



# County of Yolo

## WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WAC 8/27/09  
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 MAY 28, 2009

John Geisler called the May 28<sup>th</sup> 2009 meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Those present were:

**Members:** John Geisler, Jason Magness, Roberta Childers, Carol Scianna, Dorothy Peterson, and Michael McDonald

**Staff:** 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:** John Jackson – Yolo County Environmental Health  
Sandra Rodriguez – Deputy to Supervisor Jim Provenza  
Jason Smith – Waste Management of Woodland

**Absent/Notified:** Sue Gedestad and Denise Kotko

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 March 26, 2009.**

**MOTION:** Michael McDonald moved to approve the minutes with corrections, seconded by Carol Scianna.

**DISCUSSION:** A misspelled name will be corrected.

**MOTION:** Passed unanimously

#### **Regular Agenda**

##### **2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates**

**Yolo County** – Marissa Juhler stated that over the next six months the DIWM will be working with the Environmental Health Department to take a closer look at Illegal waste haulers in the County. Unregistered haulers are those who provide trash service for a fee but do not have a business license or hauling permit, and are not a part of a franchise agreement. Also, in addition to fee increases going into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, a \$2 handling fee per vehicle will be charged for paint and fluorescent tube drop off. Residents will not be charged for disposal on these items. All HHW will still be accepted from residents free of charge at monthly HHW events. Marissa also answered questions regarding disposal of prescription medication.

**City of Winters** – Carol Scianna reported on the second Earth Festival Event in Winters on June 7<sup>th</sup>. The event will feature topics relating to alternative energy, habitat preservation, and transportation information plus a local farmers market. Promoting water conservation, the Earth Capades will be performing for grades 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. The City is progressing toward a waste flow agreement with the County. Residents are excited that Waste Management rates have gone down. There is a clean-up event scheduled in June at the Corp Yard.

**City of Woodland** – Roberta Childers continues to offer public outreach and meetings to get the green waste message out to residents. A survey will be conducted by Waste Management to ask residents if they want to continue to Phase II of the project. A decision will soon be made whether to continue with the current hybrid program or go to Phase II, a complete cart program during non-leaf drop season with continued weekly cart and street pick ups during leaf drop season. The City is also working on a waste flow agreement with the County.

**Davis RISE** – Dorothy Peters gave a report on the Green Schools event the previous weekend at the Central Park gardens. A cooperative effort between the City and Davis Farm School, the University generated interest with their electric car showcased on site. Teachers and students alike participated by bringing energy saving projects worked on through the year. In 2010 the schools will be into their environmental education curriculum, 2 copies of the California Education and Environmental Initiative (EEI) circulated for a quick glance.

**Capay Valley** – Michael McDonald discussed the Highway 16 closing as the result of a building that has become a public hazard on Yolo Avenue in Esparto. There was speculation as to what percentage of the demolition debris will recycled at the landfill to the CDI Facility.

**UC Davis** – Jason Magness informed the members that finals at UC Davis end on June 11<sup>th</sup>, which means an increase in trash as the students begin to move out. The West Village is moving forward with plans for an “energy park” with the goal of zero net energy for the entire development. It will include a full scale bio-digester, solar and geothermal energy production. Organics from the main campus will be imported to help with energy production. The class, “Landscape Architecture in the Environment”, taught by Professor Heath Schenker, invites WAC members to class presentations. Students will present their innovative designs for the closure of the Yolo County Landfill in 2081.

**DWR** – John Geisler did not have an update.

### **3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update**

Marissa Juhler brought examples of the sharps containers being offered to residents free of charge through the CIWMB grant. Postage paid survey cards are included with containers in hopes of receiving feedback from residents about the sharps programs and EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility.) Closing out funding from the Used Oil Block Grant which ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>, reusable dual oil filter changing kits are also available for residents. They will be given away at various county events, including the Woodland Hot Rod Reunion and the Yolo County Fair. The kits will help educate “do-it-yourself” oil changers that filters, along with the used oil, must also be disposed of properly. After many years of resistance, this year there will be a small recycling program at the Yolo County Fair. Sturdy clear stream containers have been purchased to be used for the county fair and future events at the fairgrounds. Labor behind collection efforts will be provided by the Sacramento Job Corps through grant funding.

### **4. Light Brown Apple Moth Quarantine**

Yolo County has declared quarantine after two light brown apple moths were found in Davis. Native to Australia, the moth feeds on over 2,000 different plants and poses great detriment to the crops of Yolo County. Exportation of produce or green waste is not allowed from the designated quarantine area. Efforts are underway to get a chipper/grinder on site, if the quarantine area expands to include the landfill, so that quarantined green waste can then be composted or incinerated. Land application uses do not apply in this case. Linda Sinderson stated that the Yolo Department of Agriculture has given a verbal “OK” to dispose of green waste directly in the landfill as “disaster waste”.

### **5. City/County Waste Flow Agreements**

A letter from John Bencomo with a draft waste flow agreement was emailed to city managers, UC Davis staff, and WAC members. Meetings with staff from the cities of Woodland and Winters have yielded agreements now in the final stages. Request for approval of a contract or letter of intent is scheduled for the last Board of Supervisors meeting in June. It is preferred that contracts from every jurisdiction contain the same language and include a clause to ensure that any approved change to one will then be applied to all. The

County has met with the City of West Sacramento, but is still working through definitions and details of the agreement. No meeting has been scheduled with the City of Davis as of yet.

#### **6. DIWM 2009/10 Draft Budget and Fee Changes**

Linda Sinderson noted corrections that were made and explained a few changes in the budget since the last meeting. The landfill budget capital improvements include a reconfiguration of the front gate, upgrading the scale house, and work on Road 28H in addition to the purchase of neighboring property on County Road 104. As negotiations with unions and others continue, more changes are expected before the budget can be finalized. At this point, the Board of Supervisors is assuming that employees will have at least 80 furlough hours, possibly up to 96, which is about 1 day per month.

#### **Member Questions**

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Questions were answered regarding the end of a WAC member term. If the member wishes to continue serving, a letter requesting nomination for a second term will go to the Board of Supervisors. If the member does not want to continue, they must send a letter of resignation to the Board so that the vacancy is official. A question was asked regarding mattress recycling in Sacramento. The two processes noted to be available are rebuilding mattresses or grinding them for recycling the materials. Marissa Juhler asked that any information be sent to her for further inquiry.

#### **Meeting Adjournment**

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John Geisler adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

#### **Next Meeting**

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The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

John Geisler, Chair  
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