

Table III.3 1992 Waste Reduction Recommendations

		Strategy	Implementation Responsibility
Recommendation III.1	Business waste reduction	Expand business waste reduction program by developing model office display, and recognize businesses that incorporate waste reduction into company practices.	County
Recommendation III.2	Employee recycling program	Form a networking committee to expand and create new waste reduction programs for employee recycling program.	County
Recommendation III.3	Holiday waste reduction	Expand waste reduction programs targeting consumers and businesses during the holiday season.	County
Recommendation III.4	Green teams	Increase number of Green Teams school program sites to include all schools.	County
Recommendation III.5	Multimedia strategy	Purchase videos on waste reduction for airing on public access television and participate with other jurisdictions and television media to buy air time to promote waste reduction	County
Recommendation III.6	Targeted waste reduction	Develop and implement one waste reduction program per generator type (residential, business, and institution).	County, cities
Recommendation III.7	Packaging analysis	Analyze trends in manufacturing and product packaging and design and identify excessive and nonrecyclable packaging.	County
Recommendation III.8	Identification of reducible waste	Identify categories of waste which can or cannot be reduced to target eliminating reducible waste.	County
Recommendation III.9	Waste reduction data	Identify existing waste reduction efforts by the private and public sectors.	County
Recommendation III.10	Consortium building	Establish a waste reduction consortium with trade associations and manufacturers.	County
Recommendation III.11	Intergovernmental coordination	Increase intergovernmental coordination to increase influence on waste reduction decisions.	County, cities
Recommendation III.12	National activities	Develop proposals for establishing industry consortiums, intergovernmental coordination and national coalitions to promote waste reduction in products and packaging.	County
* Recommendation III.13	Rate incentives	Continue to encourage waste reduction and recycling through such rate-related incentives as mini-can garbage service, special recycling service rate for non-garbage customers, distributing cost of recycling among all rate payers, and establishing substantial cost differentials between solid waste collection service levels.	County, cities

## 1992 Recycling Recommendations (Continued)

		Strategy	Implementation Responsibility
<b>CITY/COUNTY SUPPORT PROGRAMS</b>			
* Recommendation III.36	Collection rate incentives	Continue to establish rate incentives for solid waste collection that encourage participation in recycling programs (see Recommendation III.13)	County, cities
Recommendation III.37	Procurement policies	Continue the adoption of procurement policies that favor the use of recycled or recyclable products	County, cities
Recommendation III.38	Recycling space standards for new construction	Continue to develop new construction standards that require onsite space for collecting and storing recyclables in multifamily and nonresidential structures countywide	County, cities
Recommendation III.39	City annual reports	Continue annual reports to the County on progress toward implementing the Plan's required programs and achieving established diversion goals	Cities
Recommendation III.40	Data reporting by haulers, recyclers, cities	Continue to provide collection data from household and nonresidential collection programs	County, cities
<b>COUNTY REGIONAL PROGRAMS</b>			
Recommendation III.41	King County Commission for Marketing Recyclable Materials	Continue to foster the development and expansion of recycling markets in King County and the region	County
Recommendation III.42	Business recycling program	Continue to assist businesses and institutions in developing and implementing WR/R programs in the workplace	County, city optional
Recommendation III.43	King County employee recycling program	Continue to provide recycling opportunities in the workplace to King County employees	County
Recommendation III.44	School education program	Continue to work with cities, school districts, haulers and recyclers in the delivery of school educational and collection programs	County
Recommendation III.45	Other WR/R education	Continue existing education programs and community events, develop new programs in the areas of yard waste and mixed waste paper collection, and develop and coordinate a comprehensive media campaign aimed at multiethnic and other groups	County
Recommendation III.46	Clean wood collection	Study and develop programs to increase waste reduction and recycling opportunities for clean wood waste.	County
Recommendation III.47	Master Recycler Composter program	Continue to train community volunteers in recycling and composting techniques	County
Recommendation III.48	Foodwaste research and development	Continue to implement a foodwaste collection, processing, and product testing project under a grant from Ecology	County

county governing body and public hearings, or a change in state law to authorize counties to make this decision more easily. Cities would also be required to implement mandatory collection.

**4. Recommendations**

Alternative B is recommended to meet the goal of supporting WR/R programs by improving rate structures and clarifying nonresidential collection authorities. The specific recommendations that comprise alternative B are summarized in Table IV.7.

**a. Authority**

The cities and King County will implement and maintain rate incentives that encourage waste reduction and recycling. These include variable rates with substantial cost differentials between solid waste collection service levels; once-a-month garbage collection service; mini-can garbage service; and rates for recycling services only for non-garbage customers (see Chapter III, Recommendations III.1-4). To reach 50 percent diversion by 1995, King County should assist and support collection agencies and plan service modifications that are compatible with recycling and other solid waste programs and goals.

The County should pursue state legislation that clarifies authority of counties and cities to set minimum service standards for nonresidential collection of recyclables. (See Chapter III, Recommendation III.1.)

Although mandatory collection is not recommended at this time, the County should study the relationship between mandatory collection, self-haul activity, illegal dumping and participation in recycling programs.

**b. WUTC Rate Review**

The County should continue to seek changes through the WUTC rate review process that would allow haulers to recover costs related to nonresidential, recycling service level improvements called for in the 1989 Plan.

The County and cities should continue to implement rate incentives in residential solid waste collection. (See Chapter III, Recommendation III.(d)).

**5. Implementation**

The recommended actions for solid waste and recyclable collection focus on strengthening King County's ability to implement the 1992 Plan update through enhanced collection services. This would be accomplished by securing state legislation authorizing nonresidential minimum service levels and improving the WUTC rate review process to support and reinforce recycling. It would require an estimated one to two years to implement the desired collection practices.

**Table IV.7 Summary of 1992 Collection Recommendations**

Recommendation IV.1	Collection authority	Pursue state legislation to clarify nonresidential recycling authority of counties and cities to set recommended minimum service standards for nonresidential collection of recyclables.
Recommendation IV.2	Evaluate mandatory collection	Study relationships between mandatory collection, self-haul activity, illegal dumping, and participation in recycling programs.
Recommendation IV.3	WUTC rate review	Continue to seek changes in statutes and in the WUTC rate review process to allow haulers to recover costs related to nonresidential recycling service level improvements called for in the Plan.
Recommendation IV.4	Rate incentives	Continue to implement rate incentives that will encourage waste reduction and recycling (see also Chapter III, Recommendations III.13 and III.36).