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***Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse then Recycle!***

**MEMORANDUM**

Date: September 4th, 2025

To: Board of Commissioners

From: Ashley Watkins, Solid Waste Coordinator

Re: Recycling Modernization Act (RMA)- Glass Allocation Funding

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In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed the Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act (SB 582) to provide local governments or if designated, its service providers, with the ability to receive compensation for eligible recycling costs. Specifically, SB 582 allows Producer Responsibility Organizations (PRO) to fund specific types of eligible expenses of the local government's service providers. A PRO is a non-profit organization(s) that administers a "responsible management" recycling program on behalf of the state.

The PRO, Circular Action Alliance (CAA), in accordance with their approved PRO plan with Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is offering a current incentive of \$77/ton for glass that is collected on current glass recycling curbside collection routes and at recycling depots. This incentive is being offered to local governments, or it can be designated to our service providers. The current approved PRO Plan is valid from 2025-2027; therefore, the incentive designation would be valid through 2027.

At this time, I am asking the Commissioners to decide whether the county would prefer to retain and allocate the funding to our service providers, Recology and Waste Management, or **allow the service providers to receive the funding directly from CAA.**

Thank you,

Ashley Watkins  
Solid Waste Coordinator

Approved by the Yamhill County Board of  
Commissioners on 09/11/2025  
via Board Order 25-285