

## Meeting Reminder - Developing the Amended Blue Box Program Plan: In Discussion with the Steward Community

As a business that participates in Stewardship Ontario's Blue Box Program, your feedback and suggestions are essential as we develop our proposal for an amended Blue Box Program Plan (a-BBPP).

We recently sent you <u>an invitation</u> to an a-BBPP meeting scheduled on Wednesday, October 25. At this meeting, Stewardship Ontario will discuss the proposed a-BBPP features that pertain to stewards and address the transition process to full producer responsibility.

Register for the October 25 meeting here.

Also, please note that, as requested in the Minister's direction <u>letter</u> to amend the Blue Box Program Plan, the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (the Authority) and Stewardship Ontario have together developed a <u>Stakeholder</u> <u>and Indigenous Peoples Engagement and Communications Plan</u> that outlines how we intend to engage and consult with stakeholders and Indigenous Peoples as the draft a-BBPP is developed. The Engagement Plan outlines roles and responsibilities, principles and objectives of engagement, key issues and concerns that are likely to arise, details on the two phases of consultation and engagement, ways to provide feedback, and more.

The discussion and feedback gathered from the October 25 meeting will help Stewardship Ontario draft a proposal for an a-BBPP. The draft a-BBPP proposal will be sent out to stewards in December, 2017, for further review and feedback, before being finalized and submitted to the Authority for approval. If the Authority approves the proposal for an a-BBPP, the final proposal and the Stakeholder and Indigenous Peoples Engagement and Communications Plan will then be submitted to the Minister for approval by the February 15, 2018 deadline.

For more information on the a-BBPP initiative, <u>click here</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer James at <u>jjames@stewardshipontario.ca</u>.

Kind regards, Stewardship Ontario

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