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I agree with the primary focus on reducing landfilling as described in this plan, but I did note that Table 4 projects WTE increasing by 5% over the next 20 years and I'm concerned that this does not account for the significant pressure being placed on the Hennepin County Board by activists and some state legislators to close HERC, possibly as soon as 2025. While the decision to close HERC rests with Hennepin County and while I agree with the agency position that closing WTE facilities without a strong plan in place for managing that MMSW is inadvisable, I think there should be some discussion that should HERC close before 2042, what additional capacity for recycling and organics management would be needed and how quickly could that be brought online?

I also noted the strategy for requiring waste composition studies every five years at all landfills in the TCMA. Is there a similar requirement for this at WTE facilities? If not, should there be to help inform what additional capacity may be needed for recycling and organics management to help prevent another situation like what occurred when the Great River Energy WTE facility closed?