



# Reduce & Reuse (R&R) Workgroup

**Topic: Single Use Packaging**

*Virtual Meeting – October 28, 2020*

# Agenda

10:00 AM – Welcome & Background

10:10 AM - Sarah Nichols, Sustainable  
Maine Program Director, [Natural  
Resources Council of Maine](#)

10:30 AM – Miriam Gordon, Policy  
Director, [UPSTREAM Solutions](#)

10:50 AM – Q&A with Sarah Nichols  
and Miriam Gordon

11:15 AM – Breakout Rooms: Solutions  
to Single Use Packaging

- \*Solutions for your local community

- \*Solutions for your business or  
institution

- \*Solutions for your elementary or  
secondary school

11:45 AM – Report out from breakout  
rooms

11:55 AM – Announcements

12:00 PM – Adjourn

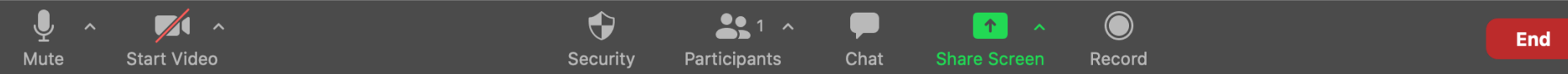
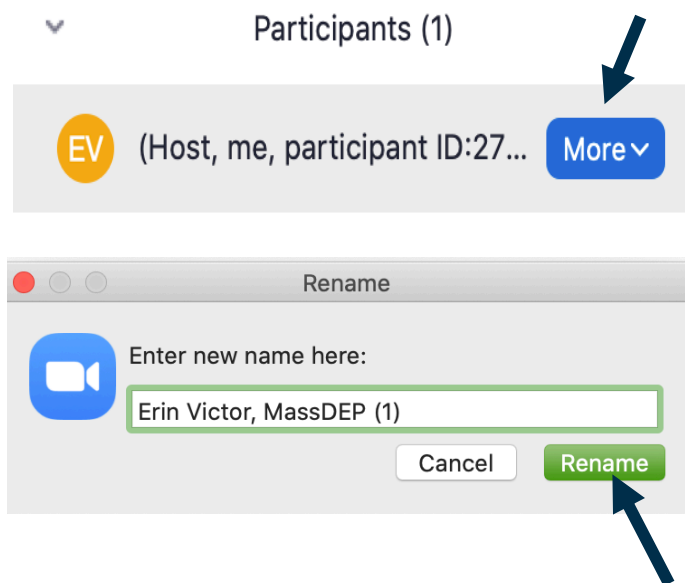
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2. Share your video during breakout sessions

