

CDRA Representing C&D Recyclers' Interests!

Very high-level meetings and conference calls have been taking place regarding the future of recycling in the United States. These fast-moving talks, started last America Recycles Day (ARD) and are scheduled to finish by the next ARD, are led by top personnel in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and are focused more on curbside recycling and the crisis it faces with the collapse of the China market. While C&D is not a focus of this project, the CDRA, along with several waste and recycling organizations and large corporations, has been participating in order to ensure that the interests of C&D recyclers are represented. Otherwise, regulations and policy could be developed that could impede C&D recycling.

The point is that if there was no CDRA, there would be no organization involved in this important project representing C&D interests. The CDRA is the only association that promotes and works for C&D recyclers. It may be a narrow focus, but it is not diluted by outside interests ranging from curbside, generators, landfills, and other influences.

The CDRA membership is mostly made of recyclers, along with their government, vendor, and consultant partners. They provide a great base and source of ideas on what is needed to improve the business of C&D recycling while providing a platform for the CDRA staff to reach out and work in top government and research circles. This provides its members, which are predominantly small businesses, the opportunity to be represented with the rest of the waste and recycling industry.

Industry-specific research is another way the CDRA promotes the C&D industry. We have studied or financed studies on everything from recycled concrete, recycled asphalt shingles, to C&D fines. We use the funds from membership dues and sponsorships to further the needs of C&D recyclers. The main thrust of this research is markets and market development, which, along with responding to government regulation, is the biggest concern of C&D recyclers. Helping solve those issues is what the CDRA does.

Get Your ConExpo-Con/Agg Badges Through CDRA

The CDRA will again co-locate C&D World 2020, its Annual Meeting, on March 11 during the huge ConExpo-Con/Agg show March 10-14, 2020 in Las Vegas. As always, attendees to C&D World will get badges to enter the equipment exhibition at the Las Vegas Convention Center, which is truly a sight to be seen. And attendees to C&D World will be treated to an excellent half-day program, the exciting fundraiser, as always, as well as room rates - reduced from what one can get from the show. So please make your plans now to have C&D World as part of your Las Vegas itinerary.

But if you are not able to make C&D World but still want to go to ConExpo-Con/Agg, reduced rate exhibit hall badges can be purchased through the CDRA. More information will be coming out in the next two months.

In addition, the CDRA will be sponsoring select education sessions at ConExpo-Con/Agg and can provide reduced rates to all sessions at the big show.

CDRA members will receive the following discounted rates for ConExpo-Con/Agg Educational Sessions:

- \$95 until January 17, 2020
- \$149 until March 9, 2020
- \$179 during CONEXPO-CON/AGG show days

Additionally, CDRA members will be eligible to register for ConExpo-Con/Agg educational sessions at the following discounted rates:

- \$495 for an all-session pass with USB recording
- \$345 for an all-session pass
- \$175 for a single-day pass
- \$59 per single session

C&D World 2020 registration pricing will be announced in the upcoming months.

Remember to make CDRA part of your ConExpo-Con/Agg plans.

Free Safety Webinar

Recycling Operations Fire Prevention

Date: July 23, 2019

Speaker: Jeff Howell- Safety Consultant & Retired Fire Chief, Assurance

Description: The CDRA Risk Management Committee will be sponsoring a **free** fire prevention webinar. Fires are a well-known risk in the recycling industry. Fires on tipping floors, sorting operations, and heavy equipment are expensive and potentially devastating. This webinar will discuss practical strategies and activities to minimize the risk of fires in a recycling facility. We will be sharing known best practices that are employed by recycling companies that are proven to reduce fire risk.

Who should attend: This webinar is geared toward operations personnel and owners.

Cost: Free of charge to members

For more information, contact the CDRA at info@cdrecycling.org.

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