

# 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 JANUARY 24, 2008

John Geisler called the January 24, 2008 meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. Those present were:

Members:	John Geisler, Carol Scianna, Christine Engel, and Denise Kotko
<u>Staff:</u>	Linda Sinderson – Yolo County Planning and Public Works
	Marissa Juhler – Yolo County Planning and Public Works

Guests: none

Absent/Notified: Sue Gedestad, Dorothy Peterson, Jason Magness

Quorum was met.

### Introduction and Public Comment

Introductions were made around the room.

#### Public Comment

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

## **Consent Agenda**

The following items are set aside as informational. If a WAC member wishes to discuss any item on the Consent Agenda, he or she may move it to the Regular Agenda.

1. **Meeting Minutes** - September and November meeting minutes were discussed and approved with minor changes.

# Regular Agenda

- 2. Elect Committee Chair and Vice Chair Members unanimously elected Jason Magness Chair and John Geisler Vice Chair of the Committee for 2008.
- 3. Member/Jurisdiction Updates

**City of Winters** – Carol Scianna discussed the City's new EARTH Committee which is looking at climate change issues.

**City of Woodland** – Christine Engel announced that the greenwaste containers were rolled out in Woodland about two weeks ago. Initially, there were a few problems but these have been corrected and the overall public response has been good. Christine also stated that the City has set up an Energy Committee to look into the City's carbon footprint and sustainability issues.

**City of Davis** – There was no official update because Sue Gedestad was absent. However, John Geisler informed everyone that the City's containerized greenwaste pilot project has been voted down.

**West Sacramento** – Denise Kotko informed the Committee that West Sacramento has a new recycling employee, Ernesto Lucero and that West Sacramento is working with Waste Management to extend the current franchise agreement.

**Yolo County** – Linda Sinderson explained the Landfill and Esparto Convenience Center fee revisions that were passed by the Board of Supervisors at the January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

In addition, Linda updated the Committee on the negotiations with WM and DWR regarding contracts for the County's unincorporated franchised collection program, and progress on securing waste agreements with jurisdictions and haulers to bring out-of-county MSW and greenwaste to YCCL.

Linda also touched on the progress for the revised SWFP and a start date for the new CDI MRF. (See Agenda Item 5 below for more details.)

- 4. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update There was discussion about (1) the joint effort of the County and local jurisdictions to create an educational outreach campaign and corresponding literature and materials to target proper disposal of universal waste. (2) The revisions to the Take It Back Fluorescent Lamp Recycling Program. Under the current HD15 grant, 75% of the grant funds have already been used by one jurisdiction, via Davis Ace Hardware. This is a positively successful program but in order to ensure that each of the jurisdictions get a fair representation of the funds, the County will be setting aside a supply for Woodland, West Sacramento and Winters with a portion of the remaining funds. Letters will go out to all participants in the program letting them know that if funds exist beyond 6/30/08 we will then honor a 50/50 matching program. (Ex. If Davis Ace Hardware purchased 5 lamp recycling boxes, the County would in turn purchase 5 additional boxes for them with the grant funds.) (3) The current HHW contract will end 6/30/08. We are looking to send out an RFP in the next few weeks soliciting proposals. If funds are available, the County will be looking into contracting out a full-time operation of the HHW program for every Friday and Saturday drop off events.(4) The new C&D ordinance, planned for Board approval in late February, will include an element for reviewing any appeals brought forth from deposit fees. The County has "tentatively" slated the WAC as the appeals board, still to be reviewed by County Counsel, and discussion was both in favor and not in favor of this idea.
- 5. NDFE Revision Linda Sinderson explained to the Committee that the CIWMB staff has informed the County that they believe that the County's permit application is in non-conformance with the NDFE, and that the NDFE needs to be updated to include both the Anaerobic Digester (AD) and CDI MRF before staff can recommend approval of the revised SWFP to the Waste Board. Linda discussed the CIWMB's findings and the NDFE revision process and presented draft NDFE Fact sheets and project descriptions for both facilities. Committee members discussed and considered the issue and acting as the Local Task Force and found these projects to be consistent with the regional recovery goals and objectives of local AB 939 related planning documents and that these facilities could have positive regional impacts on diversion in the County of Yolo. The Committee agreed to meet again, if necessary, within the next week or two to approve written comments to the County. Linda agreed to find out if another meeting was required.

# **Member Questions**

An opportunity for members of the Waste Advisory Committee to ask questions, but not to take action, on waste management issues not listed under either the consent or Regular Agenda items.

There was a question followed by extensive discussion about the purpose and value of the WAC. It was established by the members present that, in their opinion, the WAC currently has lost its purpose and value, but that if it can be regained, the appeals related to the C&D Ordinance would be fine to add as a task under the WAC. The members present would like to work toward this goal. If the WAC is going to continue to operate in its current capacity the general consensus was that there was no need to add this task and that it would be better to use a different option for the appeals.

# Meeting Adjournment

John Geisler adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

# **Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 28, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

Jason Magness, Chair Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee Prepared By: Linda Sinderson Division of Integrated Waste Management