



Sustainable Food Waste Management Tools and Resources:

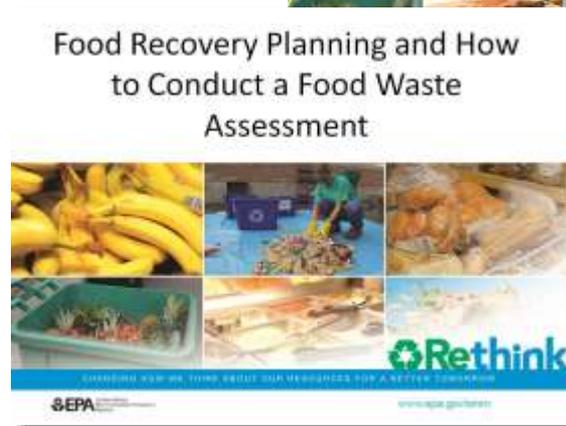
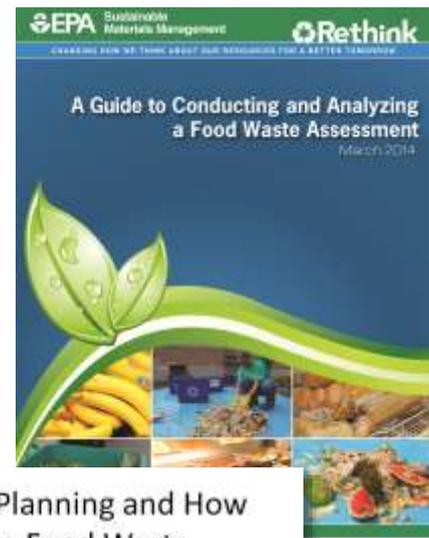
Instructional Material on
Conducting a Food Waste Assessment
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CHANGING HOW WE THINK ABOUT OUR RESOURCES FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

Conducting a Food Waste Assessment

- Purpose & Objective
- The Materials
 - Components
 - Guidebook
 - Narrated Slideshow



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Purpose

To provide new and potential FRC participants with instructional material on how to conduct a food waste assessment.

Objective

"What gets measured gets managed." - Peter Drucker
Define clear, *measurable* goals.

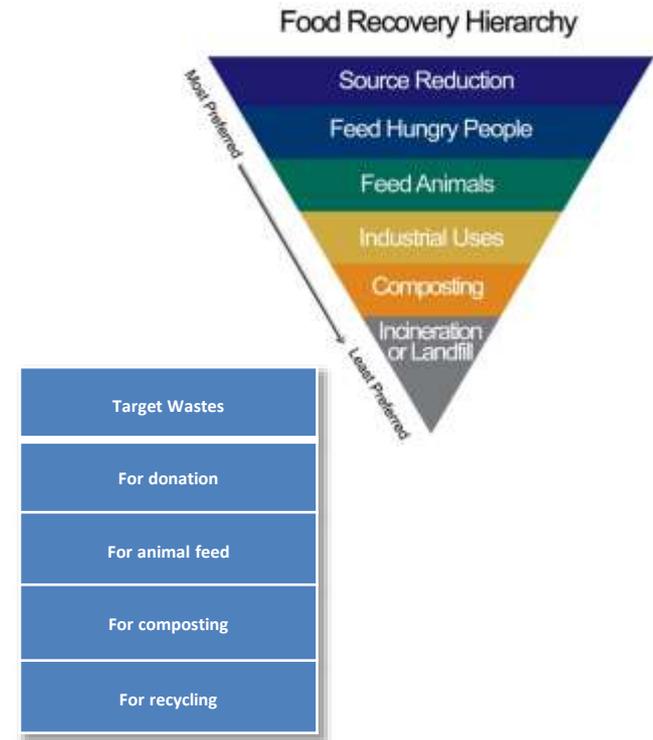


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Materials: Guidebook Components

1. Develop Assessment Goals
 - Examples of targeted wastes and materials typically found
2. Complete Pre-assessment Questionnaire
 - Access to a local food bank that will accept perishable and non-perishable foods?
 - Access to an off-site composter?



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Guidebook Components - continued

3. Plan the assessment process
 - Selecting sorting method
 - Staffing requirements
 - Determining location to perform the assessment

4. Identify Logistics
 - Supplies and materials to perform the sort
 - Protective attire



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Guidebook Components - continued

5. Conducting assessment and collecting data
 - Safety briefing
 - Sorting area setup and layout
 - Recording measurement data

6. Analyze and report results
 - Review data
 - Calculate results
 - Prepare final report



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Guidebook Components - continued

7. Resources

- Food Recovery Challenge
- Tools and Resources
- Sustainable Food Management Webinar Series

8. Appendix

- Pre-assessment questionnaire, example of data recording worksheet, and standard volume to weight conversion factor resources

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Tools &
Resources

Webinar
Series

How to Join Food
Recovery Challenge

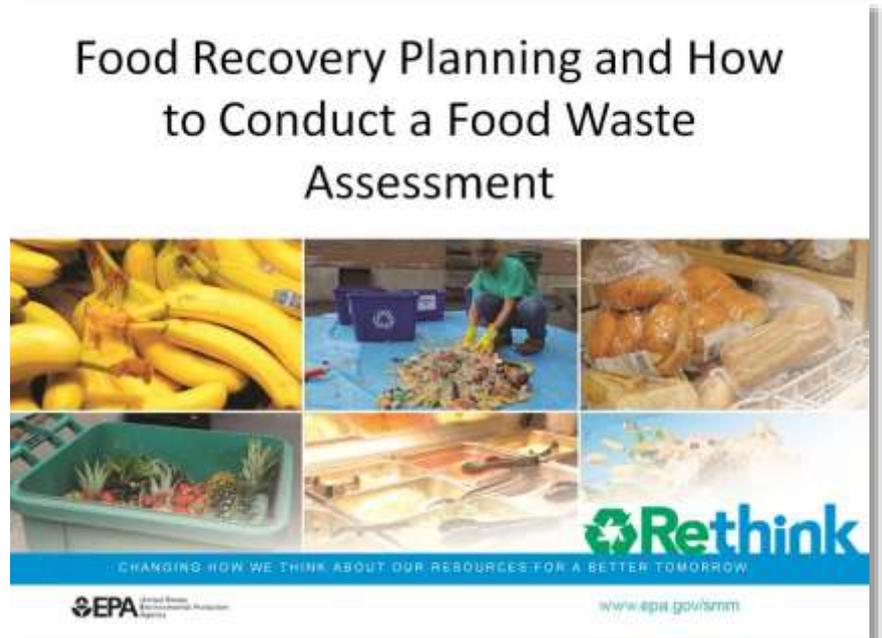


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Materials: Narrated Slideshow

- Shortened version of the guidebook
- Designed to be viewed in collaborative team environment
- Available soon at www.epa.gov/foodrecovery



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THANK YOU!

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