

Table E-1 Summary of Alternatives

Alternative	Description	Impact on Waste Capacity	Efficiency Improvements	Implementation Complexity	Fiscal Impacts ***	Other Benefits
Formalize the PAG	This is an interim step towards development of a WRSWMA. Improved communications will help identify short-term wins.	Low*	Medium	Low	Low	This is an interim step towards development of a WRSWMA. Improved communications will help identify short-term wins.
Establish WRSWMA	A WRSWMA has the potential to implement a variety of program that will lead to improvements in regional programs.	Low*	High	High	Low / Medium	A WRSWMA has the potential to implement a variety of program that will lead to improvements in regional programs.
Cooperative public Information programs	Improved program cost-effectiveness and training will lead to better management of programs.	Low	Medium	Low	Low	Improved program cost-effectiveness and training will lead to better management of programs.
Cooperative recycling marketing	Cooperative programs present an opportunity for communities in rural areas to establish and/or operate more cost-effective recycling programs.	Low	Low / Medium**	Low	Low	Cooperative programs present an opportunity for communities in rural areas to more cost-effectively operate recycling programs.
Increase availability of convenience stations & recycling centers	Offers potential to reduce illegal dumping and can offer recycling options in areas where there is not collection program.	Low	Low / Medium**	Medium	Medium	Offers potential to reduce illegal dumping and recycling options in areas where there is not collection program.
Increase organics management capacity	Compost facilities offer an alternative to landfilling brush and biosolids (sludge).	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Compost facilities offer an alternative to landfilling brush and biosolids (sludge).
Cooperative collection services	Multi-city collection contracts should yield lower costs. Can be a means of establishing flow control to a specific facility.	Low	High	Medium	Low / Medium	Multi-city collection contracts should yield lower costs. Can be a means of establishing flow control to a specific facility.
Cooperative disaster debris management programs	Cooperative action to address storm events can improve recovery times and reduce environmental impacts of disaster events.	Low	Medium	Medium	Low	Cooperative action to address storm events can improve recovery times and reduce environmental impacts of disaster events.
Increased transfer station capacity	Transfer stations in certain areas will reduce haul costs and make collection systems more efficient.	Low	High	High	High	Transfer stations in certain areas will reduce haul costs and make collection systems more efficient.
Increase landfill capacity	Region has approximately 15-20 years remaining capacity, about the time it takes to identify, permit and construct new capacity.	High	High	High	High	Region has approximately 15-20 years remaining capacity, about the time it takes to identify new capacity.
<p>* By themselves these will not significantly reduce waste but they create an organizational structure that can implement the following recommendations. ** Low in urban settings, Medium in more rural settings *** Low – under \$1 million, Medium \$1 - \$5 million; High over \$5 million</p>						