



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 SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

John Geisler called the September 22, 2016 meeting to order at 3:50 p.m. Those present were:

Members: John Geisler, Michael McDonald, Jacques Franco, Larry Fisher, Michael Fan and Carol Scianna

Staff: Linda Sinderson – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM

Guests: Rosie Ledesma – Recycling Coordinator for City of Woodland
Jennifer Gilbert – Recycling Coordinator for City of Davis

Absent/Notified: Roberta Childers, Paulina Benner

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Meeting Minutes

MOTION: There was a motion by Jacques Franco to approve the August meeting minutes and a second by Michael McDonald. The August minutes were approved. (No abstentions)

DISCUSSION: Per County Counsel's direction on meetings where a quorum is not present, a meeting shall not occur. This item was discussed and there was a consensus amongst the group that per this directive no approval is needed for the June 2016 minutes. They will stand as an information item only. If no quorum is present at future meetings, the County will cancel the meeting.

Regular Agenda

2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates

Yolo County – Marissa Juhler and Linda Sinderson

- The County hosted its second thrift store event over the Labor Day weekend which proved to be more successful than the grand opening. Over 8.5 tons of waste was diverted with \$9,614 in sales. After staffing and other expenses were paid, \$6,441 was raised to go back to our recycling education programs. Good Day Sacramento covered the event complimented by other free media such as County and City websites and Facebook pages. In comparison, had the waste from the last two events been landfilled it would have brought in \$715 to our Division.
- Linda let everyone know that she has reviewed all the new waste bills that were approved on the Governor's desk. County staff will send out the link to the synopsis of these bills.

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Legislation/PriorityRpt/default.asp>

City of Davis – Jennifer Gilbert

- City staff is really pleased with the RISE video on waste and recycling in Yolo County which was compiled by a group of Davis students. This video will be shown throughout the Davis Joint Unified School District to encourage students to divert their waste responsibly. .
- The City will be hosting a composting class on October 25th.
- Organics program is going well but complaints regarding street sweeping are starting to become a concern for some residents due to the reduction in service level.
- Jacques Franco added that he has made a recommendation to the City Utility Rate Commission and Natural Resources Commission that they jointly look at exploring how they can be a part of the rate setting process for solid waste fees and issues.

City of West Sacramento – Paulina Benner

- Absent, no report

City of Winters – Carol Scianna

- City will start meeting with WM tomorrow to discuss a revised franchise agreement.
- Over 100 volunteers showed up for the Annual Coast and Creek Cleanup event on Saturday, Sept. 17th. 5,000 lbs. of waste was collected along Putah Creek.

City of Woodland – Rosie Ledesma

- A pharmaceutical take back event will occur on Saturday, Oct. 22nd in conjunction with the annual DEA event.
- City is in the process of updating their C&D ordinance to match new CalGreen standards of 65% diversion that will go into effect on January 1, 2017.
- Continue to work on Multi-Family recycling efforts through door to door outreach.

UC Davis – Michael Fan

- Move-In event occurred last week and it is prompting a lot of discussion on how the university will be able to reach its zero waste goals by 2025.
- Feedstock for the on-campus digester is getting better as they have secured new contracts for additional waste however they are still having issues with the by-products of the process such as liquid waste, which is being hauled to Yuba City and land applied to walnut orchards.

Public Members – Michael McDonald and Larry Fisher

- No new information to report

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

- The MAC has selected Saturday, November 19th as the next Used Oil Filter Exchange event day. Advertising will be in local media as the event date gets closer.
- The 2017 Recyclopedia calendar is in development with an estimated completion date in November. The County and Cities should be able to distribute calendars in December.
- All of the jurisdictions have responded and selected the five locations listed below for the pharmaceutical kiosks to be placed. County staff will be meeting with each of the locations within the next two weeks to establish program guidelines. It is currently anticipated that the kiosks will arrive at the landfill at the end of October with placement at each facility in November and education and outreach to start in December. Outreach shall consist of a revised 2017 HHW flyer, magnets for the pharmacies and posters with tear-off sheets for all healthcare facilities where prescriptions are written. This program is being paid for under the

County of Yolo Household Hazardous Waste contract with Stericycle and County franchise fees.

- City of Winters – Eagle Drug Store
- City of Woodland – Woodland Police Department
- City of Davis – Davis Police Department
- City of West Sacramento – Jefferson Pharmacy
- Yolo County – Yolo County Detention Facility Administrative Office

4. Composting (Digester) and C&D Facilities Update – Linda Sinderson

- Per the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction Fund (SB970) passing on Sept. 14th, a tentative timeline for the digester grant was provide to us by Scott Smithline. The County still plans to apply for this grant and will send out the official schedule once it has been released on the CalRecycle website. The tentative schedule is as follows:
 - October 2016 – Worskshops
 - November 2016 – Revised grant criteria brought to CalRecycle monthly meeting
 - December 2016 – Finalization of program documents
 - January 2017 – Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
 - March 2017 – Applications Due
- The Joint Technical Document (JTD), which outlines the County’s digester plans, is getting closer to completion but it still needs final review and approval by CalRecycle. Once the County knows what additional regulatory requirements CalRecycle wants to see in the project, the County will then need to recalculate the cost per ton to see if any increases are necessary from the last version proposed.
- The digester as well as the composting project (for the finished product to cure) are both also being addressed through the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and are not only being reviewed by CalRecycle but also by the Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD) and the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB).
- Under current direction the Division is moving forward with the digester with or without grant.
- Jacques Franco has asked that the County re-present the full digester project at one of the next two meetings (Oct. 27th or Dec. 1st) prior to asking the cities to commit waste flow for the digester project. Jacques would also like the presentation to include a list of other technologies the County has explored to compare the County’s project with others similar in the industry that have been proven. In addition to the presentation Jacques is recommending that the cities request a 3rd party evaluation of the County’s digester project to ensure that all options are explored to reduce GHG to their fullest extent possible.

5. Potential Sale or Lease of the Yolo County Central Landfill – Linda Sinderson

- This item has been moved to the Tuesday, October 25th BOS meeting due to other items taking up significant time on the September agendas.
- There was a motion made by Jacques Franco and a second by Michael McDonald for the WAC letter to the Board to be approved with the following two edits (1) eliminate the word “exemplary” in the 3rd paragraph so that it reads, “DIWM staff provides service on all levels...” and (2) change the word “may” to “might” in the 4th paragraph to read, “While we understand it might prove financially beneficial...” (No abstentions)
- (Letter signed by Chairman John Geisler attached. County sent copy to BOS on 9/23/16)

Other Discussions

None.

Member Questions

None.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman John Geisler at 4:54 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for October 27, 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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