

# MINUTES

## Solano County Local Task Force (LTF) for Integrated Waste Management

March 19, 2009

9:00 a.m.

Solano County Administration Center

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X Represents those voting members present:

|   | Company/Organization                             | Member Name        |
|---|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| X | Allied Waste                                     | Stacy Antonel      |
| X | Allied Waste (Alternate)                         | Susan Hurl         |
|   | CCL Organics                                     | Dave Burnley       |
|   | City of Benicia                                  | Vacant             |
| X | City of Dixon                                    | Martha Jensen      |
|   | City of Fairfield                                | Sandra Gonzalez    |
|   | City of Fairfield (Alternate)                    | Jeanette Bellinder |
|   | City of Rio Vista                                | Dawn Bahrenfuss    |
| X | City of Suisun City                              | Alysa Majer        |
| X | City of Vacaville                                | Kari Holmes        |
| X | City of Vacaville (Alternate)                    | Mindy Harris       |
| X | City of Vallejo                                  | Derek Crutchfield  |
|   | County of Solano                                 | Colby La Place     |
| X | County of Solano                                 | Ed Padilla         |
|   | County of Solano (Alternate)                     | Chris Ambrose      |
| X | County of Solano                                 | Narcisa Untal      |
|   | Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District                  | Margaret Kralovec  |
|   | Hay Road Landfill                                | Chris Taylor       |
|   | League of Women Voters                           | Dorothy Hawkes     |
|   | Pacific Rim                                      | Steve Moore        |
|   | Potrero Hills Landfill                           | Richard Covington  |
| X | Potrero Hills Landfill (Alternate)               | Jim Dunbar         |
| X | Rio Vista Sanitation Service                     | Keith Nance        |
| X | Sierra Club                                      | Jane Bogner        |
|   | Solano Community College                         | Ray Ogden          |
|   | Solano Garbage Company and Solano Recycles       | Rochelle Bailey    |
|   | Solano Garbage Company and Solano Recycles (Alt) | Barbara Hansen     |
|   | Travis Air Force Base                            | Dolores Tiburcio   |
|   | TOMRA Recycling                                  | Vacant             |
|   | UC Davis COOP Extension                          | Mario Moratorio    |
| X | Vacaville & Dixon Sanitary Service               | Julia Lopez        |
| X | VALCORE                                          | Jackie Giffin      |
|   | VALCORE (Alternate)                              | Misty Ismail       |
| X | Vallejo Garbage Service                          | Lisa Lefebvre      |

### GUESTS:

Joe Scholtes, 95.3 KUIK

Jennifer Kaiser, Vallejo Sanitation & Flood Control District

Ricardo Serrano, Solano County Resource Management

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Jane Bogner at 9:02 a.m.

**1. Introductions and Verification of Quorum**

A quorum was present.

**2. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of January 15, 2009 were approved.

**3. Opportunity for Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**4. Solano County Solid Waste Independent Hearing Panel**

Ricardo Serrano briefly described the role of the Solano County Solid Waste Independent Hearing Panel and the events leading up to the need to replace two panel members. After reviewing the names and qualifications of the hearing panel candidates he stated that Resource Management was recommending that the Board of Supervisors appoint Christopher Fong to replace Kevin Cullen as the technical expert and David Dosker to replace Jane Bogner as the public at large member. The role of the LTF was to recommend two candidates for consideration. After discussion regarding the qualifications of the candidates Derek Crutchfield made a motion to recommend Bruce DuClair as member at large. Jim Dunbar seconded the motion. The motion passed with eight yes votes, one no vote and three abstentions. Julia Lopez made a motion to nominate Christopher Fong to the panel as the technical expert and that the LTF concurred with the rating factors used in the panel selection process. Martha Jensen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote and one abstention.

