



**City of Santa Monica  
Office of Sustainability and the Environment,  
Global Recycling Council (CRRA)  
and  
Earth Resource Foundation  
present**



**The Pieces of Zero Waste:  
Compostable Bioplastics – Certification, labeling and food service composting**

This workshop will focus on improving labeling of compostable bioplastics and identifying a definition of compostable compliance requirements, such as BPI and ASTM D6400, that all municipalities can use to administer bans on non-recyclable petro-plastic food containers, procure bioplastic containers and more effectively collect and separate these containers for composting.

**Wednesday, May 13, 2009  
9:00 am to 1:30 pm  
City of Santa Monica Main Library  
601 Santa Monica Blvd Santa Monica, CA 90401**

Agenda

9:00 am Coffee and Registration

9:30-11:00 Welcome:  
Stephanie Barger, Executive Director, Earth Resource Foundation  
Dean Kubani, Director, Office of Sustainability and the Environment

Presentations:

- Josephine Miller, City of Santa Monica and Alex Dmitriew, City of San Francisco:  
“Managing Municipal Non-Recyclable Food Container Bans: The challenges of identifying compliant compostable bioplastics.”
- Thomas Wright, Sustainable Bizness Practices:  
“Will Green Plastic enable Zero Waste?”
- John Connolly, JFConnolly & Associates:  
“Certification 101: BPI and ASTM 6400”
- Brian Glasbrenner, and Steve Davies, NatureWorks LLC:  
“The Facts & Fiction around Bioplastics”
- Tim Ronan, Primo Water:  
“Producer Responsibility. Before, during and after introduction”
- Dave Baldwin, Community Recycling:  
“What really happens to your bioplastic container in industrial composting”

11:15 – 11:30 Break

11:30 – 12:15 Breakout Session: “How do bioplastics fit into the Zero Waste Policies?”

12:15 – 12:30 Break and lunch by Green Truck

12:30 – 1:00 Presentations by breakout groups and working lunch

1:00 – 1:30 Next Steps and Adjourn

*Special thanks to the City of Santa Monica, Office of Sustainability and the Environment  
for providing the space and lunch*

**Registration is FREE, but seating is limited**

**Please RSVP by May 7, 2009 to**

**[zerowaste@earthresource.org](mailto:zerowaste@earthresource.org) or 949-645-5163**

**For more information about your hosts, visit their websites at:  
Earth Resource Foundation- [www.earthresource.org](http://www.earthresource.org)  
Global Recycling Council – CRRA [www.crra.com](http://www.crra.com)  
City of Santa Monica, Office of Sustainability and the Environment  
[www.sustainablem.org](http://www.sustainablem.org)**