Project Objective: The definitions of Solid Waste, Recyclable Materials, and Recycling are the basis for all solid waste handling activities. These terms are defined in statute, but subject to some interpretation. The work group will focus on these terms and determine if they can be clarified or improved within the limits of existing statutes.
Meeting Objectives:
- Refine comments on draft language.
- Develop list of other definitions needed

Ground Rules
- Turn off distractions (phone, email etc)
- Success depends on participation
- Avoid acronyms
- Share air time
- Share the why as well as the what
- These are preliminary thoughts
- Feedback loops with constituent groups/gatekeepers
- Regular attendance – if you can’t attend designate a proxy

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| Factors to consider for recycling and solid waste | Review draft language  
Consider issues related to: composting, anaerobic digesters, scrap metals, impacted soils, others |
| Review other definitions needed     | Reuse                                                                              |
| Wrap-up & Check-out                |                                                                                   |

Question: how is this going to fit in with whatever else is going on?

Depends on what comes out of the work groups. This WG overlaps more than others. Each WG comes up with recommendations – when all groups are done agency and staff will put it together to work through issues. Will come up with an informal draft of the entire rule and we will take comments. We will take all comments.

Question: Can Ecology and UTC provide and overview of what they regulate?

There was a discussion that went on for over an hour. The UTC referenced the definition of solid waste as listed in 81.77.010: (9) "Solid waste" means the same as defined under RCW 70.95.030, except for the purposes of this chapter solid waste does not include recyclable materials except for source separated recyclable materials collected from residences;

The UTC summed up as they regulate: "Rates, routes, service territories, and safety"

Ecology supports local governments in regulating/overseeing the facilities that receive the materials.
There was a long discussion over the term “valuable.”

Comments:

- Valuable: when it has/has not value to person getting rid of it OR has value to people receiving it.
- What about ADC?: People buy ADC. People buy soil. Some materials are used. But markets change. If somebody is paying for something “revenue generating cover”
- ECY: ADC is always disposal. It is not recycling
- Market determines what is recyclable or not.
- A waste that has a BUD is still a waste
- A steel mill is an exempt recycling facility. Everything they take is to a spec.

There was a discussion as to how to modify the current draft language. We proposed making items #1-3: mandatory and #4-5 as Factors to be considered

**Homework: consider what should be mandatory and what is a factor**

**Next meeting is January 6 conference call from 1:00-2:30**