



Packaging and Printed Paper Stewardship: Nova Scotia Perspective

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Evolution of Solid Waste in Nova Scotia



1995

- Solid Waste Strategy prohibits open burning
- Implements disposal bans



2000

- Nova Scotians disposed of half the waste they did in 1989
- Centralized composting



2011

- Renewal of NS Solid Waste Strategy: Our Path Forward

Product Stewardship Programs in Nova Scotia

Regulated:

Electronics (EPRA, CWTA and Eastlink)

Paint (Product Care)

Voluntary:

NS Milk Packaging Stewardship

Newspaper Stewardship

Yellow Pages Stewardship

Sharps and Pharmaceuticals

Packaging and Printed Paper

- Municipal/Regional waste management of packaging and printed paper
 - curbside collection
 - processing
 - marketing
 - education

Shifting Responsibility for PPP

- Commitment to the CCME Canada-wide Action Plan for EPR.
- Requests from municipalities/UNSM Resolutions to mandate producer responsibility in NS.
- Programs in Ontario, MB, Quebec, BC, and Saskatchewan.
- Feedback through out the renewal of the NS Solid Waste Management Strategy.

**Revising Our Path Forward:
A public discussion
paper about solid
waste regulation
in Nova Scotia**

<http://www.novascotia.ca/nse/waste/>



Product Stewardship Framework

Proposing to add a framework for product stewardship which would include PPP (1-3 years)

- Producers would be required to submit a program plan that details how they will manage their packaging and printed paper - including the costs.
- Consult with the public and stakeholders prior to submitting to NSE

Product Stewardship Framework

- Regulation could outline:
 - obligations, minimum requirements (public convenience and accessibility, education), refer to a guidance document
- Guidance Document
 - Provide direction and assistance on what producers would be expected to include in their plans (pollution prevention hierarchy, minimum service delivery standards etc.)

Packaging and Printed Paper

Full Producer Responsibility (BC, Quebec)
or Shared models (Ont, MB, Sask)

Consider:

- Milk packaging is approx. 3% of the current municipal PPP recycling stream = \$700,000
 - Entire PPP stream could equal \$23 million
- Estimated based on the BC market clearing prices producers would contribute from \$15-20 million in NS.

PPP Summit

- Opportune time to learn from others successes and challenges
- Discussion and constructive dialogue
- Working together, NSE, municipalities, regions, industry, academia, and residents towards the appropriate path forward on PPP for Nova Scotia

Thank You/Questions?