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Environment and Energy Committee Meeting

Recycling Education and Outreach (REO) Campaign Recycling Assessment & Updates
June 17, 2025, 9:30-11 a.m.

Please register in advance for the Zoom meeting with the link sent to Committee members.

1. Opening Comments

Kevin Burns, Mayor, City of Geneva; Environment and Energy Committee Chairman and Immediate Past Executive Board Chairman, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

2. What's Up with REO?

Edith Makra, Director of Environmental Initiatives, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

3. Meet the Partners

a. Solid Waste Agency of Lake County
Walter Willis, Executive Director
b. DuPage County
Joy Hinz, Environmental & Sustainability
Programs Manager
c. Kane County
Clair Ryan, Recycling Coordinator

d. McHenry County
Kelli Boeckmann, Solid Waste Manager
e. Will County
Marta Keane, Recycling Program Specialist
f. Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County
Christina Seibert, Executive Director

4. REO & Recycle Coach

Jeff Galad, President, Recycle Coach, and Liz Kunkle, Customer Success Manager, Recycle Coach

5. Why REO?

Phillip Shaffer, Vice President of Chapter Relations, National Waste & Recycling Association; **Javier Erazo**, District Manager, Waste Connections; **John Pausma**, Business Development, Homewood Disposal

6. Baseline Data

Spencer LaBelle, Senior Project Professional, SCS Engineers, and John Noak, Mayor, Village of Romeoville

7. Outreach Specialist

Juliet Mathey, Recycling Education & Outreach Specialist, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

8. Marketing Campaign

Chelsea Maupin, Senior Strategist & Research Manager, Güd Marketing, and **Lauren Abbott,** Account Manager, Güd Marketing

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Metro West Council of Governments · Northwest Municipal Conference · South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association

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9. Closing

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Next Environment and Energy Committee meeting: Sustainability Social, Thursday, July 31st, 3 p.m. at Blackwell Forest Preserve, Warrenville, Illinois

<u>GRC</u> goal and objectives: Engage the community in waste reduction and recycling. Educate the community to reduce waste by consuming less and reusing. Encourage residents and businesses to contribute their time and resources to sustain the community. Utilize strategic partnerships with other community organizations to promote sustainability.

<u>Climate Action Plan</u> strategy: Support circular economies.