

Please support SB 582, this is really a critical issue. Our recycling centers are not equipped to deal with the amount nor varied types of plastics they must handle daily. I read in Science News Magazine recently that in the next 20 years, even more types of plastics are going to be developed. Each type has to be sorted and it's mind boggling right now as it is! Also, if ever (and it isn't right now) chemical recycling is a viable option, recycling centers need the expertise and facilities to deal with current and future developments. We are way behind the demand at present. If recycling is truly going to work and do its job, then research and development of state-of-the art facilities will truly address the overwhelming amount of plastics that need to be processed, not end up in landfill.

Since we use so much plastic, (take a look in your refrigerators, pantries, etc.) we need the facilities to handle the load well. More trained staff, advanced equipment, and streamlined processing are a must. Let's do this for our children and grandchildren, for ourselves, and for our planet. Let's keep plastic out of landfills, streams, rivers, and the ocean by providing adequate plastic recycling at modernized recycling centers. Thank you so much!!