Notes from June 16, 2015 350 Definitions Workgroup Meeting

The following group members attended the meeting: Andrew Kenefick, Rod Whittaker, Bruce Chattin, Jennifer Hill, Scott Windsor (on phone), Sego Jackson, Suellen Mele, Ted Silvestri, Troy Lautenbach, Dave Bader, Gary Bleeker, Alli Kingfisher (on phone), Jim Sells, Penny Ingram (on phone),, Jerry Bartlett, Bart Kale

-The group reviewed the Ecology DRAFT dated 6-9-2015, and commented that the Ecology DRAFT was similar, but a little more complicated than the original 2-25-2015 Workgroup version.

-The group wondered why factor (2) was modified. The group that the words "or" should not be used because it may confuse some people when trying to determine if the material they are handling is a solid waste.

-The group did not like putting a 180 day limit on storage of material, since some metal recyclers may hold metal for longer than 180 days while they wait for better pricing.

-The group asked if Alli and I could set up a meeting with the Ecology 350 Leads to discuss the original version of WAC 173-350-XXX dated 2-25-2015, so Alli and I told them that we would try to have a meeting arranged, so that the workgroup could speak directly to Ecology staff.

-The group reviewed sections 173-350-210 and 310 and discussed the differences between Ecology's definition of Recycling, and Material Recovery Facilities. A couple of the group members were not familiar with the definitions in 173-350-100, and Gary explained that a facility which collects, compacts, and prepares solid waste for transport is defined as a Material Recovery Facility and not a Recycler. A couple of the workgroup members tried to argue that they are recyclers, even though they only collect, compact and prepare material for shipment.

It appeared obvious that the definition of a Material Recovery Facility was not clearly communicated and understood when it was created.

-It was suggested that Ecology add more Recyclers to the workgroup, and we stated that we would try to accomplish that.