

EMERGING SOLAR IN ILLINOIS

SWANA's Young Professionals (YP) are members of the solid waste industry who are 35 years old and younger. All industry professionals (regardless of age) are welcome to attend this event. YP's will have the opportunity to network with one another and with experienced solid waste professionals.

What's it all about?

The new Illinois Future Energy Jobs Act (FEJA) which went into effect June 1, 2017, requires an updated Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) in Illinois. This new RPS directs that solar energy use be expanded, increasing Illinois' solar capacity from about 75 MW to about 2,700 MW by 2030. With these new requirements, there comes a critical need to examine disposal, recycling or repurposing of used/broken solar panels to ensure protection of the environment.

Join the SWANA Land of Lincoln Chapter's YPs and hear about solar projects, end of life panel recycling efforts nationally and in Illinois as well as the FEJA and what it means for solar in Illinois. Then stay to network and mingle over refreshment, light food and bowling.

Speaker lineup includes:

Samantha Bluemer, Will County: RFQ process of placing Solar on County Landfill, overview of Will County's SolSmart designation.

Jennifer Walling, Illinois Environmental Council: Future Energy Jobs Act (FEJA) and what it means for solar in Illinois

Nancy Holm & Jennifer Martin, Illinois Sustainability Technology Center: A looking ahead at solar panel recycling in Illinois - Overview and history of the solar panel recycling nationwide and the need for PV panel recycling in Illinois.

This event will provide a great opportunity to learn about the Emerging Solar Market in Illinois Contact Eric Fasbender at efasbender@willcountylanduse.com with questions.

Event Details:

WHEN: Wednesday, July 18th, 2018

WHERE: Pinstripes, Oak Brook (7 Oak Brook Center Mall, Oak Brook, IL 60523)

Agenda: 1:45 – 2:00 PM - Check in
2:00 – 4:00 PM - Presentation
4:00 – 6:00 PM - Networking Event

COST: \$40/Attendee
\$25/YP Attendee (Under 35 yrs old),

Please register by noon on July 9th, 2018 at
www.swanainillinois.com

This event is open to all members and non-members alike.

Refreshments and light food will be provided.