

PROPOSED STATE RULES

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To obtain further information concerning any scheduled hearing(s), obtain copies of proposed rule(s) or submit comments regarding proposed rule(s), please call or write the contact person listed below. You may also submit comments in writing to the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, State House, Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802-828-2231).

The Solid Waste Management Rules.

Vermont Proposed Rule: 26P011

AGENCY: Agency of Natural Resources

CONCISE SUMMARY: The proposed rule revisions prohibit combining source separated food residuals with packaged food residuals; prohibit source separated food residual processing by depackaging machines; create operational requirements for mechanical depackaging facilities (required by Act 170 of 2022); allow development soil disposal outside of lined landfills (Act 69 of 2025); require paper and cardboard recyclables be covered at facilities; increase the amount of slaughterhouse waste that can be processed at medium compost facilities; increase the percentage of allowable paper contamination from 1% to up to 5% in processed glass aggregate; adopted PFAS screening standards for biosolids (already in DEC 2024 policy); expanded recognition of all EPA Part 503 Class A biosolids processes to significantly reduce pathogens alternatives which applies to EQ biosolids produced or imported to Vermont; and added regulations for short paper fiber testing, PFAS screening and tracking where applied. Minor typos were corrected too.

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