

Investing in America through the  
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law  
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling  
State and Territory Grant Fact Sheet  
**Alabama**



### Grant Recipient Information

**Name:** Alabama Department of Environmental Management

### EPA Information

**Region:** EPA Region 4

### Highlights

- Update and develop a study for boosting residential material recovery and recycling in Alabama.
- Update the Alabama Solid Waste Management Plan.
- Review and revise the recycling regulations, Alabama's solid waste reduction goal, and the Alabama Recycling Fund grant program.

### Overview of Alabama's Planned Activities

Alabama will update its Plan for Boosting Residential Material Recovery and Recycling in Alabama to serve as a guide for creating a circular economy. Alabama also will update its solid waste management plan to include resiliency plans and a framework for a comprehensive disaster debris stream management plan. In addition, Alabama will update recycling regulations to enhance requirements for reporting and monitoring of recycling efforts, increasing diversion rates. The reporting systems will be streamlined to accurately reflect recycling efforts and encourage consistent and accurate reporting across all regulated recycling facilities. Alabama also will undertake regular solid waste management progress reporting and troubleshooting, enhanced solid waste project management, and timely setback mitigation and follow-through activities.

### SWIFR Grants for States and Territories

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding can be used to develop or update plans to advance post-consumer materials management, implement those plans, and to improve data collection efforts. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged, communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to Alabama once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

