



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 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.

MADERA COUNTY AB 1826 BUSINESS COMPLIANCE VERIFICATION

Please mail, email or fax completed form within ten (10) business days to:

Jared Carter
Deputy Public Works Director
Madera County
200 W. 4th Street
Madera, CA 93637
SolidWaste@maderacounty.com
Fax: 559-675-7631

Business Name: _____ Date: _____

Business Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

1. Has your business been offered organic waste (food and landscape waste) collection services by Emadco? YES NO

2. Does your business now have organic waste collection services in place or in the process of being put in place with Emadco? YES NO

3. Does your business currently handle organic waste in another manner besides subscribing to Emadco services? If so, please provide further explanation. YES NO

EXPLANATION:

4. What are the reason(s) your business does not currently have organic waste collection services? Please provide further explanation for the selected option(s).

- LACK OF PHYSICAL SPACE
- SELF-HAULING OWN ORGANIC WASTE (Provide evidence/records)
- IMPLEMENTED NEW PRACTICES THAT RESULT IN RECYCLING A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF ORGANIC WASTE
- ON-SITE COMPOSTING OR REUSE (i.e. animal feed)

EXPLANATION:
