

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

Grant Recipient Information

EPA Information

Name: Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

Region: EPA Region 8

Highlights

- Study illegal tire dumps and develop a state tire recycling program.
- Update the Wyoming data directory and the state's recycling app.
- Update Wyoming's Diversion Study.
- Update the Wyoming Solid Waste Tracking Database.

Overview of Wyoming's Planned Activities

Wyoming seeks to enhance the use of existing recycling and diversion opportunities within the state as well as to increase the understanding of the nature and extent of solid waste and divertible materials generated in Wyoming. Wyoming will identify illegal tire piles, create a database with the location of these tire piles, collect data on the tonnage and volume of the piles, and develop a plan for a statewide tire recycling program. They also will update the directory of facilities handling waste management and implement a data collection application for these facilities. The state will focus on improving data collection and measurement, adding waste category variables and waste material

metrics to the database, and creating a mechanism to export data to the solid waste tracking database. With the data collected, Wyoming will update their diversion study.

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 Wyoming once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

