



Organics - What's on the horizon

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Changes coming...

- Feedstocks
- Regulation of plants
- Use of digestate





Simpler Recycling (England)

Implementation continues...

- Food waste collections from households mostly in place
- Starting in April 2027 - Food waste from micro-firms (less than 10 FTEs)
- Communication and enforcement
- Defra forecasting the amount of food waste collected and available for treatment to increase by 100% to **4.8MT by 2035**

Challenges with quality?



Regulatory Changes



- **EA reviewing Standard Rule Permits**
 - SR2021 No 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and SR2023 No 1
 - EA seeking feedback on what needs to be clarified
- **Slurry, manure and digestate treatment**
- **Revision of Appropriate Measures guidance**
- **Methane Action Plan (proposed revision following MEAD 2 – due Autumn)**
- **Non-waste AD under environmental permitting in Scotland – from April 2028**
 - SEPA consultation live

Defra response to Modernising Environmental Permitting Consultation

"We will consult on ensuring non-waste AD is captured as an activity in the EPRs in 2026. This will involve working with industry, regulators and stakeholders to agree an approach for non-waste feedstocks that is practical, effective and proportionate to environmental risk, drawing on existing frameworks where appropriate.

We will ensure thresholds prevent onerous burdens being placed on smaller facilities and provide a lead-in period to allow adjustment for sites that do fall under regulation."

Digestate



- **End of waste:**
 - Resource Framework revision starting early 2027
 - REAL's Research hub - Risk Assessment update and report on digestate derived products
- **Defra looking at digestate valorisation**
- **Fertilising Products Regulations**

Future in the next 5 years?

More...

- **Feedstocks**
- **Value**
- **Integration**
- **Scrutiny**
- **Opportunity**





Thank you

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