



# County of Yolo

Taro Echiburú  
DIRECTOR

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 FOR Thursday, January 27, 2022 2:30 pm

Richard Tsai called the January 27, 2022 meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.  
Those present were:

Members: Richard Tsai, David Powell, Rosie Ledesma, Larry Fisher,  
Michael Fan, Kristine DeGuerre, Christine Crum, Kayla Rodriguez

Staff: David Moreno – Asst. Supervisor's Deputy, District 3  
Ramin Yazdani - WAC, Liaison, Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County DCS, DIWM  
Rose English – Yolo County, DCS, DIWM

Guest: Johanna Keys – Waste Management  
Esperanza Iglesias – Waste Management  
Jennifer Gilbert – City of Davis  
Jennifer Jones – UC Davis  
Kelli Ann O'Day – UC Davis

Absent: None

### 1. Call to Order & Roll Call

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Introductions were made around the room

### 2. Public Comment

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No Public Comment

### 3. Consent Agenda

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#### a. Approve January 2022 Agenda and December 2021 Minutes

Authorize remote (teleconference/videoconference) meetings by finding, pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, that, local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**MOTION to Approve:** December 2021 Minutes and January 2022 Agenda: Christine Crum moves to approve with the following edits: add West Sacramento as Vacant to January 2022 WAC agenda and amended edits to the December 2021 minutes.

**SECOND:** Rosie Ledesma

**ROLE CALL VOITING:** Richard Tsai (yes), David Powell (yes), Larry Fisher (yes), Michael Fan (yes), Kristine DeGuerre (yes), Christine Crum (yes), Kayla Rodriguez (yes), Rosie Ledesma (yes)

### 4. Regular Agenda

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#### a. SB 1383 Food Rescue – Marissa Juhler

Yolo County has been collecting food at the Esparto Market for the last three weeks. We feel the program is going extremely well in the unincorporated portion of the county. Collection has been slow between the food generator and the food pantry but it's okay, because everybody is in compliance and it's a very small market. Yolo county now has a signed agreement between our generator and

our food pantry.

b. Member Updates

**Yolo County** – Ramin Yazdani

- Projects Out to Bid:
  - Module 6H was but out to bid and we are currently working on awarding the project to Gordon construction. The project came in close to \$5.2 million dollars. Which was below the engineers estimate of more than \$6 million.
- Landfill Operations Contract:
  - The landfill's operations contract will be ending this year. B&D Geerts have been operating for us over the last seven years. The opening bid will take place in the middle of February 2022.
- Water Pipeline:
  - The landfill current pipeline that runs from our air striper to our pond is very old and needs to be replaced. This project is currently out to bid.
- Waste Management Unit G
  - This is one of the landfill's leachate septic ponds built in the 90's. We plan on reconstructing this unit. A design has already been completed and is waiting for financing.
- Bond Financing for Module 6H and WMU G pond:
  - County is working on bond financing for the above projects.
- Organic Waste/Composting/Anaerobic Digestion Update:
  - In-Vessel digester & Food depackerager
    - The electrical panel that operates some of the parts of the facility was back ordered. Expecting delivery and installation in March of this year. Operation to start in July 2022.
  - Anaerobic Composter Operation (composting Facility #1)
    - Everything is going well producing compost and biogas for power generation.
  - Composting Facility #2 and C&D Recycling (Northern Recycling)
    - The composting facility is scheduled to open in July of this year. Construction is moving forward as planned.
  - County of Sacramento RFP for revised Organic Material Diversion Services (due May 5<sup>th</sup>)
    - County is working with Northern Recycling to respond to the most recent RFP for additional organic waste acceptance at the new facility.
  - Organics Agreements with Cities
    - County emailed agreement to all cities back in November 2020. To date the contract with City of West Sacramento is under review by the City and near completion. County is also waiting for City of Davis to send draft agreement back for review. We have heard back from City of Woodland or City of Winters.
- Landfill Renewable Energy Projects:
  - The fifth engine at the Methane Power Plant will be installed this March to generate more renewable energy biogas.
  - Biogas to CNG Feasibility Study is currently underway for future potential project at the landfill.

- Solar Project to Net Energy Metering-We are is working on a small solar project for on-site use.
- Large Solar Project RFP-We are is working on a large solar project at the landfill for power export.

**Yolo County** – Marissa Juhler

- Each January I like to offer some stats on how we are collectively doing on recycling/diversion from the year before. For the 2021 Yolo County Landfill diversion stats please see *the chart included on page (5)*. It covers C&D, carpet, compost, appliances, mattresses, pressure treated wood, tires, bulky waste (vouchers) and Christmas trees.

In particular I would like to highlight the number of C&D loads that were able to be recovered due to our higher “low quality” rate as well as the number of those that failed to have enough recycling in their load to constitute recycling.

If jurisdictions are doing social media posts, please encourage the separation and use of our carpet CARE recycling program. Treated Wood Waste (TWW) numbers are being provided due to the legislation that we had to work through last year under the DTSC TWW Variance program.

As many can see, every jurisdiction has a lot of loads with some amount of TWW. Providing this service allows our residents the ability to properly dispose in Yolo County instead of hauling to Hay Road landfill in Dixon, our next nearest disposal site for TWW.

- Tire Amnesty is now being advertised on our website. We have three dates scheduled for 2022. Yolo County will be working with Environmental Health to issue the one-day exemption for our folks in the agriculture business so they can haul 20 tires at a time.

These events will be done in partnership with the “Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps” and “Castle Tire”. Additionally, each event allows growers to make two trips for a total of 40 tires. Over the course of this year, if growers participate in all 3 events, they will be able to recycle 120 for free.

**City of Davis** – Richard Tsai

- CalRecycle approved Davis’ 2020 annual report with a 67% diversion equivalent
- Bulky Items Survey via Survey Monkey to look at Bulky Items Drop-off Event vs Bulky Items Voucher.
- City of Davis Municipal Code Update for SB 1383 is now in effect
- City Council provided direction on the city’s SB 1383 Implementation Plan and now staff are working on the program and outreach.
  - Business informational webinar Jan 12 had 56 participants
  - Series of training videos for businesses to meet the SB 1383 requirements. Some are completed and are online at Greener Davis YouTube page, some are in production
  - Various program and outreach updates are ongoing and proceeding on schedule

**West Sacramento** – Vacant

**Winters** – Kristine DeGuerre

- Winters City ordinance went into effect last month to incorporate SB 1383 organic waste reduction into the City’s municipal code. Last week I completed CalRecycle’s SB1383 Local Assistance Grant application for \$20,000 for the City.
- Met with the Executive Director of Rise, who is working to establish a food pantry in the City of Winters. We discussed the need to expand their services to include edible food distribution.

**Woodland** – Rosie Ledesma

- Woodland city ordinance went into effect last week. We’re working to notify all the tier one generators and getting out the contracts.

**UC Davis** – Michael Fan

- UC Davis has developed a plan to comply with SP 1383. Compost bins have deployed to many buildings on campus and compost collection service is provided twice a week. Kelli Oday from UC Davis Sustainability Office is currently working with Marissa on the campus food recovery program.

**MAC** (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update – Marissa Juhler

- None

**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.

**6. Adjournment (3:57 pm)**

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**Next Meeting**

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The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for **February 24, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.** via Zoom.

Richard Tsai, Chair  
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

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Prepared by: Rose English

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