

# **FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT**

## **Solid Waste**

### **Construction & Demolition (C & D) Debris Measurement**

Project Strategy: Improve state understanding of C& D generation, processing and disposal capacity, end-use markets, and interstate flow; develop effective strategies to improve C & D waste management and increase beneficial uses.

The management of construction and demolition (C & D) waste is an important waste management concern in the NEWMOA-member states. The construction industry is active and the capacity of C & D waste management facilities in the region is shrinking; particularly the availability of landfill space for unprocessed material. Some C & D wastes contain toxics, including lead, arsenic, asbestos, PCBs, mercury, and other contaminants.

In 2002, NEWMOA initiated a project that focused on the measurement of state C & D waste processing and disposal capacity and the interstate flow of C & D wastes and recovered materials. The resulting report, based on data from 2001 and 2002 is posted in the solid waste area of the NEWMOA website at [www.newmoa.org/solidwaste/cd.cfm](http://www.newmoa.org/solidwaste/cd.cfm).

In FY 2009, NEWMOA will continue a project to improve the recycling and reuse of C&D materials in the region. NEWMOA is analyzing the available data from 2006 on C&D management in the region and will publish a report that will identify existing reuse and recycling activities and potential opportunities to increase markets. In addition, NEWMOA will engage processing and disposal facilities to better understand the opportunities and constraints they operate under and their ideas for reducing barriers. The project will provide a forum for the states to discuss important C & D management and policy issues.

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