

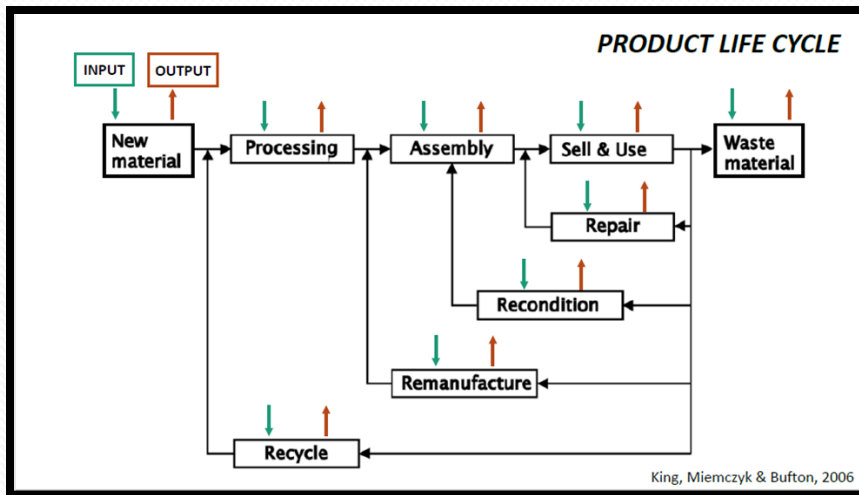
Source Reduction & Reuse Working Group



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Source Reduction and Reuse



- **Source Reduction:** Reduce material use and generation
- **Reuse:** use of a material repeatedly in its same form for the same purpose or for different purposes (includes repair)

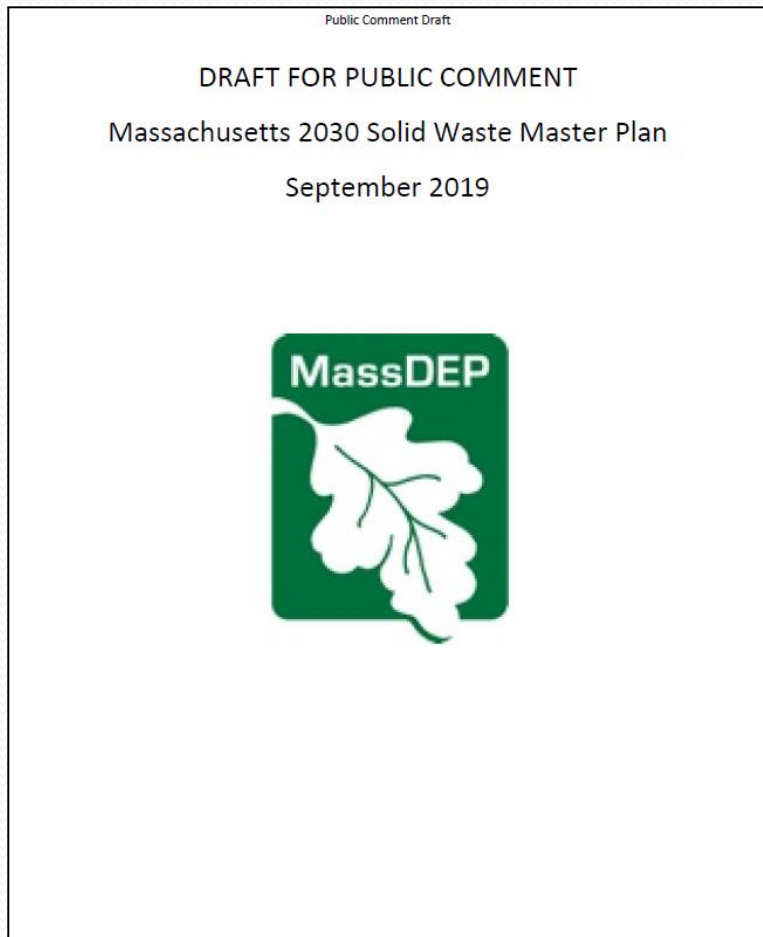
Source Reduction and Reuse: Current Work

- Grant programs (i.e. PAYT, RDP, Micro-Grant, Waste Reduction Grants, School Grants)
- Funding to support market development (RBDG)
- Trainings and case studies to highlight best practices
- Incorporating reuse, repair and product durability in state purchasing contracts
- Technical assistance for source reduction of food waste



Repair Café in Bolton. Photo Credit: Bolton Rotary Club

Source Reduction and Reuse: Next Steps



- Draft Solid Waste Master Plan
 - Source Reduction & Reuse section
 - Includes creating Strategic Reduce and Reuse Action Plan
 - Reduce & Reuse (R&R) Working Group will inform this action plan

Reduce and Reuse: Next Steps

The Strategic reduce and reuse action plan will:

- Access best opportunities to increase source reduction and reuse
- Identify barriers and capacity needs
- Provide data on state of reuse activity in MA
- Create a diverse network of stakeholders

Reduce and Reuse Working Group

- Mission: Provide input to help develop MassDEP Strategic Reduce and Reuse Action Plan
- Expectations:
 - Open to anyone interested in contributing to the Reduce and Reuse Action Plan
 - Especially seeking NGOs, businesses, and municipalities active in reduction & reuse initiatives
 - Monthly meetings for 6-9 months
 - Expected to kick off in Winter 2020
- *Interested in joining the Reduce and Reuse (R&R) Working Group? Email Erin Victor at Erin.Victor@mass.gov*

Priority Materials:

- Textiles
- Furniture (commercial/institutional)
- Household durable goods
- Building materials
- Electronics
- Single use packaging and food service products
- Transportation and distribution packaging
- Wasted food

Community Engagement

- How can we best engage the broader community to garner more input and support for the R&R Action Plan?



R&R Planning Process

Reduce & Reuse (R&R) Working Group to kick off in February 2020

- Meeting Schedule
- Location(s)
- Dates