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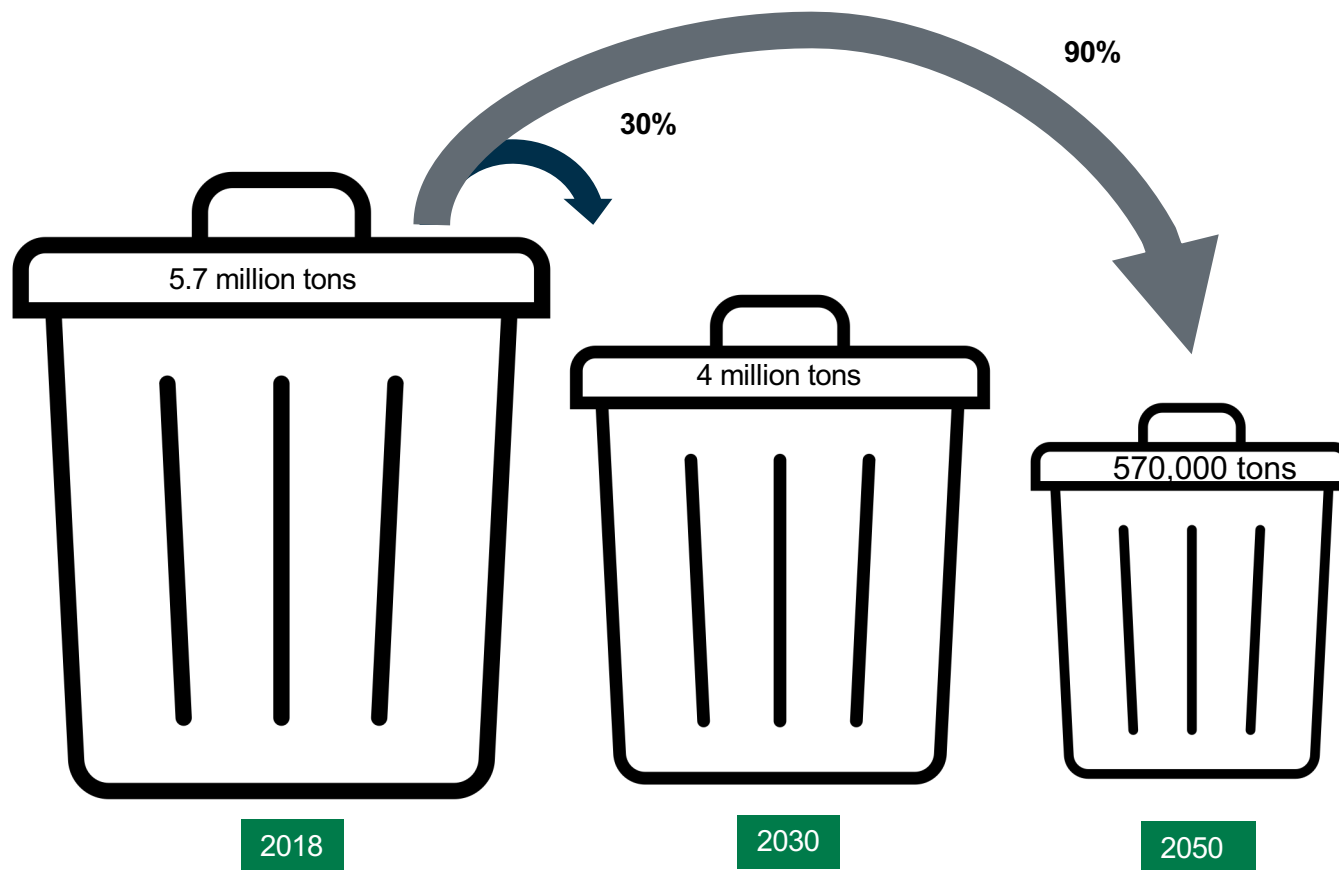
4. Chat with other attendees & ask questions

5. We are recording this meeting. Slides and link to recording will be shared out afterwards



## Zoom Tips & Tricks

# MASSACHUSETTS WASTE REDUCTION GOAL



Single Use Packaging

Building Materials

Textiles & Clothing

Electronics

Household Durable Goods

Organics/Food

Furniture

**PRIORITY MATERIALS**

# Workgroup Schedule

## 2020 Plan:

- ↑ Kickoff Meeting- [March 2020](#)
- ↑ Creating a Culture of Reuse in MA- [April 2020](#); [May 2020](#); [July 2020](#)
- ↑ Reuse Roundtable: *The Future & Safety of Reuse in MA*- [May 2020](#)
- ↑ Household Durable Goods- [May 2020](#); [June 2020](#)
- ↑ Repair Panel Discussion- [August 2020](#)
- ↑ Single Use Packaging & Food Service Products – October 2020
- ↑ Priority Materials Deep Dive – December 2020

\*Used/Surplus Furniture

\*Electronics

\*Textiles & Clothing

\*Transportation & Distribution

Packaging

\*Building Materials

# Single Use Packaging Solutions



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# Breakout Rooms:

## Solutions to Single Use Packaging

1. Solutions for your local community
2. Solutions for your business or institution
3. Solutions for your elementary or secondary school

# Next Meeting

*The R&R workgroup typically meets  
the 4th Wednesday of each month  
at 11AM.*

***We have rescheduled and  
combining November & December  
due to overlap with holiday  
schedules***

Date: Wednesday, December 16

Time: 10AM - 12PM

Location: Virtual

Meeting topic:

Priority Materials Deep Dive

(Choose Your Own Adventure):

- Used/Surplus Furniture  
(Commercial/Institutional)
- Electronics
- Textiles & Clothing
- Building Materials
- Transportation & Distribution  
Packaging

