



**New York City's and New York State's Advances in
Urban Resource Recovery and Re-use toward a Circular Economy (URR.11)**

**DYCD 14th Floor Conference Room, @ 2 Lafayette Street, NYC
May 19, 2025, 9 AM – 12 PM**

NYC—and NYS—have made great strides with various policies that advance the city (and the state) toward a circular economy for construction + demolition materials coming from Both vertical/building and horizontal/infrastructure projects. Doing this work, however, leaves little time in the day to tell everyone exactly what we are doing. This event solves that problem—an update plus a working session to keep things moving forward.

9:00-9:05 AM	Introduction Terri Matthews, Director, Town+Gown:NYC @ NYC DDC
9:05-9:25 AM	Executive Order 23/2022—"Clean Construction" Update and Plan Forward Sylvie Binder, Policy Advisor, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, NYC Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice
9:25-9:45 AM	The City's Climate Resiliency Design Guidelines—Intersection of the City's Resiliency Efforts with its Sustainability Efforts Julia Casagrande, PE, Deputy Director, Clean Energy, NYC Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice Helen Chananie, Policy Advisor, Special Projects, NYC Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice
9:45-10:05 AM	NYS Solid Waste Management Plan Kathleen Prather, Supervisor, Solid Waste Recovery and Medical Waste Section, Division of Materials Management, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
10:05-10:25 AM	NYC Solid Waste Management Plan [Process and Status]

Jennifer McDonnell, Deputy Commissioner, Solid Waste Management, NYC Department of Sanitation
Kate Kitchener, Director, Bureau of Recycling and Sustainability, NYC Department of Sanitation

10:25-10:45 AM

NYC's Industrial Plan

John O'Neill, Planning Specialist, Economic Development and Regional Planning, NYC Department of Planning
Jennifer Gravel, Director of Policy Coordination, Strategic Planning, NYC Department of Planning

10:45-11:05 AM

Building Circular Economies in New York City's Industrial Business Zones

Manal Bawazir, Marta Krawczynski and Noah Williams, NYU/Wagner Capstone Team

Remaining Time

Active Session

Post-it Session (10-15 minutes)

1. You have heard today what government is doing in this area. What are other things that you think New York State and New York City can do?
2. Construction is a private-sector activity, with the private sector encompassing for-profit and nonprofit firms. Private firms are involved in the entire process—from design and construction of projects that generate CDM to recovery and processing of CDMs. What are other things that private sector actors can do?
3. What specific construction and demolition materials do you believe we should focus more attention and collective energies on because they are “ripe” for recovery leading to reuse?

Discussion (remainder of time)

Let's all now talk about these ideas for possible actions within government and within the private sector in terms of visions and goals for the next 4 years.