



Joint Public Advisory Committee Meeting (JPAC)

Reducing and Managing Food and Organic Waste Streams: Challenges and Opportunities in North America

Commission for Environmental Cooperation

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WHAT MAKES US LOOK AT THINGS DIFFERENTLY? CHANGING /EVOLVING

- ✓ From solid waste management to sustainable use of materials
- ✓ From organic waste management (corrective) to waste reduction (preventive)
- ✓ From global and universal approaches to regional, community or individual ones...
- ✓ Globalization and compartmentalization



FOOD AND ORGANIC WASTE REDUCTION AND RECOVERY...

- Historic (to learn about it...)
- Economic (to understand loss and flows...)
- Health, sanitation (to eliminate, reduce health risks related to waste)
- Environment and climate change (to reduce environmental hazards, GHGs, short lived climate pollutants, etc.)
- Sociocultural (associated to regional patterns and sustainable production and consumption...)



TODAY'S MEETING...

- The CEC, how did we get involved and why?
- CEC Strategic Plan 2015 2020
- CEC Operational Plan 2015 2016
- An ongoing project that will publish a foundational report including causes, challenges, opportunities and recommendations, will become a clearing house mechanism to share the information
- National differences between countries, regional differences within countries



WHAT WE EXPECT...

- Public participation and contribution to the making of CEC
 2017–18 Operational Plan
- Sharing and learning experience...
- Improve/increase our knowledge with expertise in the room
- Contribute to national and trilateral interests on this topic
- Contribute to foundational report for current project
- Work together for a sustainable region, for a better world



Three countries. One environment.

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