



# County of Yolo

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## WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE c/o DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

### MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2016

John Geisler called the April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Those present were:

**Members:** John Geisler, Michael McDonald, Jacques Franco, Larry Fisher, Michael Fan, Paulina Benner, Roberta Childers, and Carol Scianna

**Staff:** Linda Sinderson – Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Ramin Yazdani – Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Pam Hedrick – Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Tamara Lokteff – Yolo County DCS, DIWM

**Guests:** Jennifer Gilbert – City of Davis, member of the public  
Rosie Ledesma – City of Woodland

**Absent/Notified:**

#### **Introduction**

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Introductions were made around the room.

#### **Public Comment**

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None.

#### **Consent Agenda**

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

**MOTION:** Carol Scianna moved to approve the March 2016 meeting minutes.  
Roberta Childers seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**MOTION:** Passed. (1 member abstained)

#### **Regular Agenda**

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

###### **Yolo County – Linda Sinderson / Marissa Juhler**

- Acknowledgement – passing of WAC member
  - Dorothy Peterson died peacefully in her sleep at home on April 7, 2016

### **(Yolo County Update, continued)**

- April 26<sup>th</sup> - Board of Supervisors approved purchase of the landfill's gas to energy plant
- Since February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1479 mattresses diverted from the landfill (MJ)
- Reuse Store Grand Opening is now set for Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> (flyers are available)
- Pilot Organics Recycling program for Clarksburg residents (152 homes)
  - Further surveys to come in Esparto, Yolo and Knights Landing
- Cigarette Butt Pollution project released on CPSC list serve and website

### **City of Davis – Jennifer Gilbert gave an update on behalf of Jacques Franco**

- Citywide curbside organic waste pick-up is ready to begin in July
  - Meetings set with homeowners associations to work through details

### **City of West Sacramento – Paulina Benner**

- City Council approved draft terms of Waste Management Franchise agreement
  - Working out details and implementation guidelines for each program.
  - Planning to execute a finalized agreement at the June 15<sup>th</sup> council meeting

### **City of Winters – Carol Scianna**

- May 7<sup>th</sup> – City Wide Yard Sale at the City Park and throughout the city
- May 7<sup>th</sup> – WM Bulky Item / E-waste / HHW event at the City Corp Yard

### **City of Woodland – Roberta Childers**

- Continuing hands-on assistance with recycling program at multi-family complexes
- Successful Bulky Waste event led by Waste Management, 887 cars despite a rainy day

### **UC Davis – Michael Fan**

- E-waste collection event on campus
- Recycling Coordinator is developing a campus plan for getting to Zero Waste by 2020
- Digester is functioning, passed latest testing and UCD received PG&E rebate check
  - Working on a process to extract ammonia for use as organic fertilizer

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

- Used Oil Filter Exchange Event planned for Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

### **4. 2016-17 Division Budget – Linda Sinderson**

- Budget is still in draft form, copies were not yet available
- Proposed changes from last year include: construction of a food/green waste digester, improvements to the gas to energy facility, a paved recycling area and site pavement repairs, development of a liquid waste digester.
- Questions and brief discussion of gas to electricity vs. the feasibility of bio-methane gas

### **5. Composting and C&D Facility Update – Marissa Juhler / Linda Sinderson**

- CalR approved transferring of food waste or green/food waste loads to begin May 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Developing separate RFP's for release on May 9<sup>th</sup> for transferring C&D and Organics
  - Marissa - C&D RFP will include Cal Green's Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 65% diversion requirement
  - Linda/Ramin - RFP for transfer of green/food waste, including digester component
- Questions and discussion about proposals and the options to be available

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## **CalRecycle Organics Grant – Ramin Yazdani**

- YCCL Anaerobic Composter & Liquid Digester Facility packet provided (attached)
  - 8 years of experience, pilot to full scale projects developed with continuing research
  - Ramin reviewed basic process of project and potential for expansion
  - Permitting in process to move forward with the construction
- Potential of Cal Recycling Grant in July – Depends on interpretation of the project
  - Total of \$4M allocated for rural county projects (less than 200 tons per year)
  - Evaluating potential of grant based on city information (List of Questions in packet)
  - “Food rescue” requirement also included in the grant
  - Cal Recycle will require contracts or letters of intent from participating cities
  - Performance based grant - award of funds directly related to diversion over time
  - Grant award will have direct relation to lower fees for residents and contracts
- Marissa Juhler relayed comments from MAC members given via conference call:
  - City of Davis (MAC) – Cannot support digester project without more information but supports the county moving forward in applying for the grant.
  - City of Woodland (MAC) – Cannot support digester grant through waste flow/letter of intent without firm disposal rates.
- Further discussion regarding green/food waste organics diversion.

## **Other Discussions**

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Members requested that the County provide the Meeting Agenda and any supporting materials at least 4-5 working days in advance of the meeting date. It was also requested that the minutes of each meeting be provided to all members in a prompt fashion so that comments can be given in a substantial way.

A member requested that the Waste Advisory Committee pages on the website be reviewed and updated with current information.

## **Member Questions**

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None.

## **Meeting Adjournment**

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Meeting was adjourned by Chairman John Geisler at 4:45 p.m.

## **Next Meeting**

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The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for May 26, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

John Geisler, Chair  
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

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