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# Materials Management Overview

Senate Committee on Environment and  
Natural Resources

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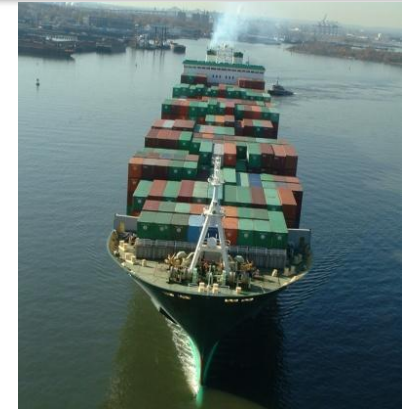
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**Materials = “Stuff”**



## Why focus on materials?

- Use is increasing, both here and abroad
- Rapid rise in material use has led to serious environmental effects
- Dependence on non-renewable materials is increasing

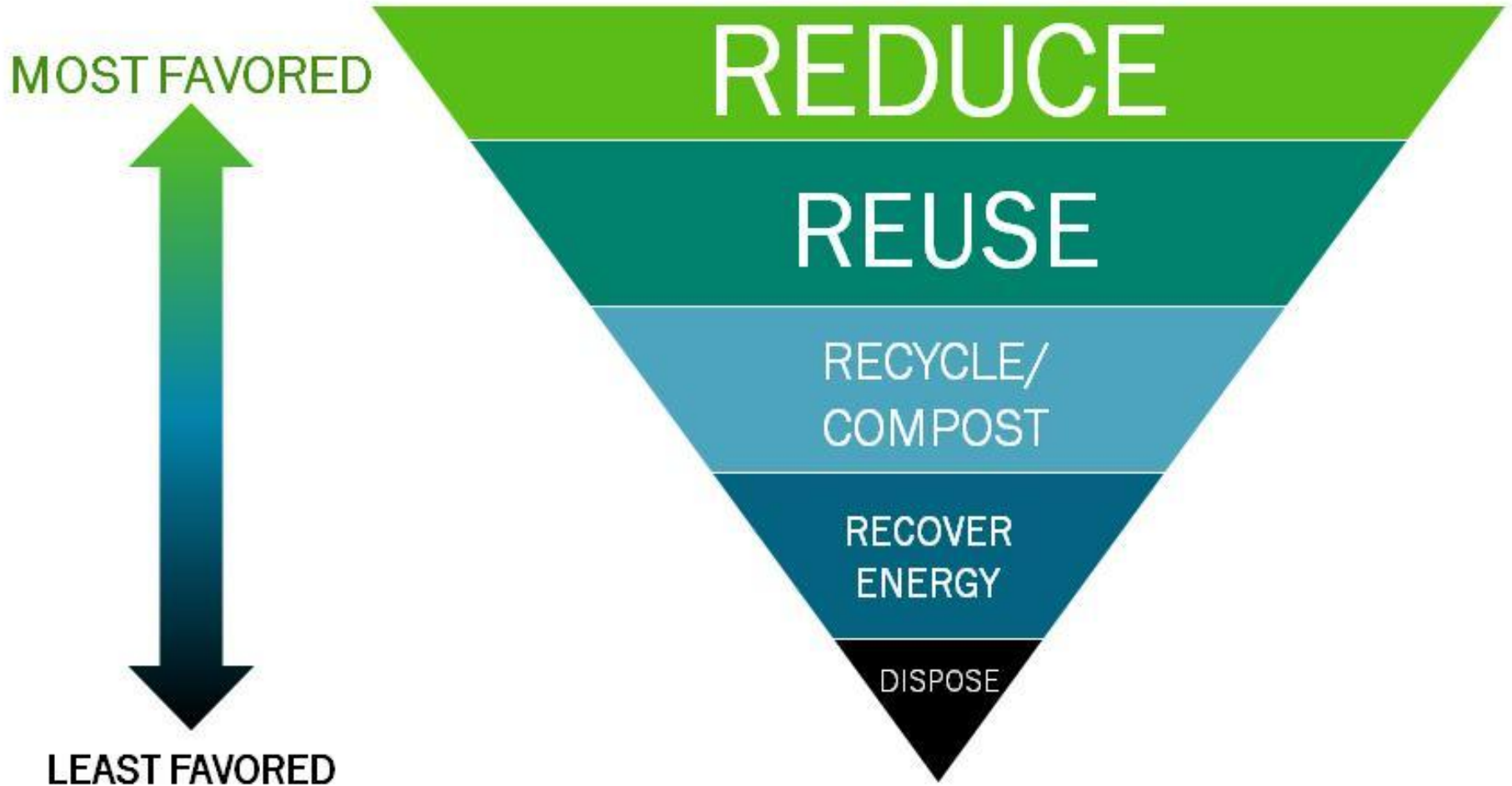


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## A “Life Cycle” View



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## DEQ's Materials Management Program



### Permitting and inspections:

- 117 landfills
- 148 waste transfer stations
- 58 compost facilities

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- Recycling Opportunity Act requirements administration
- Electronics and paint take-back program oversight
- Research and analysis
- Waste prevention

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## 2050 Vision and Framework for Action

### Materials Management in Oregon

2050 Vision and Framework for Action

Adopted by the  
Environmental Quality Commission  
December 6, 2012







State of Oregon  
Department of  
Environmental  
Quality

# DEQ Materials Management

## Helping Businesses Improve Packaging



## Reducing Food Waste



## Recovering Plastics for Best Uses



## Questions



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