

**Green Cities California
California Single-Use Bag Ordinances
Current Status, March 2012**

CURRENT ORDINANCES

(23 CALIFORNIA ORDINANCES ADOPTED TO DATE THAT COVER 43 JURISDICTIONS)

Implemented

1. [City and County of San Francisco](#) (CatEx)
 - plastic ban
 - applies to supermarkets and large chain pharmacies
2. [City of Malibu](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban
 - applies to all retailers and restaurants
3. [Town of Fairfax](#) (voter initiative)
 - plastic ban
 - applies to all retailers and restaurants
4. [City of Palo Alto](#) (MitNegDec)
 - plastic ban
 - applies to supermarkets
5. [Unincorporated Los Angeles County](#) (EIR) ***
 - plastic ban, 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all supermarkets, large pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
 - Prop 26 lawsuit pending, but ordinance in effect
6. [City of Calabasas](#) (relied on LA County EIR)
 - plastic ban, 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all supermarkets, large pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
7. [City of Long Beach](#) (addendum to LA County EIR)
 - plastic ban, 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all supermarkets, large pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
8. [City of Santa Monica](#) (EIR)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all retailers and restaurants, with exemption for take-out food
9. [City of San Jose](#) (EIR)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper (increases to 25 cents)
 - applies to all retailers, with exemption for charitable organizations
10. [Unincorporated Santa Clara County](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban, min 15-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all retailers, with exemption for charitable and social organizations
11. [Unincorporated Marin County](#) (CatEx) ***
 - plastic ban, min 5-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all supermarkets, large pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
12. [City of Manhattan Beach](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban
 - applies to all retailers and restaurants
 - operative date 1/14/12 for large retailers & 7/14/12 for small
13. [Unincorporated Santa Cruz County](#) (MitNegDec)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper (increases to 25 cents)
 - applies to all retailers (restaurants removed per settled lawsuit)

Adopted, Not Implemented

1. [City of Pasadena](#) (addendum to LA County EIR)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all supermarkets, large pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
 - operative date 7/1/12 for large retailers & 12/31/12 for small
2. [City of Monterey](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper (increases to 25 cents)
 - applies to all supermarkets, large pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
 - operative date 6/6/12
3. [City of Sunnyvale](#) (EIR)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper (increases to 25 cents)

- applies to all supermarkets, pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
 - operative date 6/20/12 for large retailers & 3/20/13 for small
4. [San Luis Obispo County Integrated Waste Management Authority](#) (CatEx)***
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all supermarkets, pharmacies, large stores, and convenience stores
 - applies to all of SLO County (incorporated & unincorporated areas)
 - implementation date 10/1/12
 5. [Alameda County Waste Management Authority](#) (EIR)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper & reusable bags
 - applies to all supermarkets, pharmacies, and retailers that sell food
 - operative date 1/1/13
 6. [City and County of San Francisco](#) (expansion of current ordinance) (CatEx)***
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper & reusable bags
 - applies to all retailers and restaurants
 - operative date 10/1/12
 7. [City of Millbrae](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper, min charge for reusable bags
 - applies to all retailers
 - operative date 9/1/12
 8. [City of Laguna Beach](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all retailers
 - operative date 1/1/13
 9. [City of Carpinteria](#) (CatEx) ***
 - plastic & paper ban
 - applies to all retailers & restaurants
 - operative date 7/11/12 for large establishments, 4/11/13 for small

*** lawsuit pending

Adopted, Invalidated by Lawsuit

1. [City of Oakland](#) (CatEx)
 - plastic ban
 - would have applied to all large retailers

PROPOSED ORDINANCES (FORMALLY & INFORMALLY UNDER DISCUSSION)

Official Hearing re: Adoption Scheduled

1. City of Ukiah ([EIR](#))
 - plastic ban, min 10-cent charge for paper
 - applies to all retailers and restaurants
 - Ukiah City Council first reading April 18th at 6pm, streamed live at www.cityofukiah.com.
2. [City of Ojai](#) (NegDec)
 - plastic ban & min 10-cent charge for paper at grocery stores
 - applies to all retailers & restaurants w/ exemption for some food providers
 - adopted at first reading in March but later amended, hearing scheduled for 3/27/12
3. [City of Dana Point](#) (NegDec)
 - Plastic ban, no paper charge
 - Applies to all retailers
 - Operative date 4/1/13 & 10/1/13 for small businesses
 - Passed first reading 3/6/12, second reading not scheduled yet

Under Discussion (formally and informally)

1. City of Belmont
2. City of Berkeley (possible expansion on County ordinance)
3. City of Burbank
4. City of Capitola
5. City of Chico
6. County of Contra Costa (West County)
7. City of Culver City

8. City of Daly City
9. City of Davis
10. City of El Cerrito
11. City of Encinitas
12. City of Fort Bragg
13. City of Foster City
14. City of Fremont
15. City of Glendale
16. City of Hayward
17. City of Hercules
18. County of Humboldt Waste Management Authority
19. [City of Huntington Beach \(EIR\)](#)
20. City of Indio
21. City of Inglewood
22. City of Los Altos
23. City of Los Angeles
24. County of Mendocino
25. City of Mill Valley
26. City of Milpitas
27. City of Mountain View
28. County of Napa
29. City of Pacific Grove
30. City of Palm Desert
31. City of Pinole
32. City of Richmond
33. City of Sacramento
34. County of Sacramento
35. City of Salinas
36. City of San Carlos
37. City of San Clemente
38. County of San Mateo
39. City of San Pablo
40. City of Santa Rosa
41. City of San Rafael
42. City of San Ramon
43. City of Santa Barbara
44. City of Santa Clara
45. City of Santa Cruz
46. City of Scotts Valley
47. City of Sherman Oaks
48. [City of Solana Beach \(NegDec\)](#)
49. Sonoma County Waste Management Agency
(incl Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa,
Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor & unincorp Sonoma County)
50. City of South Lake Tahoe
51. City of South Pasadena
52. City of South San Francisco
53. Town of Tiburon
54. City of West Hollywood
55. West Valley Solid Waste Management Joint Powers Agency Board
(incl Campbell, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Saratoga)
56. City of Willits

43 local California jurisdictions that have adopted plastic bag ordinances

Alameda
Alameda County (unincorp areas + 14 cities)
Albany
Arroyo Grande
Atascadero
Berkeley
Calabasas
Carpenteria
Dublin
Emeryville
Fairfax
Fremont
Grover Beach
Hayward
Laguna Beach
Livermore
Long Beach
Los Angeles County (unincorp areas)
Malibu
Manhattan Beach
Marin County (unincorp areas)
Millbrae
Monterey
Morro Bay
Newark
Oakland
Oakland (invalidated by lawsuit)
Palo Alto
Pasadena
Paso Robles
Piedmont
Pismo Beach
Pleasanton
San Francisco
San Jose
San Leandro
San Luis Obispo
San Luis Obispo County (unincorp areas + 7 cities)
Santa Clara County
Santa Cruz County
Santa Monica
Sunnyvale
Union City