**5. Discussion Items**

a. 2007 Annual Report-Pounds per Person Target

Qualifying for the AB 939 mandate will now be met by a "pounds per person" target. The following jurisdictions reported their "pounds per person" data:

| Jurisdiction  | Target | Actual |
|---------------|--------|--------|
| Solano County | 7.7    | 5.5    |
| Vallejo       | 5.5    | 4.4    |
| Suisun City   | 4.9    | 3.9    |
| Dixon         | 9.9    | 5.7    |

b. 2009 Compost Workshops

Solano County has a contract with VALCORE for three composting workshops in 2009. The events were open to residents of all the jurisdictions. Because of budget constraints the County was not offering subsidies for the composting bins this year.

c. 2009 Mower Exchange

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) pulled their commitment for funding the Mower exchange which eliminated \$15,000. The Yolo-Solano Area Air Quality Management District agreed to include Vallejo, Benicia, Fairfield and Suisun City in the Mower Exchange even though the cities were located in the BAAQMD. Despite the lack of funding the event will go on as planned. There are two types of mowers being offered.

d. 2009 Tire Amnesty Event Grant Status

Ms. Untal reported that the Tire Amnesty grant application was reduced to \$55,461. The logistics of the events will be restructured to accommodate the decrease in funding.

e. Earth Day

VALCORE has scheduled the Vallejo PD child ID program, a recycled sculpture contest, a thermometer exchange and animals from Loma Vista Farm on April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Vallejo farmers market. Jennifer Kaiser reported that there would be an Earth Day event April 19<sup>th</sup> at Lake Chabot with crafts and an exhibit of water species. Sandra Gonzalez reported that the City of Fairfield will have an event on April 25 at the city hall with confidential shredding and a composting workshop.

f. 2009 Junk Mail Campaign

The LTF decided to use funds for local advertising rather than buying anti-junk mail kits.

g. 2009 Bring Your Own Bag (BYOB) Campaign

The BYOB campaign will be held in September. Derek Crutchfield will take the lead to prepare for Solano County's campaign.

h. Other Business

Jane Bogner described plans to update the Recycle Guide and announced that the goal was to have it ready to launch on Earth Day.

i. Member Updates

Mindy Harris, City of Vacaville, reported that they were holding a coloring contest for Earth Day. They will also have a Michael Recycle presentation and a craft fair. There will be a Pharmaceutical Take Back in May.

Jim Dunbar, Potrero Hills Landfill, announced that they were hoping for a buyer of intent for the Landfill.

Ed Padilla, Solano County, the Solano County Siting Element update is still ongoing.

Keith Nance, Rio Vista Sanitation Service, offered to host an LTF meeting at their new facility.

Jennifer Kaiser, Vallejo Sanitation & Flood Control District, announced that they were looking at ways to "green up" their facility.

Lisa Lefebvre, Vallejo Garbage Service, announced that accepting e-waste on a regular basis has been very successful. They have been collecting 15 to 20 pallets of e-waste per week.

Jackie Giffin, VALCORE, described AG Day preparations. They expect about 2,000 third graders.

Susan Hurl, Allied Waste, announced that they were going to start a Sharps collection and recycle program with the City of Benicia. They will be working with Stericycle and using Rite Aid pharmacies as the drop off site.

Jane Bogner, Sierra Club, stated that Sierra Club has been partnering with non-profits for fund raising events. They promoted the use of bioware or “real cutlery” at the events. They were also using Barchitecture for fund raising events.

Narcisa Untal, Solano County announced that Birgitta Corsello was named Woman of the Year by the Solano County Women’s’ League of Voters. She also reported that Solano County had contracted with VALCORE to do composting demonstrations at the Youth Ag Day event. The LTF had previously agreed to sponsor one bus for each city in Solano County to transport the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders to Youth Ag Day. Solano County is also in discussions with Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District and Solano Resource Conservation District to host a storm water demonstration at Ag Day.

**6. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

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| The next regular LTF meeting is scheduled for <b>Thursday, May 21, 2009</b> |
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