

MINUTES

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

September 17, 2009

9:00 a.m.

Solano County Administration Center

X Represents those voting members present:

	Company/Organization	Member Name
X	Allied Waste	Jennifer Brennan
x	Allied Waste (Alternate)	Susan Hurl
	CCL Organics	Dave Burnley
	City of Benicia	Vacant
X	City of Dixon	Martha Jensen
X	City of Fairfield	Sandra Gonzalez
	City of Fairfield (Alternate)	Jeanette Bellinder
	City of Rio Vista	Dawn Bahrenfuss
X	City of Suisun City	Alysa Majer
	City of Vacaville	Kari Holmes
X	City of Vacaville (Alternate)	Mindy Harris
	City of Vallejo	Derek Crutchfield
	County of Solano	Colby La Place
X	County of Solano	Ed Padilla
X	County of Solano (Alternate)	Chris Ambrose
X	County of Solano	Narcisa Untal
	Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District	Jenny Bailey for Margaret Kralovec
X	Hay Road Landfill	Chris Taylor
	League of Women Voters	Dorothy Hawkes
	Pacific Rim	Steve Moore
X	Potrero Hills Landfill	Richard Covington
	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
X	Travis Air Force Base	Dolores Tiburcio
	TOMRA Recycling	Vacant
	UC Davis COOP Extension	Mario Moratorio
X	Vacaville & Dixon Sanitary Service	Julia Lopez
	VALCORE	Jackie Giffin
	VALCORE (Alternate)	Misty Ismail
X	Vallejo Garbage Service	Lisa Lefebvre

GUESTS:

Jennifer Kaiser, Vallejo Sanitation & Flood Control District
Kellie Barnett, Vallejo Sanitation & Flood Control District
Darlene Murphy, CA Integrated Waste Management Board
June Guidotti, Suisun

1. **Call to order / Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Bogner at 9:10 a.m.

2. **Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of July 16, 2009 were approved as prepared.

3. **Opportunity for Public Comment**

June Guidotti stated that she did not believe that Norcal Waste Systems, Hay Road Landfill Inc. was in conformance with the Solano County Integrated Waste Siting Element and should not be issued permits.

4. **Action Items**

The following items relate to the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan (CoIWMP) 5-Year Review for January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2013:

Narcisa Untal defined the CoIWMP as the principal planning document that governs the solid waste management for every jurisdiction in the State of California. In 1989 the Integrated Waste Management Act (AB939) mandated that all jurisdictions create planning documents describing how they will handle their disposal of residential and commercial waste generated within their jurisdictions. Solano County and its cities have come together to put their plan forward as one joint document. There are some elements that the cities still have to be responsible for individually, but for the most part the information in of itself is submitted through Solano County. Ms. Untal reviewed the elements that make up the CoIWMP which include:

a. Non-Disposal Facility Element (NDFE):

Narcisa Untal stated that in January 2009 she asked the task force to give direction for staff to move forward with updating the 1998 version of the NDFE as the first part toward updating all of the documents within the Integrated Waste Management Plan. The reason for this is because these documents do not include ongoing updates that have been made through annual reporting. She stated that it is important to get this in order so that the county can provide the public the most accurate information about the Plan.

Ms. Untal stated that this is a difficult document to maintain as far as updating because it requires each of the jurisdictions and the haulers to continue to feed the information to the county so that the county can keep track and make their annual reporting.

Ms. Untal reviewed the proposed changes: B&J Drop Box has changed their name to Jepson Prairie Organics; South Napa Waste Management Authority Transfer Station has changed their name to Devlin Road Transfer Station; the Travis AFB Composting facility closed in 2006; the California Waste Solutions Recycling Processing Center is located in Alameda County. This is a facility where the City of Benicia was sending their recyclables to at one time. As of 2006 they stopped sending those recyclables there and now send them to Pacific Rim; include any proposed sites so that these businesses are ahead of the game in their conformance finding.

Ms. Untal stressed how it is each jurisdiction's responsibility to make sure that any updated information gets sent to her. She stated there may be a C&D facility (Syar Industries) that was not included because she did not receive the information in a timely

manner. She requested that the task force accept this version with amendments and include the C&D facility.

An unidentified speaker stated that Mt. Diablo Recycling should be added along with a C&D facility.

Ed Padilla stated that the UC Davis bio gas plant should also be added. He stated that it is a demonstration plant where they convert gas from food waste and green waste, and is a pilot project. Narcisa noted that she would check to see if the facility qualifies.

Narcisa stated that another site that has come to her attention is Hines Nursery. They are located in Solano County and have a composting permit. She mentioned that everything they compost comes from what they generate on site and then reuse it onsite. She stated that she would need to check into this further.

Ed Padilla inquired about the TOMRA Facility which he believed was now called Recycling Resource. Narcisa stated that she would check into this.

