



County of Yolo

WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

c/o PLANNING, PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

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MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2016

Michael McDonald called the February 25th, 2016 meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Michael McDonald, Jacques Franco, Carol Scianna, Larry Fisher, Paulina Benner, and Michael Fan

Staff: Linda Sinderson – Yolo County PPWES, DIWM
Pam Hedrick – Yolo County PPWES, DIWM

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

Absent/Notified: John Geisler, Dorothy Peterson, and Roberta Childers

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Meeting Minutes

Not available for approval.

Regular Agenda

2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates

Yolo County – Linda Sinderson

- Mattress Recycling – Official program is underway (mattresses accepted free of charge)
 - Trailers on site for customer drop-off and easy pick-up by our contracted local recycler.
 - Businesses bringing in truckloads of mattresses should contact the recycler directly.
 - Overly wet/soiled mattresses will be landfilled, but are still free for disposal.
- New Recycling Specialist, Travis Weinrich, started work with focus on the Reuse Facility.

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

- Encouraged by very positive community meetings for curbside organic waste pick-up
- Richard Tsai was promoted to the division's Environmental Resources Manager.
- Bulky Item Drop-off days are April 8th and 9th.

City of West Sacramento – Paulina Benner

- Contract terms developed with Waste Management to be presented to council for feedback
 - Item pulled just before the Council workshop and reschedule is still pending
 - Staff recommendation is to finalize agreement based on terms developed

City of Winters – Carol Scianna

- At next council meeting will request a contract extension with Waste Management
 - Negotiations for contract extension will follow
- Containerized greenwaste – moving toward seasonal/hybrid program in January 2017

UC Davis – Michael Fan

- Preparing for student move out in May, recycling/diversion options to be available

City of Woodland – Rosie Ledesma for Roberta Childers

- Bulky waste event with Waste Management on April 9th only
- In phase 2 of multi-family recycling outreach – door to door, kick-off parties, etc.
- Other environmental events – Water Wise workshops, Arbor Day, energy conservation

3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update – Paulina Benner / Jennifer Gilbert

- Discussed a coordinated effort to apply for recently available hazardous waste funding
- Mattress recycling – Bed bug awareness!
- County Household Hazardous Waste Facebook page – boosting posts

4. Proposed Legislation – Linda Sinderson

- Linda Sinderson announced that AB45 passed through initial legislative committee
 - A copy of the opposition letter from the Yolo County Supervisors was provided.
 - Opposed for lack of planned funding to sustain responsible HHW curbside collection
- General listing of 40+ current legislative items pertinent to waste.
 - HHW, pharmaceuticals, bio-methane, organics, alternative energy, bev. containers...
 - Allowing bidding preference when employees from previous contract are retained

5. Composting and C&D Facility Update – Linda Sinderson

- No new announcements at this time. All permitting documents have been submitted to the CalRecycle and the Regional Board. Waiting for comments or approval.

Other Discussions

Jacques Franco shared about a recent meeting with Environmental Solutions Group, a part of Dover. They have developed an organic waste stream solution with a new system where food waste is contained and can be added to green waste, recycling, or regular waste bins. The “blue bag” can be punctured, but never breaks and can withstand the compression of the compaction trucks. De-bagging is done at the final destination facility with special tools. On average, 65% of the cost is in collection of the food waste. This new technology that allows the utilization of organics within a blue food waste bag offers a tremendous savings to curbside organics pick-up. Jacques will bring more information to upcoming meetings as it comes available to him.

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Member Questions

None.

Meeting Adjournment

Jacques Franco motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m., seconded by Carol Scianna.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for March 24, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

John Geisler, Chair
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