



County of Yolo

Taro Echiburú, DIRECTOR

WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

c/o DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF June 28, 2018

Carol Scianna called the June 28, 2018 meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Carol Scianna, Richard Tsai, Larry Fisher, Paulina Benner, Michael Fan, Christine Harlan, David Powell, Rosie Ledesma

Staff: Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Pam Hedrick – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Ramin Yazdani – Yolo County DCS, DIWM

Guests: Justina Vega – Recology
Kayla Rodriguez – Waste Management
Ken Loman – City of Woodland
Jennifer Gilbert – City of Davis

Absent: Mike McDonald

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

No public comment

1. Consent Agenda

Approve Meeting Minutes for May

Tabled until next meeting: May minutes were not approved.

2. Regular Agenda

Yolo County – Marissa Juhler

- In an effort to increase residential recycling participation and reduce contamination, we are partnering with the Sacramento Conservation Corp to distribute recycling bags with education and outreach materials for our rural customers.. They have a provision that they get extra funding if we add information about used oil therefore, information about used oil recycling was added to the back of our educational recycling flyer. Under this agreement, the bags were delivered to all Knights Landing and town of Yolo residents for free.
- Willowbank and Recology – We are developing a survey to send out to all Willowbank residents to see if the majority of them are willing to pay increased costs to go back to a more frequent loose pile collection program for green waste services.
- Update on our vacancy on special districts – We've reached out to everyone as we reported at our last meeting. One applicant came in from an individual in Knights Landing. This person had no background or ties to any waste or environmental group. It was decided not to appoint someone just to appoint them. The other lead was from the Clarsburg Fire Department, but they decided the position wasn't worth their while to drive 45 minutes to the meeting once a month. We are back to no applicants for the special district. This item will go back on the agenda for a later time.

Davis – Richard Tsai

- Jennifer is working with the mattress council for a mattress recycling program. Apartment managers are trying to figure out if they should hire someone to haul off the mattress and take them to Recology or to directly pick up the mattress and take them to the Landfill.
- Solid Waste rate study is still going on.
- Loose in the street yard waste program – has been narrowed down to four options for public input.
- Organic's study is pending the City Council to approve the amendment to the contract.

West Sacramento – Paulina Benner

- West Sacramento is working on the EAR gathering information for AB341 and 1826.
- West Sacramento will be starting their organics project in the next few months at City Hall to meet the January 2019 requirements. There will be few other city facilities that will be started by January 1st.

Winters – Carol Scianna

- Winters will be starting work on their organics program.

Woodland – Rosie Ledesma

- Woodland started an in house organics recycling with two other city facilities. Along with five other facilities in the next couple of months. Waste Management going through their list of businesses to train for organics recycling.
- Woodland's diversion rates for this year look bleak. We were expecting more diversion with all the outreach that has been going on with businesses.

3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update

Marissa Juhler

- Woodland is taking the lead on next year's calendar.
- Yolo County Fair booth is coming together. The theme for this year is, "Pigs Pies and Paintings".
- China is reaffirming their intent to eliminate scrap metal importing. This will change the dynamics for all the recyclers and ultimately our diversion numbers.

Rosie Ledesma

The City of Woodland, in partnership with the cities and Yolo County, was awarded the CalRecycle's Hazardous Waste grant in the amount of \$100,000, to promote the "Refuel Your Fun" campaign..

4. Final Master Fee

Ramin Yazdani

- The Board of Supervisors approved the fee increase on Tuesday, June 26th. Saturday, June 30th the Yolo County Landfill will be putting in the new fees and advertising the new rate.

5. Waste Flow Agreement CPI & New Rate

Ramin Yazdani

- Provided a handout with the updated gate waste disposal rate showing the actual CPI rate and the regulatory fee per ton rate increase that was reduced from \$4.10 to \$3.93. Cities were asked to notify the County if they are willing to allow for the regulatory fee rate increase by July 1st.
- Based on the discussions waste flow agreements will not be discussed at the future Waste Advisory Committee meetings. The content of the waste agreements is not a

Waste Advisory Committee issue, it's a city and county issue and will be discussed between the County and the cities.

6. Anaerobic Composter Construction Update

Ramin Yazdani

- Construction for the anaerobic composter started on June 4th. The bottom of the anaerobic composter cells was constructed last year with the access road. The deployment of the primary liner system for all of the cells have been completed. The secondary liner system and leak detection system has also been installed. Placement of operations layer wood chip has started and will be completed in fall. The use of wood chip as operations layers is currently under evaluation and could be used for the construction of the next landfill module. In the first phase of the Anaerobic Composter project we'll be able to treat 52,000 tons of green waste food waste mixture annually.

7. In-vessel Digester & Food De-Packager Update

Ramin Yazdani

- County has been working on putting together the plans and specification for the In-Vessel Digester and Food Depackager. The project has been broken down into several projects in order to reduce construction cost and speed up the construction timeline. County has had outside interest to accept source separated food waste and is currently discussing with potential companies. County advertised the Food Depackager equipment portion of the project for bid in June and expects to award of the installation of the equipment in July. It is expected that the equipment will be manufactured and installed in six months. County is working on the design, plans an specification for the Food Depackager's concrete pad and other related equipment such as the equalization tanks.
- The In-Vessel Digester projects will be able to treat about 120 tons per day of food waste.

8. Letter of Interest (Sacramento County) Green Waste/Food Waste - Update

Ramin Yazdani

- Sacramento County released a letter in combination with the City of Sacramento and Folsom. They estimate that they're going to have 234,000 tons of green waste and food from residential and commercial customers. They are asking for anyone interested in receiving this material to send a letter. County of Yolo and Northern Recycling will be submitting a letter of interest to accept green waste and food waste at our facilities.
- We will be submitting the following questions:
 - Will they except these options?
 - What are they doing now with their material?
 - How much are they paying?

9. City of Sacramento Bid

Ramin Yazdani

- City of Sacramento has released a bid for green waste and woody waste. Since this is not a large tonnage we are discussing with the city to let them know that we can accept under our current fee structure.
- Question:
 - Do you have an update on Northern Recycling composting facility?
- Northern is still needing financing to construct their composting facility. The additional tonnage needed would come potentially come from City of Sacramento and the County of

Sacramento. If they can get a long-term commitment, then Northern would be able to obtain the funds needed to build the \$28,000,000 composting facility.

10. New County Grant Review Committee Process

Ramin Yazdani

- Yolo County has started a new procedure for grants. Grants over \$50,000 will have to run through a committee for approval before the application is submitted. They want to know if we are committing any county resources and if so how much, and what's the county impact, what's the staffing impact. The process takes about 5 days.

11. Member Questions

None

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Carol Scianna at 4:30 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for August 23, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

Carol Scianna, Chair
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

Rose Cook

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