

County of Yolo WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WAC <u>3/26/09</u> Agenda Item 1

c/o PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

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MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 2009

John Geisler called the January 22nd 2009 meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Those present were:

Members: John Geisler, Denise Kotko, Roberta Childers, Jason Magness, Michael McDonald

<u>Staff:</u> Gina Daleiden – Deputy to Supervisor Jim Provenza

Linda Sinderson – Yolo County Planning and Public Works Marissa Juhler – Yolo County Planning and Public Works Tamara Lokteff – Yolo County Planning and Public Works

Guests: Amanda Fairly – Waste Management of Woodland

Moushumi Hasan - Yolo County Environmental Health

Absent/Notified: Sue Gedestad, Carol Scianna, and Dorothy Peterson

Quorum was met.

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

An opportunity for members of the public to address the Waste Advisory Committee (WAC) on subjects relating to waste management.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Meeting Minutes from August 28, 2008.

MOTION: Michael McDonald moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Jason Magness.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION: Passed unanimously

2. Approve Meeting Minutes from October 23, 2008.

MOTION: Roberta Childers moved to approve the minutes.

DISCUSSION: Roberta Childers was the only member present who also attended the October meeting.

MOTION: Passed unanimously.

Regular Agenda

3. Member/Jurisdiction Updates

City of West Sacramento – Denise Kotko talked about their application for a multi family recycling grant from the Department of Conservation. Ernesto Lucero will be transferring to the city's Redevelopment Agency. The "Green Team" is working on a city preference policy of environmentally safe products.

City of Woodland – This week marks the move from weekly back to monthly green waste pick ups in Woodland. Roberta Childers reported the need for continued Green Waste policy enforcement, including door tags, public advertisement, and phone calling. Work is being done on a new environmentally preferred purchasing policy. Also, since Heidi Hopper's retirement, Rosie Salas has been hired as the Recycling Coordinator.

UC Davis – Jason Magness had nothing new to update at this time.

Yolo County – Linda Sinderson discussed developments in the waste flow agreements. In regard to the county franchising agreements, billing issues are being worked out with Waste Management; however the majority of customers have been compliant. Marissa Juhler noted positive media coverage recently in local newspapers, including items on E-waste and the Christmas tree recycling. At the start of the New Year all 27 county office buildings were given educational materials and new containers to promote a consistent single stream recycling program. The County has been awarded a two part grant from the CIWMB for \$197,000 to be awarded over three years. In part one, the California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) will be hired to assist the cities in promoting Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and green procurement policies. Part two of the grant involves the purchase of 6,000 red biohazard containers that will be bar-coded for tracking purposes and distributed to county residents. Drop off locations for filled bio-hazard containers will include a take back program at the landfill as well as a limited number of kiosks in the communities. The goal is to be able to communicate data to the Waste Board on the most effective means of sharps collection from the public.

Davis RISE – Tamara Lokteff shared *The Davis Enterprise* article on the RISE sponsored recycling competition among Davis' secondary schools being funded by a grant from the Coca-Cola Company.

4. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update

Marissa Juhler announced that the 2009 Recycling calendars and HHW Drop-off Days flyer are now available. In 2008 over 5,000 tires were collected at Tire Amnesty events in the county. Partnering with the cities, this year there will be tire events in West Sacramento and Woodland. So far in 2009, there are six Tire Amnesty events scheduled.

Distribution of the grant funded red biohazard containers was discussed; possibilities included outlets at specific pharmacies or clinics. Press releases and advertisements covered by the education portion of the grant have the potential of generating new clients for interested business.

Another issue involved in proper disposal of pharmaceuticals is handing procedures of controlled substances. These cannot be accepted at the landfill or by our HHW contractor on drop off days. In most instances residents will be directed to city police departments; however the City of Winters does not accept controlled drugs.

5. City/County Waste Flow Agreements

Although City/County waste flow agreements have not yet been approved, they will be similar to current imported waste contracts. Data from the past six months is being used to help determine fees and rates of distribution to each jurisdiction. To date, for every \$5 generated from host fees (about \$83,000 total) \$3 goes to the general fund and \$2 is divided between the jurisdictions based on the previous year's percentage of tonnage. The County hopes to begin meetings with the cities by March.

6. Legislative Update

Linda Sinderson gave a brief summary of 10 bills involved in the legislative process and their potential impact on the industry. Constantly evolving, online research of legislative bills gives the most current information.

Member Questions

Michael McDonald asked questions about franchised waste collection in the Capay Valley region. Marissa Juhler stated that all homes with a Highway 16 address are included in the collection maps. Hours of operation and services available at the Esparto Convenience Center were also discussed.

Response was given to a question on the potential cost increases involved in the implementation of environmentally preferred purchasing policies. While purchasing paper containing recycled content is required in county policy, the department head has discretion on purchase of "green" products that cost 4% or higher than comparable items.

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Meeting Adjournment

John Geisler adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for March 26th, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

John Geisler, Chair Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

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