+ tonnes** of foam packaging shipped to end markets since Dec 2024



Thank You

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