



# County of Yolo

## WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

c/o PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

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### MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2011

Dorothy Peterson called the November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Dorothy Peterson, John Geisler, Roberta Childers, Paulina Rosenthal, Larry Fisher, and Jacques DeBra

Staff: Linda Sinderson – Yolo County Planning and Public Works  
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County Planning and Public Works  
Moushumi Hasan – Yolo County Environmental Health

Guests: Jason Smith (Waste Management), Rosie Salas (City of Woodland)

Absent/Notified: Carol Scianna, Sharlene Katz, Michael McDonald, and Michael Fan

#### **Introduction**

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Introductions were made around the room.

#### **Public Comment**

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An opportunity for members of the public to address the Waste Advisory Committee (WAC) on subjects relating to waste management.

#### **Consent Agenda**

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##### **1. Approve Meeting Minutes**

No minutes available for review at this time.

#### **Regular Agenda**

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##### **2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates**

**City of Woodland** – Roberta Childers announced this year's turkey fryer grease collection at the waste water treatment plant during holiday time. Community outreach and publicity are relied on to get the information out to residents.

**City of West Sacramento** – Paulina Rosenthal reported on the turkey fryer grease collection at the public works yard in West Sacramento. "City i-Lights" serves as an electronic reminder to residents of upcoming events and programs available to them.

**Yolo County** – Marissa Juhler highlighted changes to landfill fees which were approved on November 8th by the Board. Rates for tires and metals have gone down while liquid waste was subject to a CPI increase. Also, pressure treated wood is now being accepted. Linda Sinderson requested the members participation in an online survey of county values. Aside from being closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, and New Year's Day, the landfill will follow normal hours of operations.

**Davis Waste Removal** – John Geisler reported on a successful free 3 hour shred event with 300 cars in attendance.

**Davis Community** – Dorothy Peterson gave a positive report of diversion of milk cartons and juice containers in the schools with help from Davis Waste Removal. One school is also interested in recovering food waste. New leaders are being trained in the RISE program to continue its growth and positive impact. Cool Davis Initiative is considering participating with David Gershon (*Low Carbon Diet*) in a comparative study of cities to reduce the carbon footprint in 2012.

**City of Davis** – Jacque DeBra stated that the city is moving forward with the Solid Waste Resource Plan. They will be taking the table of contents to the Natural Resources Commission and then will develop the plan.

### **3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update**

Marissa Juhler stated that written approval has been granted by CalRecycle for the 2012 calendar and the MAC is moving ahead to print. Unless notified in writing before printing, the calendars will have the tag line “funded by CalRecycle”. New flyers will also be produced in December and January for 2012 outreach.

### **4. Proposed Composting Operation**

Marissa Juhler shared information and documents relating to the proposed composting facility. A detailed discussion followed regarding the content of letters of intent from the cities to the Board of Supervisors (Board). On December 13<sup>th</sup>, county staff will ask the Board for specific direction on how to proceed with a composting facility at the landfill. In order to gain Board approval, county staff requests that each city submit a letter of support, by Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, in the intent to evaluate the development of a regional composting facility. In order to achieve that type of facility, each city and jurisdiction will need to make the same commitment under the same terms. It is understood that further detailed negotiations will need to take place before any final agreements can be made between the county and cities.

Jacque DeBra suggested that cities be joined by an MOU for the purpose of developing and implementing the project. The extent of the MOU would be a semi-formal umbrella agreement to clarify how all the parties involved will work together in regards to time frame, cost sharing thresholds, and other deal points in the process. In addition to providing solidarity in purpose for its members, an MOU will also serve to further motivate the third party to offer a prime choice product.

### **5. Discussion of County Integrated Waste Management Plan 5-year Review**

WAC members discussed revision of the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP). Minutes from today’s meeting will be included as a source of the required written comments provided by the local task force. Minor revisions and comments included the following:

- Section 2.0 of Background - It was requested that the words “anticipated” be added to the statement regarding the future construction of a full scale composting facility at the Yolo County Central Landfill.
- Section 5.0 of Other Issues or Supplementary Information – It was requested that we add language specific to the composting facility.

Additional required information is included in the attached report template and tables. From population to taxable sales and labor force, the numbers included in the table are used to generate the new disposal based report.

A draft letter from the local task force (WAC) was presented to members for comment.

**MOTION:** Roberta Childers moved to accept the draft letter from the Waste Advisory Committee, with minor revisions. Paulina Rosenthal seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**MOTION:** Passed unanimously.

### **Member Questions**

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None.

### **Meeting Adjournment**

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Jacque DeBra motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m., seconded by Paulina Rosenthal.

### **Next Meeting**

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The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill. (If any of the cities are unable to meet the November 29<sup>th</sup> deadline for submittal of letters of support for the proposed composting facility, a meeting in December may be requested.)

Carol Scianna, Chair  
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