# **Repair & Reuse**

## **At 2020 MassRecycle Conference**

**MassRecycle**  
**Conference**

**October  
28 & 29  
1-4 PM**



**Erin Victor, MassDEP**



**Susan Farr,  
Wachusetts EarthDay**

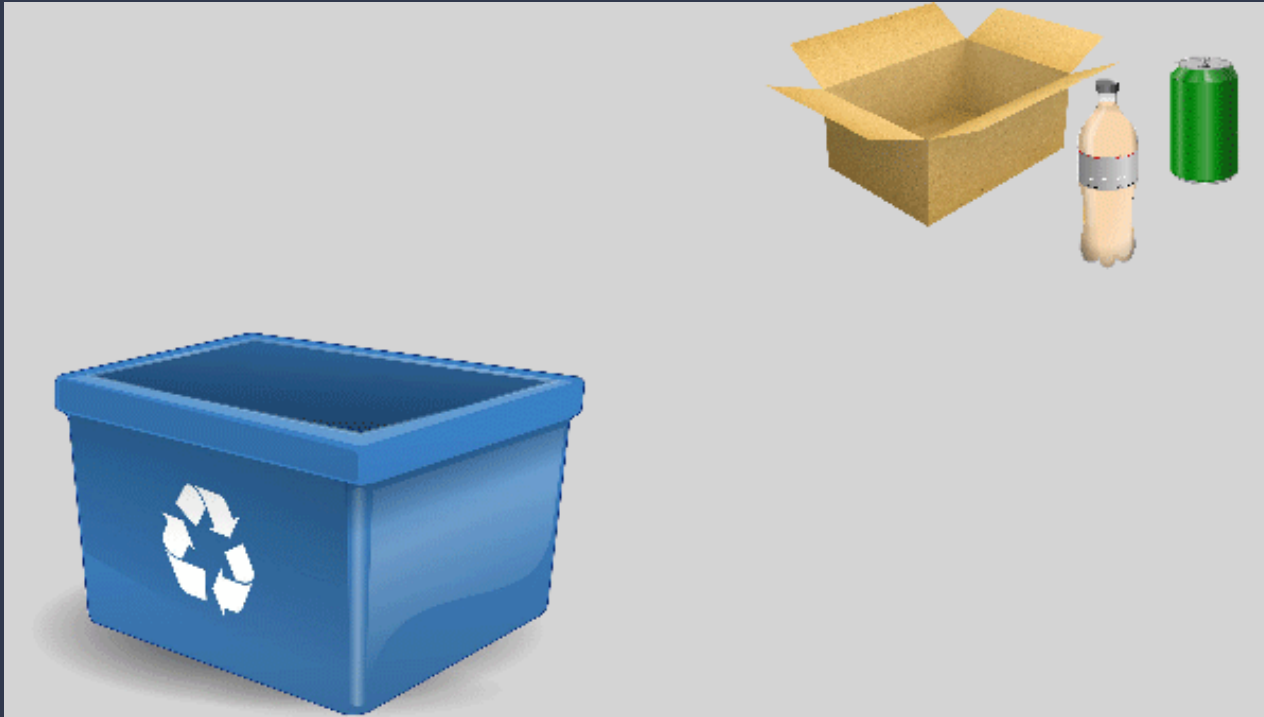


**Michael Orr,  
City of Cambridge**



**Rob Gogan,  
Harvard University**

# REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE-PALOOZA!



- ❑ November 10, 2020: **2020 Fall WasteWise Forum** Sponsored by RecyclingWorks in MA
- ❑ November 12, 2020: **Should Munis Get Back in the MRF Game?**  
Sponsored by Northeast Recycling Council (NERC)
- ❑ November 16, 2020: **Waste Reduction and Why it Matters\***
- ❑ November 17, 2020: **Buy Smart! Buy Recycled**
- ❑ November 18, 2020: **Implementing Effective School Recycling Programs**
- ❑ November 18, 2020: **Talking Trash and Recycling \***
- ❑ November 19, 2020: **Optimizing Our Recycling Education & Outreach Efforts**
- ❑ December 9, 2020: **Best Practices: Contracting for Recycling Collection & Processing**



## NETWORKING RESOURCES

### R&R Working Group Directory

### MA Reduce & Reuse Network (*googlegroups*)

Join by emailing:

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