



County of Yolo

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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 August 22, 2019

Rosie Ledesma called the August 22, 2019 meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Carol Scianna, Rosie Ledesma, Christine Crum, Paulina Benner, Kayla Rodriguez, Richard Tsai, Michael McDonald, Larry Fisher, David Powell

Staff: Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Rose English– Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Ramin Yazdani – WAC Liaison, Yolo County DCS, DIWM
Pam Hedrick – Yolo County DCS, DIWM

Guests: David Moreno – Board of Supervisors
David Drake - UC Davis
Jennifer Jones – UC Davis
Johanna Keys – Waste Management
Lauren Fong – Waste Management
Sarah Benedict - Recology

Absent: Michael Fan

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

No public comment

1. Consent Agenda

Approve Meeting Minutes for June

MOTION to Approve: Paulina Benner

SECOND: Christine Crum

AYES: Carol Scianna, Michael McDonald, Richard Tsai, Rosie Ledesma, Kayla Rodriguez

2. Regular Agenda

Member Updates

Yolo County – Marissa Juhler

- 2018 EAR Annual Report highlights:
 - In preparation for compliance with AB1594, we reduced the amount of green waste used as ADC from 13,452 tons (2017) to 4,932 tons (2018). The County plans to phase out the use of green waste as ADC by December 31, 2019 as planned.
 - In July of 2019, CalRecycle issued our new Solid Waste Facility Permit extending the life of the landfill from the year 2081 to 2124 which will change everyone's Siting Element Assessment.
 - The CalRecycle organics calculator has set our 2019 food waste/green waste diversion goal at 3,212 tons. It is recommended that each jurisdiction work

with their haulers to focus on the largest generators first to help meet this target.

Yolo County – Ramin Yazdani

Organic Waste/Composting/Anaerobic Digestion Update:

1) In-Vessel Digester project update:

- a. One bid was received for “Equalization Mixing Tank and pH adjustment” and the cost was twice engineer’s estimate. The bid was rejected.
- b. Concrete pad and “Equalization Mixing Tank and pH adjustment” project was released as one project to attract more contractors to bid. Bids will be received in September.
- c. De-packaging equipment manufacturing has been completed and equipment is held until concrete pad is constructed. Installation will be done by December 2019.

2) Anaerobic Composter project update:

- a. The leachate sump station completed. The installation of the pump and control panel and other electrical work is currently out to bid and will be awarded in September and completed by October 2019.
- b. Project scheduled for waste acceptance by October 2019.
- c. Waiting on PG&E for an agreement to install power and new service to power new equipment for In-Vessel Digester and pump stations.

3) Use of decomposable plastics:

- a. County’s agreement with Northern Recycling requires decomposable plastic to be used for organic waste collected by residential and commercial customers.
- b. Paper bags or other decomposable plastics will reduce the effort necessary to remove them either at the start or end of the decomposition process.

Landfill Construction and Closure:

1) Construction of Waste Management Unit (WMU) 6F:

- a. Installation of bottom liner and soil placement is near completion. Clay liner install will begin in the next two week and then primary liner will be installed.

2) County continues to work with consultants on bond finance of Module 6F landfill construction.

3) Closure of Waste Management Units 4 & 5:

- a. Contractor has prepared 50% of the area of liner installation. County has requested for partial closure to avoid potential rain event and damage to liner system and waiting for RWQCB approval.
- b. CalRecycle approved access to closure funds for Unit 4 & 5.

Davis – Richard Tsai

- The City of Davis has opened up the public hearing for the revised loose in the street organics ordinance. Once the ordinance is adopted residents will no longer be able to put grass clippings in the street, they must be placed in a n organics cart for disposal. Weeds and vines will also need to be placed in a cart. The only thing residents will be able to put on the street will be branches and leaves.
- Davis apartment move out waste reduction program, starts August 23rd and runs until September 1st.

West Sacramento – Paulina Benner

- West Sacramento City Council adopted a resolution in support of the state wide commission on recycling markets.
- City staff recently toured the Yolo County Food Bank and meet with Michael Bisch, the Executive Director of the food bank. The city is interested in partnering with Yolo Food Bank to conduct outreach to businesses to increase edible food recovery.

Winters - Carol Scianna

- Winters is meeting with Michael Bisch next month to go over outreach and eatable food diversion.
- Winters is still working on downtown trash diversion and green waste solutions.

Woodland - Rosie Ledesma

- Woodland has also met with the Yolo County Food Bank to discuss some ideas for additional food recovery.
- Just returning for the California Resource Recovery Association (CRRRA) conference. A lot of the topics were on SB 1383. What to expect on food recovery and how the food banks will be a huge part of this process.
- The City of Woodland just formed an official sustainability advisory committee.
- The Woodland school district is rolling out an organics program to five local schools. We were on hand to help children separate their garbage and food and to answer questions.

UC Davis – Jennifer Jones

- UC Davis continues to work on finalizing the details for a feasibility study on composting scenarios.
- Agromin and UCDavis are performing a high level analysis on partnering together for composting.

3. MAC

Marissa Juhler

- Nothing to report

5. Member Questions

No Member Questions

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Rosie Ledesma at 3:00 p.m. – Landfill Construction Tour followed

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for **September 26, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.** in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

Rosie Ledesma, Chair
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee
Rose English

Prepared by: Rose English

cc: City Managers via email (Davis, Woodland, West Sacramento, Winters)
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