

County Teams

In line with activity for the Michigan Material County Engagement (MMCE) Grant received by NEMCOG, county teams are intended to be assembled who will play a crucial role in being voices for their counties, be at the center of strategizing solutions, and can benefit from various resources and collaboration. These county teams will be the leaders in transforming 20-year-old solid waste plans to strategic materials management plans which will meet State requirements and help support economic development and a clean future in the region.

County Teams are intended to be made up of representatives from across the county including:

- County representative (commissioner, administrator, designated planning rep (DPA))
- City and Township Mayors, Managers, supervisors, or other representatives
- Council members
- Conservation District Managers
- Economic Development agency representation
- Business leadership of current or potential end markets
- Engaged Recycling Volunteers/advocates

Core County Team Roles:

- Engage in workshops and meetings
- Review and provide feedback on County data (compiled in 'county profiles')
- Consider and develop strategies for material solutions in the county
- Consider and engage in material solutions in the region
- Collaborate with other county teams

County Team Schedule:

Timing	Core Activities	Objectives
Early August	Initial County Team Meeting	Initial meeting of the County team and opportunity to discuss roles, review county data, and capture priorities.
Late August	Workshop: Needs Assessment	An in-person workshop which will discuss county needs and opportunities to fill those needs. Will include breakouts with county teams along with collaboration with the regions at large.
September	County Team Meeting(s)	1-2 meetings held between planned workshops for county teams to further discuss opportunities and develop strategies.
October	Workshop: Forward Planning	This workshop will bring together learnings from prior engagement to capture strategic next steps and work towards implementing solutions developed by each county team.