A motion was made by Dolores Tiburcio and seconded by Martha Jensen to approve the Draft Non-Disposal Facility Element as presented with the revisions as proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Siting Element:

Ms. Untal stated that this Element determines disposal capacity. She said Solano County has been able to continue to demonstrate through Potrero Hills Landfill and Hay Road Landfill a 15 year disposal capacity. She said not only does the county need to meet the 50% diversion, they also need to demonstrate regularly a 15 year disposal capacity.

A motion was made by Martha Jensen and seconded by Alysa Majer to authorize staff to begin the update. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Source Reduction & Recycling Element:

Ms. Untal stated that this Element makes up all of the programs that are going to be implemented in order to meet the AB939 mandate.

A motion was made by Keith Nance and seconded by Richard Covington to authorize staff to begin the update. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Household Hazardous Waste Element:

Ms. Untal stated that this Element provides for safe disposal of household hazardous waste.

A motion was made by Sandra Gonzalez and seconded by Dolores Tiburcio to authorize staff to begin the update. The motion passed unanimously.

The Following items relate to mitigation programming for FY 2009/10:

e. 2009 AT&T Recycling Guide Publication

A motion was made by Martha Jensen and seconded by Lisa Lefebvre to authorize the expense, not to exceed \$25,000, for the AT&T Recycling Guide Publication. The motion passed unanimously.

f. Recycling Guide Update – Bogner Contract

This contract amendment allows for Jane's effort in updating the recycling guide, publication, and regular monthly updates to the web-based version.

A motion was made by Keith Nance and seconded by Dolores Tiburcio to amend Jane's contract by \$3,000. The motion passed unanimously.

g. 2010 Youth Ag Day Contribution

A motion was made by Jane Bogner and seconded by Keith Nance to contribute up to \$2,000 to the 2010 Youth Ag Day. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Items

a. 2009 Tire Amnesty:

Ms. Untal stated that the cities and county together applied for a tire amnesty grant and were approved for \$55,000. The participating landfills are Potrero Hills Landfill, Hay Road Landfill and Vallejo Garbage Service. Each facility will receive \$15,000 in grant monies. She stated that the program has been overwhelming with 300 residents participating, bringing in over 3,000 tires. She said county residents have been excited and very supportive of the program.

b. 2009 Coastal Cleanup Day

Ms. Untal noted that Coastal Cleanup Day is September 19, 2009. She stated that the amount of volunteers signing up in advance has been overwhelming. She commended Mary Ann Butler from the Solano Resource Conservation District for doing a super job coordinating the efforts countywide. She noted that Mary Ann will attend the November task force meeting to give an update on the program.

c. 2009 Pharmaceutical Drop-Off

The Pharmaceutical drop-off will be September 21, 2009, and will be held at the Solano County Coroner's office. Ms. Untal estimated that the program will need 50, 10-gallon sharps containers. She stated that right now the program has collected 35 containers; 30 from North Bay Hospital, and 5 from David Grant Medical Center. She encouraged anyone who has a contact, especially with Kaiser Hospital, to help obtain more containers.

d. Member Updates:

Solano County – Untal Narcisa announced that Solano County now has 9 green businesses. She stated that the first certified business in Vallejo is A-1 Heating and Air; the first Benicia business is The Center for Right Relationship; the first for the cities of Vacaville and Fairfield is 7 Flags Car Wash. She stated that there are approximately 30 facilities that are in application process, 6 of those being close to certification.

Travis AFB - Dolores Tiburcio stated that the West Wind Inn now has a recycling program. She stated that she plans to use refrigerator magnets to help advertise recycling.

City of Vacaville – Mindy Harris stated that she has been visiting area schools to observe their recycling programs and to help them find ways to move toward recycling more than just paper such as bottles and cans. Ms. Harris stated that a teacher at Patton Elementary School has shown interest in starting a food waste program. She stated that they will be working on fruit and vegetable waste. The City of Vacaville is also planning on hosting a pharmaceutical take back event which is tentatively scheduled for November 21st.

City of Vallejo – a Flip the Lid Program event was held to help reduce the amount of garbage coming into their MURF's.

City of Benicia – sharps containers are now available at the local fire station during regular business hours for citizens to dispose of their items.

City of Vallejo – numerous calls have been received from volunteers for the Coastal Cleanup Day. A shout out was given to Mitch and his crew at Vallejo Garbage Service.

City of Dixon – their recycling program is doing very well.

Solano County - Ed Padilla stated that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, September 24th for Jepson Prairie Organics updated permit. The meeting is open to the public and will start at 4:00 p.m. in the County Administration Center, 675 Texas Street, 5th floor. He stated that the permit itself has not yet been submitted to the Waste Board because changes may need to be incorporated after the public hearing.

City of Pittsburg – Keith Nance thanked everyone for coming out for the tour several months ago.

Jennifer Brennan stated that Keller Canyon is going to start selling methane. There will be an open house on October 1st.

6. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

The next regular LTF meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2009
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