

WEBSITE RESOURCE LINKS

- **Beyond Waste: A Sustainable Materials Management Strategy:**
New York State's Beyond Waste Plan sets forth a new approach for New York State from focusing on "end-of-the-pipe" waste management techniques to looking "upstream" and more comprehensively at how materials that would otherwise become waste can be more sustainably managed through the State's economy. This shift is central to the state's ability to adapt to an age of growing pressure to reduce demand for energy, reduce dependence on disposal, minimize emission of greenhouse gases and create green jobs.
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/41831.html>
- **EPA Sustainable Materials Management Program:**
Sustainable materials management (SMM) is a systemic approach to using and reusing materials more productively over their entire lifecycles. It represents a change in how our society thinks about the use of natural resources and environmental protection. <http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/consERVE/smm/index.htm>
- **EPA Municipal Solids Waste in the United States: Facts and Figures:**
Website provides the most recent available data on annual US waste generation, recycling, and disposal, as well as the benefits of recycling.
<http://www.epa.gov/wastes/nonhaz/municipal/msw99.htm>
- **EPA Reduce, Reuse, Recycle:**
Learn how reducing, reusing, and recycling can help you, your community, and the environment by saving money, energy, and natural resources. Recycling programs are managed at the state and local level—find information on recycling in your community.
<http://www2.epa.gov/recycle>
- **EPA Reducing Food Waste:**
Information for businesses and organizations on reducing food waste.
<http://epa.gov/waste/consERVE/foodwaste>
- **EPA Composting for Facilities:**
Information on composting and compost application information for compost facilities, businesses, industry, and local governments.
<http://epa.gov/waste/consERVE/composting>
- **EPA Conservation Tools:**
Tools and programs that promote waste reduction and recycling.
<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/consERVE/tools/index.htm>
- **EPA Information on Common Wastes and Materials:**
Common materials from the municipal, commercial, and industrial waste streams that have good opportunities for recycling and reuse.
<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/consERVE/materials/index.htm>
- **EPA eCycling:**
Information on electronics recycling.
<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/consERVE/materials/ecycling/index.htm>

- **EPA GreenScapes:**
 EPA's GreenScapes program provides cost-efficient and environmentally friendly solutions for landscaping. Designed to help preserve natural resources and prevent waste and pollution, GreenScapes encourages companies, government agencies, other entities, and homeowners to make more holistic decisions regarding waste generation and disposal and the associated impacts on land, water, air, and energy use.
<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/consERVE/tools/greenscapes/index.htm>
- **Product Policy Institute:**
 Product Policy Institute (PPI) is working to transform our “throw-away” society into a vibrant one, where we meet the needs of all people with sustainable, energy-efficient goods and services. Our goal is to develop cradle-to-cradle producer responsibility – which makes manufacturers responsible for collecting and recycling their products and packaging – into the central approach to designing and managing products so that market forces drive the use and reuse of safer chemicals and materials.
<http://upstreampolicy.org/>
- **Product Stewardship Institute:**
 The Product Stewardship Institute (PSI) is a national, membership-based nonprofit committed to reducing the health, safety, and environmental impacts of consumer products across their lifecycles with a strong focus on sustainable end-of-life management.
<http://www.productstewardship.us/>
- **Cornell Waste Management Institute:**
 Cornell Waste Management Institute is a program in the Department of Crop and Soil Sciences in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University. CWMI serves the public through research, outreach, training, and technical assistance, with a focus on organic residuals.
<http://cwmi.css.cornell.edu/>
- **National Resources Defense Council, Sustainable Communities:**
 The National Resources Defense Council helps to develop and advocate sustainable solutions to the environmental challenges facing our communities by placing special emphasis on innovative approaches to improve older neighborhoods, inform plans for residential and commercial development, contain harmful suburban sprawl, and demonstrate sustainable practices for key urban components such as food systems, green infrastructure to prevent water pollution, and transportation.
<http://www.nrdc.org/sustainable-communities/default.asp>
- **National Resources Defense Council, Recycling:**
 In homes and in businesses, from newspapers to computer parts, recycling is one of the most common of all environmentally beneficial activities. National Resources Defense Council promotes increased recycling, and seeks to expand the national market for recycled materials.
<http://www.nrdc.org/recycling/default.asp>