

Meeting #693

CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT  
AGENDA REPORT  
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*Old Business*

## ITEM 9a

### Mandatory Food Scraps Recycling Program

On January 1, 2022, Senate Bill 1383 came into effect for all jurisdictions in the state. This is the *Compost Law* or as we're calling it, the *Food Scraps Recycling Law*. Regardless of the name used, residents are now required to separate their food scraps from regular trash and place all food scraps into a separate trash barrel for collection on our regular trash collection day.

This has been discussed by the Board and the information has been passed on to all Beach Road homeowners last year and owners have been informed that special small food scraps barrels will be coming soon. CR&R has been promising to deliver the new trash barrels for the past seven months. There have been delays by CR&R while they organize their trash collection program and procure the required special trash barrels – COVID seems to be the culprit for all types of material delays these days. However, CR&R tells us the new food scraps barrels will be brought to the community as soon as the rain and stormy weather subsides.

Two trash enclosure inspections have been completed and it has been determined that our community is able to take about 100 of these special small barrels. Earlier in the month, the District made a pass through the community and cleaned out a lot of excess loose trash inside the trash enclosures and we know that these new food scraps barrels will fit just fine in most enclosures.

CR&R and the new state agency CalRecycle, understand that not all the homes here on Beach Road are occupied by their owners on a regular basis, that many maintain a primary residence elsewhere. The state has a waiver provision for those eligible homeowners and the District will be processing waivers in the coming weeks. Please know however, that this exception does not apply to those homes that are rented out.

And lastly, homeowners will not be charged for this new service 😊