

# Nova Scotia Transition to EPR for Packaging and Paper Products

## Community Resource Guide



A blue recycling bin is positioned in the foreground on the left side of the image. The background shows a lush garden with green grass, yellow flowers, and various trees, including a large evergreen. The image is partially obscured by a white circular graphic element on the right side.

# Nova Scotia's EPR Regulation

- On August 2, 2023, the Nova Scotia [Extended Producer Responsibility Regulation](#) was approved for packaging, paper products and packaging like products.
- The Regulation outlines program requirements, targets, and timelines.
- Circular Materials is operating as the not- for-profit producer responsibility organization (PRO) in Nova Scotia that supports producers in meeting their obligations under the Regulation.

# Transition Operational Models

## OPT-IN SERVICE MODEL

**Community** will continue managing current recycling **collection**.



**Payment** provided by Circular Materials based on a **cost per stop**.



**Community** will manage **customer service under current contract**.



**Community** will continue to **manage P&E** with support from Circular Materials, and a top-up will be provided for P&E and contract administration.



## OPT-OUT SERVICE MODEL

**Circular Materials** will manage **collection** for the recycling program.

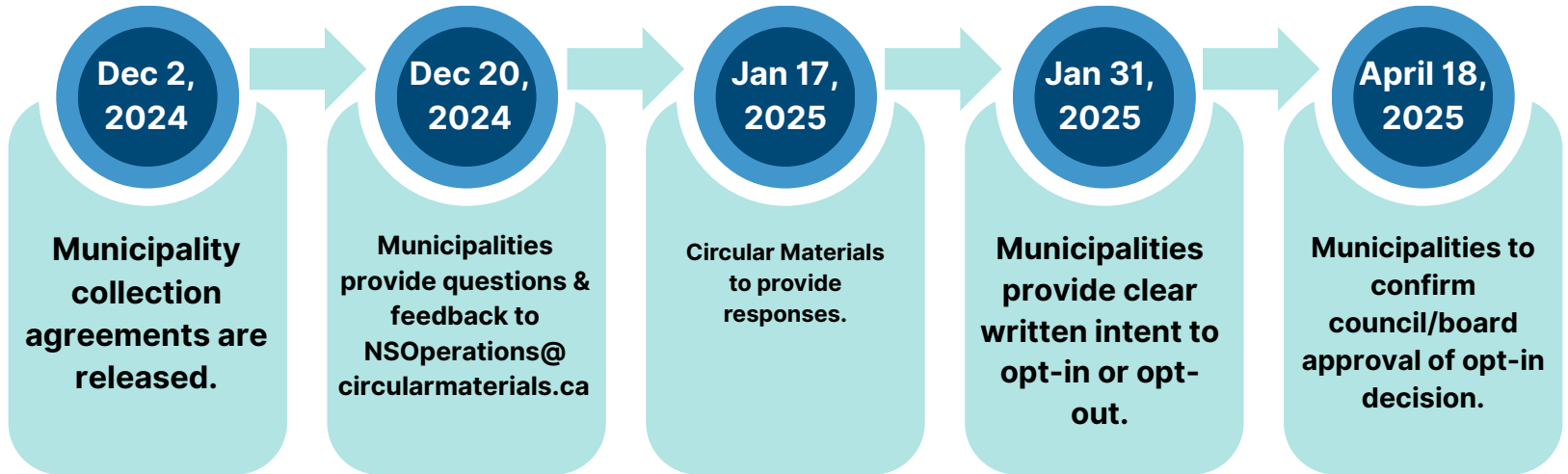
**Circular Materials** will negotiate directly with a **collection service provider** and administer the **collection contract**.

The **collection service provider** will be responsible for **customer service**, with escalated inquiries managed by Circular Materials.

**Circular Materials** will directly **lead P&E in collaboration with the community**.

# Nova Scotia Community Deadlines & Actions

## Launch December 1, 2025



# Financial Offers

**During collection agreement review, Circular Materials will make financial offers:**

- Consist of cost per stop for eligible sources.
- Include consideration for administration, P&E, and customer service.
- Basis includes financial data provided by municipalities to Divert NS and through commercial discussions with individual municipalities.

