

# Annual SWIP Reports Year 5

This document is to help all Solid Waste Management Entities (SWMEs)—including districts, alliances, and towns—understand the Agency’s expectations for completing their Annual SWIP Reports.

## GUIDANCE FOR YEAR 5 REPORTING

(Report due July 1, 2020 for activities performed during calendar year 2019)

### How are SWIP reporting years tracked?

ANR is using the MMP five-year term as a framework for designating reporting years:

Calendar Year	SWIP Term Year	Report Due
2015	Year 1	July 1, 2016
2016	Year 2	July 1, 2017
2017	Year 3	July 1, 2018
2018	Year 4	July 1, 2019
2019	Year 5	July 1, 2020

### When does my SWIP Year 5 term begin?

SWMEs were expected to begin Year 5 SWIP activities at the beginning of calendar year 2019 (i.e. January 1, 2019), regardless of when their SWIP was approved. Year 5 requirements are due and should be reported by July 1, 2020. All SWMEs will be on the same schedule.

### What if I’m behind schedule with meeting my SWIP requirements?

If your SWIP was approved after the original due date of June 18, 2015, it was behind schedule, and you may be playing catch-up on meeting your SWIP requirements. In response to previous year reporting, the Agency has been in contact with each SWME that was behind, and has specified what is required to catch up. Those requirements are also due July 1, 2020.

### What are the minimum requirements for the Year 5 report due July 1, 2020?

Your approved SWIP is the best guide for what is required during Year 5. For your convenience, use the attached checklist to assist you in preparing your Year 5 annual report.

### What timeframe do I use when reporting disposal and diversion data?

SWMEs should use calendar year 2019 data (Jan. 1, 2019 – Dec. 31, 2019) for the regional disposal calculations in their Year 5 SWIP report. The data used in annual SWIP reports should be sourced from the previous calendar year. Disposal data is required in this report and diversion data is not required for the Year 5 SWIP report.



## What are the HHW/CEG requirements each year?

Calendar Year	SWIP Term Year	H4 Requirement: Convenience Standard
2015	Year 1	Minimum of <b>2 events</b> <u>or</u> access to permanent facility year-round.
2016	Year 2	Minimum of <b>2 events</b> <u>or</u> access to permanent facility year-round; <b>Ensure year-round collection</b> options* exist for: batteries, fluorescent lamps, mercury thermostats, 1-20 lb. propane tanks, electronics, paint, and used oil.
2017	Year 3	Minimum of <b>3 events</b> <u>or</u> access to permanent facility year-round; <b>Ensure year-round collection</b> options* exist for listed materials.
2018	Year 4	Minimum of <b>3 events</b> <u>or</u> access to permanent facility year-round. Effective this year, all towns in region must have access to a facility or at least one event that is <u>within 15 miles</u> . See MMP. <b>Ensure year-round collection</b> options exist for listed materials.
2019	Year 5	<b>Minimum of 4 events</b> <u>or</u> access to permanent facility year-round. <b>All towns in region must have access to a facility or at least one event that is within 15 miles.</b> See MMP. <b>Ensure year-round collection options*</b> exist for listed materials.

\* Year-round collection options for listed HHW/CEG materials can exist at transfer stations or business locations such as a hardware store.

## How do we report requirements that only happen once?

Certain standards are one-time activities, and do not need to be reported on an annual basis. For example, the survey only needs to happen during Year 1 and Year 5. These items will appear on the reporting form in Re-TRAC, but may be locked until the reporting year when it is required.

## Do I need to upload all of the outreach materials used in the past calendar year?

No. You can upload examples of your most popular outreach materials into Re-TRAC, but you do not need to upload a compendium of all resources used and distributed. However, please note that all outreach materials must be kept on file to confirm compliance.

## How do I submit my school and business outreach spreadsheet?

In prior years, each SWME was sent a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with schools and businesses from their region populated on it. Some SWMEs found this list useful to track their contacts and findings. Other SWMEs used their own tracking systems or created their own documents. Each SWME must again submit a list of their school and business outreach contacts and findings with the annual SWIP report. This document can be either the provided spreadsheet, or one of their own design. There is also a simplified version available; let us know if you would like us to send one to you.

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# YEAR 5 Annual SWIP Report CHECKLIST

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Re-TRAC Connect login page: <https://connect.re-trac.com/login>

- Disposal Rate Calculation
- Link to SWIP on website
- Year 5 Survey Results
- Link to A-Z guide on website
- VRP program description
  - Assessment of hauler and facility compliance
- Number of Haulers servicing the region
  - List any updates since last annual report
- Outreach to at least 10% or 2 schools (whichever is greater)
  - If minimum was not met in Year 4, total of both years' requirements must be completed (see ANR response letter)
  - Upload the Business/School Outreach Tracking Sheet
- Outreach to public for all materials in MMP and UR Law using at least two different multi-media methods
- Outreach to at least 2% or 20 businesses (whichever is greater)
  - If minimum was not met in Year 4, total of both years' requirements must be completed (see ANR response letter)
  - Upload the Business/School Outreach Tracking Sheet
- Provide technical assistance on waste reduction for special events
- List options for textile reuse and recycling on website.
- Collaboration with local food rescue groups and list options in region on website.
- Indicate locations of existing facilities for leaf and yard collection and clean wood collection
- At least one key message you circulated on C&D waste reduction
  - Reminder: asphalt shingles and drywall recycling required by July 1, 2021
- Access to a permanent HHW facility or 4 events and 15-mile convenience requirement
- Access to year-round collection for additional MMP-specified materials
  - Batteries, Fluorescent bulbs, Mercury Thermostats, Electronics, Paint, Used Oil, 1 & 20 lb. propane tanks, Tires
  - Upload a list of locations
- Re-TRAC "Annual HHW/CEG Report" for CY2019
- Biosolids Outreach- raise awareness about the beneficial use of biosolids and preventing disposal of HHW and pharmaceuticals in wastewater and septic systems.

