



# County of Yolo

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

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### MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF AUGUST 27, 2020

Christine Crum called the August 27, 2020 meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Richard Tsai, Paulina Benner, Christine Crum, Kayla Rodriguez, Larry Fisher, David Powell, Michael Fin

Staff: Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Ramin Yazdani – WAC Liaison, Yolo County DCS, DIWM

Guests: Jennifer Jones – UC Davis  
Jennifer Gilbert – City of Davis

Absent: Kristine DeGuerre, Rosie Ledesma

#### 1. Call to Order & Roll Call

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Introductions were made around the room

#### 2. Consent Agenda

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**MOTION to Approve the August Agenda:** Richard Tsai

**SECOND:** Paulina Benner

**AYES:** Christine Crum, Kayla Rodrigues, Larry Fisher, David Powell, Michael Fin

**SECOND MOTION:** Richard Tsai moves to include email communicate received from Yolo County staff since the February WAC meeting, to be incorporated into the August 27 minutes, so these minutes can be memorized. Additional comment: Christine Crum – ask everyone that has not reviewed the updates from March, April, May & June to do so and send any comments or corrections to Rose.

**Second:** Paulina Benner

**AYES:** Kayla Rodriguez, Larry Fisher, David Powell, Michael Fin

#### 3. Public Comment

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No Public Comment

#### 4. Regular Agenda

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a. Member Updates - Yolo County, Cities of Davis, West Sacramento, Winters and Woodland; UC Davis and others

b. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update

#### 5. Member Questions

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Opportunity for members of the Waste Advisory Committee to ask questions, but not to take action, on waste management issues not listed under either the Consent or Regular Agenda items.

## **Yolo County – Ramin Yazdani**

### Organic Waste/Composting/Anaerobic Digestion Update:

#### In-Vessel Digester project update:

Equalization Mixing Tank and Concrete Pad- Construction contractor (Syblon Reid) has completed the construction of the concrete pad and pavement.

Food depackager- Installation of the food depackager is expected to be completed by end of September 2020.

Electrical Control Panel for In-Vessel Digester Project- Project will be released for bid and construction by end of August 2020 and construction to be completed by summer of 2021.

#### Anaerobic Composter Operation (Composting Facility #1)

The last Anaerobic Digester Cell (AC7) was filled while other cells are either under excavation, aeration, or biogas generation phase. Three cells excavated compost will be cured by Northern Recycling and compost will be marketed for sale.

Organics Agreements with Cities – County staff will be working on draft city agreement in fiscal year 2020-21.

Future C&D Recycling and Composting Facility#2 (Northern Recycling)- In July the Board of Supervisors approved the agreement with Northern Recycling for the construction of the C&D Recycling and Composting Facility #2. Construction will start this summer and project is expected to be completed and ready for operation by July 2022.

#### Landfill Construction and Closure:

Closure of Waste Management Units 4 & 5-Project construction will be complete by end of August 2020.

## **Yolo County – Marissa Juhler**

- Used Oil Annual Report Completed – Highlights over 15,000 gallons of used oil and 7,000 used oil filters were recycled from rural residents and farms. Currently running outreach for our programs on La Ranchera Spanish Radio.
- Franchise Agreements (Organics Compliance) – Assisted another 150 rural customers in setting up at-home composting exemptions and distributed 270 kitchen top compost pails. Rolled out 3-cart recycling and organics program at Dunnigan Country Fair Estates Mobile Home park in July adding
- The 2020 Solid Waste Liens were filed on July 21st, 2020. 74 rural parcels were liened for failure to make any form of payment to their hauler for services received over a 1 year period. We were able to assist 161 people from getting off the list through our outreach process and added 39 residents to our low income discount program.
- While the Big Blue Barn remains closed due to COVID our online sales are steady. Check us out on Facebook Marketplace.

### **Davis – Richard Tsai**

- In April of this year, the annual April Bulky Items Drop-Off event in Davis was postponed due to the shelter-in-place order from the County. As it is unknown when Recology will be able to provide a Bulky Items Drop-Off event due to the continued spread of COVID-19, the City and Recology will be offering a Bulky Waste One-time Voucher Program for City of Davis residential customers to dispose of bulky items this year. The one-time voucher will be valid from August 1 until November 31, 2020, and will allow Davis residents to dispose of one free load of bulky waste at the Yolo County Central Landfill. The load can be up to a full-size pick-up truck bed, full-sized van, or small trailer (less than 3 feet high and less than 8 feet long) in size. Additional items must be paid for by the customer.

### **West Sacramento – Paulina Benner**

- We have increased our compliance numbers and show that 90% of West Sacramento businesses are compliant with the State's Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law and 50% of West Sacramento business are compliant with the State's Mandatory Organics Recycling law. We've added 285 threshold businesses to contact and fit for compliance.

### **Winters – Kristine DeGuerre**

- Nothing to report

### **Woodland – Rosie Ledesma**

- Nothing to report

### **UC Davis – Michael Fan**

- Nothing to report

## **6. MAC**

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### **Marissa Juhler**

- HD31 hazardous waste grant update – CPSC put out a press release regarding LED bulbs and the recycling of CFLs. Additionally, it was discovered that one of our Refuel your Fun propane refill partners stopped their partnership with us at the Woodland True Value. CPSC will be working to secure this site or another one in Woodland before we host another outreach event.

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### **Meeting Adjournment**

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Meeting was adjourned by Rosie Ledesma at 3:02 p.m.

### **Next Meeting**

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The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for **September 24, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.** via Zoom.