



## Re: Mandatory Organics Recycling Law (AB 1826)

Dear Business Owner/Operator,

As you may know, effective September 15, 2020, the State's Mandatory Organic Waste Recycling Law (AB 1826 or Chapter 727, Statutes of 2014) decreased the threshold requiring all **businesses** and **multi-dwelling facilitates of 5 units or more** generating two (2) cubic yards or more of solid waste per week to recycle their organic waste including landscape waste, wood waste, and food waste.

Madera County has contracted with Emadco to provide organic waste recycling services within your region of the County to assist you with complying with this requirement. Information about the company's organics waste recycling services can be found at their website <https://www.emadcodisposal.com/organic-recycling>.

As the Local Agency, the County is required to monitor and report on business compliance with AB 1826.

Based on our records, the County understands that your business is currently not recycling organics waste through Emadco's organic waste recycling service, and therefore may not be in compliance with AB 1826. You are required to comply with AB 1826 and may do so by taking the following actions:

- Subscribe to organic waste collection services with Emadco. They can be reached at (559) 683-4680.
- Separate organics such as wood waste, food and/or landscape waste from your trash and dispose of it through self-hauling to a qualified organics recycling center. (see [www.findacomposter.com](http://www.findacomposter.com) to locate organics recycling facilities)
- Donate edible food to a food bank, or food rescue program/organization as appropriate. You may contact the Madera Food Bank (<http://maderafoodbank.com/>) at (559) 674-1482 or the Central California Food Bank (<https://ccfoodbank.org/>) at (559) 237-3663 to check on potential food donation opportunities.
- Identify an exemption from participating in Emadco's organic waste collection services (please complete and return the attached form). Note: Exemptions are subject to approval by the local jurisdiction.



Your immediate attention to this compliance concern is requested. Please respond to this letter with your plan to come into compliance within the next 30 days.

On behalf of Madera County, I sincerely appreciate your immediate attention to this matter, and I look forward to hearing from you.

If you have any questions, please contact Emadco at (559) 683-4680 or the County Public Works Department at (559) 675-7811.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jared Carter".

Jared Carter  
Deputy Public Works Director

c: Ashley Smith, Emadco