



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 OCTOBER 22, 2020

Rosie Ledesma called the October 22, 2020 meeting to order at 2:35 p.m.
Those present were:

Members: Rosie Ledesma, Paulina Benner, Christine Crum, David Powell
Larry Fisher, Richard Tsai, Kristine DeGuerre

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

Guests: Jennifer Gilbert – City of Davis
Jennifer Jones – UC Davis
David Drake – UC Davis
Sara Benedict – Recology
Sue Vang – UC Davis
Suzie Dawley - LEA

Absent: Michael Fan, Kayla Rodriguez

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Introductions were made around the room

2. Consent October Agenda

MOTION to Approve the October Agenda: Larry Fisher

SECOND: David Powell

AYES: Christine Crum, Rosie Ledesma, Richard Tsai, Paulina Benner

3. Consent September Minutes

MOTION to Approve the September Minutes: Paulina Benner

SECOND: Larry Fisher

AYES: Christine Crum, Rosie Ledesma, Richard Tsai, David Powell

4. Public Comment

No Public Comment

5. Regular Agenda

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

Member Updates Provided by Email

Yolo County – Ramin Yazdani

Organic Waste/Composting/Anaerobic Digestion Update:

In-Vessel Digester project update:

Food depackager- Installation of the food depackager was completed on October 22, 2020 and testing will be next week.

Electrical Control Panel for In-Vessel Digester Project- Construction was delayed due to consultant plans not finished. Expect to release for bid by end of October 2020.

Anaerobic Composter Operation (Composting Facility #1)

Working on annual emissions source testing. Compost produced and hauled for final curing and sale.

Organics Agreements with Cities – County will be emailing the agreement to all city WAC members.

Future C&D Recycling and Composting Facility#2 (Northern Recycling)- Design of the C&D Recycling and Composting Facility #2 is under way. Construction will start in Spring 2021 and is projected 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 October 2020. Staff will be going to the BOS to increase budget for additional change orders.

Landfill Environmental Impact Report (EIR):

County staff continue to work with consultant on the EIR.

Landfill Fire and Batteries:

Fire started on trash and burned tires and trash. Staff are putting together a plan to investigate any damage to landfill liner as a result of fire. Lithium ion batteries can easily start landfill fires.

Yolo County – Marissa Juhler

- SB 68 – On 1/1/21, Treated Wood regulations will change requiring wholesalers and retailers to post signs about the environmental and health hazards associated with these products. On 7/1/23 DTSC will now be required to monitor, inspect and post stats from each landfill accepting Treated Wood for disposal and from each major generator. Lastly, Treated Wood can no longer be sold for reuse or repurposed unless onsite the generator.
- AB 793 – On 1/1/22, single use beverage container manufacturers will be required to use a minimum of 50% recycled content material.
- In response to Cal Recycle's SB1383 requirement for Palm Fronds to be diverted from the landfill. Yolo County will be working with Northern to start accepting palm once the new composting facility is built. If the material does not degrade in the 6-8 months needed to complete the compost cycle, the material will be diverted as compost overs.
- Yolo County has submitted its Electronic Annual Report (EAR) to the state noting the various challenges we continue to have as a rural community in enforcing mandated recycling and organics waste diversion. As part of the report, we updated Cal Recycle that in 2019 we completed new franchise agreements which require the haulers to provide such services and we will be working with WM and Recology on our 3-month plan to get all 4-cubic yard waste generating businesses into compliance by the end of 2020. We will then we working on a 9-month plan to bring all 2-cubic yard waste generating businesses into compliance but specific COVID considerations.

- Continue work on Food Rescue plan with Food Bank, Environmental Health and Code Enforcement. The Yolo County Food Bank submitted some preliminary numbers to us last week that County staff will be reviewing next month and comparing to our database. We will then join their cost to administer this program with County costs to take the Board at the end of the year for consideration.
- Yolo County has submitted a request to Cal Recycle to establish a list of all jurisdictions in California that are in compliance with the new three cart residential program which includes organics. It has proven challenging to be leading the way in implementation with denying application for those who want to self-haul out of county, where comparable services do not exist.

Davis – Richard Tsai (provided by Jennifer Gilbert)

- Loose in the street yard material collection for fall/winter is starting back up during the week of 10/19.
Upcoming schedule can be found here: <https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/public-works-utilities-and-operations/solid-waste-and-recycling/yard-material-collection>

West Sacramento – Paulina Benner

- West Sacramento, along with Waste Management, is hosting a virtual America Recycles Day event on Saturday November 14th at 10am. For more details and to register to attend this virtual event, please visit [RecyclingFun.org](https://www.recyclingfun.org)

Winters – Kristine DeGuerre

- Winters will help promote “Recycling Fun” program being offered by West Sacramento.

Woodland – Rosie Ledesma

- The residential smart truck that Woodland was set to pilot on November the 1st has been postponed.

UC Davis – Jennifer Jones

- The daily campus population is currently between 10,000 to 11,000. It is usually around 40,000.
- Campus is working on a pilot program in 9 buildings to change the focus of custodial staff to service only centralized bins.
 - The central bins will collect 4 waste streams, including trash/compost/paper/bottles & cans).
 - Building occupants with personal trash & recycling receptacles will be responsible for emptying them into the centralized bins.
- The Chancellor approved the ammonia recovery project at the READ Facility on 10/20/20.
 - We are working to procure the equipment that requires a long lead time and to finalize the design details.
 - Safety and plan reviews are expected in November and December 2020.
 - The tentative schedule is for construction to finish by the end of April 2021 and for the system to be operational by next summer.

- **6. Member Questions**

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.

7. MAC

Marissa Juhler

- At the Household Hazardous Waste Information Exchange (HHWIE), it was reported that the state is seeing a significant reduction in used oil funds due to less fuel and oil being purchased and used during the COVID pandemic. As these funds dwindle, jurisdictions may need to modify their used oil filter exchange events and/or used oil curbside pickup programs. Additionally, if the proposed all electric vehicle law passes for California, CalRecycle is asking jurisdiction to look ahead at how to sustain their programs with potentially no funding after 2035.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Rosie Ledesma at 3:30 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for **December 3, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.**

Rosie Ledesma, Chair
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

Rose English

Prepared by: Rose English

CC: City Managers via email (Davis, Woodland, West Sacramento, Winters) and Yolo County CAO