

MINUTES

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

May 21, 2009

9:00 a.m.

Solano County Administration Center

X Represents those voting members present:

	Company/Organization	Member Name
X	Allied Waste	Stacy Antonel
	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
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
X	County of Solano (Alternate)	Chris Ambrose
X	County of Solano	Narcisa Untal
X	Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District	Jenny Bailey for 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
	Vallejo Garbage Service	Lisa Lefebvre

GUESTS:

Joe Scholtes, 95.3 KUIC

Jennifer Kaiser, Vallejo Sanitation & Flood Control District

Carey Levine, ASL Recycling

Steve Biron, ASL Recycling

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jane Bogner at 9:00 a.m.

1. Introductions and Verification of Quorum

A quorum was present.

2. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of March 19, 2009 were approved.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

Joe Scholtes, 95.3 KUIC, requested that the LTF to send their public service announcements to Christy Steward and Robin Mitchell. Jenny Bailey, Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District, asked if there was going to be a "No Drugs Down the Drain" event this year. Narcisa Untal stated that the Solano County Sheriff's Office will support a pharmaceutical drop off this year.

Ms. Untal also announced that the Solid Waste Independent Hearing Panel (IHP) met earlier this month and their decision will be announced on May 26, 2009. Jim Dunbar, Potrero Hills Landfill, stated that the IHP met to decide the validity of the 2006 solid waste facility permit as to whether Solano County abused its discretionary authority by issuing the permit without dealing with all the facts. The petitioner for the hearing was Sprawldef, a non-profit organization. Jane Bogner stated that Ms. Untal will keep the LTF informed on this matter and other similar activities of the IHP.

4. Electronic Waste Collection Presentation by ASL

Cary Levine and Steve Biron of ASL Recycling gave a presentation to the LTF. ASL Recycling offers free e-waste pick-up which is broken down at their facilities and sent to smelters. No hazardous waste is sent to third world countries. They have hosted collection events throughout California as a fund raising opportunity for local non-profits. ASL Recycling can offer municipalities opportunities to generate revenue from collection rates that already exist through a GREENetwork infrastructure.

5. Discussion Items

a. 2009 Mower Exchange

Ms. Untal reported that the 2009 Mower Exchange event sold out in one hour. They had over four hundred mowers and there were 152 people on the waiting list. The majority of the purchases came from Fairfield and Vacaville.

b. 2009 Earth Day

Sandra Gonzalez, City of Fairfield, reported that they had 500 participants at their Earth Day event which featured paper shredding and composting classes. Ms. Bogner added that the Sierra Club invited the columnist who writes the "Hey Mr. Green" question and answer column in the Sierra Club magazine to attend Fairfield's Earth Day event.

Jennifer Kaiser, Vallejo Sanitation & Flood Control, reported that they had a booth at the Vallejo Farmer's Market on April 18th with the Native Plants Society. There was also an exhibit where science students had created a demonstration of the waste water treatment process. On April 19th the Vallejo Watershed Alliance was at Lake Chabot with an exhibit of water species. Ms. Bogner added that Derek Crutchfield, City of Vallejo, held a "Scrap Sculpture Contest".

Martha Jensen, City of Dixon, had a booth at their park with promotional displays including chico bags, key chains and other items.

Mindy Harris, City of Vacaville, had a coloring contest with 30 entries each for three age groups. Award presentations were held at the Vacaville Downtown Library and the Cultural Center Library.

c. 2009 Tire Amnesty Events Program Update

Ms. Untal stated that she needed input from the LTF for the 2009 Tire Drop Off. The tire grant was awarded in April for only \$55,000. She added that with budgets the way they are it won't be possible to hold one day events like last year where we over spent by \$40,000. She suggested the following. That the grant money be spent solely on the recycling of the tires. The jurisdictions would provide for advertising and staffing. Current drop off sites are Hay Road Landfill, Potrero Hills Landfill and Vallejo Garbage Service. Participants would need to call in to Resource Management to register and indicate how many and what kinds of tires. There will be a maximum of 9 tires accepted per participant unless Resource Management gives them a waiver for a maximum of 20 tires. From the time of registration the participant would have a certain number of days in which to drop off the tires at the drop off site they registered for. Richard Covington, Potrero Hills Landfill, brought a suggestion from Geoff Harrison for mobile drop off boxes at designated locations.

d. Other Business

Ms. Kaiser announced that Mary Ann Butler, Resource Conservation District, is the new county coordinator for the Coastal Cleanup Day. There will be no change in the day to day operations of the landfill. Their expansion permit will go before the Board of Supervisors in June.

e. Member Updates

Jim Dunbar, Potrero Hills Landfill, announced that their new owner is called Waste Connections.

Stacey Antonel, Allied Waste, reported that Rite Aid rejected Stericycle the sharps program proposal.

Martha Jensen, City of Dixon, reported that she took Darlene Murphy of the Integrated Waste Management Board on a tour of the Dixon Mayfair.

Keith Nance, Rio Vista Sanitation Service, suggested that the next LTF meeting be held at their facility in Pittsburg which would include a tour and lunch.

Mindy Harris, City of Vacaville, announced that they were planning a Pharmaceutical Take Back event for Vacaville residents.

Derek Crutchfield, City of Vallejo, described the Recycled Art Sculpture Contest that was held at Vallejo's Earth Day event. He also announced that the CA Integrated Waste Management Board may be funding a Sharps Collection program for Vallejo. Vallejo is also holding a Household Hazardous Waste collection event on June 27th. They plan on extending the confidential paper shredding program for another six months and making it a countywide event. They are also getting ready to do some used oil recycling events at certified centers in Vallejo.

Jane Bogner, Sierra Club, announced an e-waste recycling event at Steffan Elementary School on May 30th. The WRAP program is accepting applications which are due June 15th.

6. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

The next meeting will be held at Mt. Diablo Recycling, 1300 Loveridge Rd., Pittsburg

The next regular LTF meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2009
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