



State of Wisconsin
Governor Scott Walker

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
Ben Brancel, Secretary

To: Recycling and solid waste coordinators in Wisconsin, and Wisconsin law enforcement agencies
From: Jane Larson, coordinator, Wisconsin Clean Sweep Program
Date: March 22, 2013
RE: **Inviting your comments as we update Clean Sweep regulations**

We are revising ATCP 34, the administrative rule under which we operate the Clean Sweep grant program. To do this, we need your input.

We have scheduled listening sessions on four days from 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.:

Appleton – Tuesday, April 9, Outagamie County Solid Waste and Recycling, 1419 N. Holland Road, education room
Stevens Point – Thursday, April 11, Portage County Court Annex Building, 1462 Strongs Ave., conference rooms 1- 2
Eau Claire – Tuesday, April 16, DNR Service Center, 1300 W. Clairemont Ave., rooms 185 and 158
Jefferson – Thursday, April 18, UW-Cooperative Extension, 864 Collins Road, room 8 - 9

If you are interested in **agricultural and household hazardous waste grants**, attend 9-11:30 a.m.

If you are interested in **unwanted prescription drug grants**, attend 1-3 p.m.

If this doesn't work for your schedule, please feel free to attend during either time to give us your comments.

You can also send your comments to DATCP Clean Sweep, PO Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708-8911, or email them to DATCPDPSWP@wisconsin.gov. **We need written or emailed comments by May 1.**

Although we welcome all of your comments, we are particularly interested in the issues of application scoring, grant distribution, program definitions and eligible expenses. Some questions we'll ask you to think about:

Grant distribution

- Should the program provide base grants to every applicant or should we maintain Clean Sweep as a competitive grant program?
- What scoring criteria should we use, if any?
- If competitive, should local governments with permanent collection facilities receive preference *or* should rural communities with no collection facilities receive preference?
- Should we offer ag grants every other year?
- Should we change the maximum awards?

Multi-government applications

- What is a better definition for "multi-government"?

Eligible expenses

- Should we allow purchase of drug drop boxes?
- Should we allow volunteers as part of in-kind match?

Once we have gathered your input, we'll draft a revised rule. We anticipate holding public hearings in October, and having the revised rule in place for the 2015 grant cycle.

Please contact me if you have any questions: 608-224-4545, jane.larson@wi.gov.

Note: A quorum of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee may be present, but no action will be taken.