



Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Directors
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SUBJECT: California Integrated Waste Management Act

RECOMMENDATION

CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff to provide an update on the status of activities related to the Act.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The five-year review of the Integrated Waste Management Plan and its associated elements is underway. Staff is reviewing the possibility that they may be able to submit a Local Task Force (LTF) letter of determination that the documents do not need to be revised by the end of September. The LTF letter and report would go to the Supervisors and California Integrated Waste Management Board at the same time.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939) requires cities and counties in

California to reduce the amount of solid waste disposed in landfills by 50% by the year 2000 and thereafter. This is to be accomplished through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities. The County Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP) is the guiding document for attaining these goals. The content requirements of the CIWMP are identified in the Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 41751.

Under AB 939 counties were required to prepare and submit to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) a CIWMP. The CIWMP includes the Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE), Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE), and Nondisposal Facility Element (NDFE) for each jurisdiction in the county, and a Countywide Siting Element (SE) and Summary Plan (SP) for the county. The chart below shows Napa County's AB 939 Reporting entities.

Jurisdiction/Reporting Entity	SRRE	NDFE	HHWE	Siting Element	Summary Plan	Notes
American Canyon	Apr-97	Apr-97	Apr-97	NA	NA	
City of Napa	Sep-94	Jun-96	Oct-94	NA	NA	Base year correction 10/1997
Upper Valley Waste Management Agency	Jul-97	Jul-97	Jul-97	NA	NA	
Remaining Unincorporated County	Apr-97	Feb-95	Feb-95	Jul-97	NA	Base year correction 10/97 New base year 2003
County-wide					Jul-97	

The CIWMP addresses waste management conditions within the county. It also provides an overview of the actions that will be taken to achieve the diversion requirements of PRC section 41780 and to maintain 15 years disposal capacity. Statute requires that the elements comprising the CIWMP be reviewed every five years after the original CIWMP approval date, and be revised, if necessary. The focus, therefore, of the Five-Year CIWMP review is to determine if these planning documents are still adequate or should be revised. Although Napa County's first five year review was officially due in 2002, no action was taken because (1) the CIWMB had not yet prepared guidelines for the reports and (2) Napa County's Solid Waste Local Task Force (SWLTF) had yet to be reconstituted.

The next Five-Year review will be due in 2007. The SWLTF was officially reconstituted in spring 2006 and began meeting in March. Members include representatives from each of the reporting entities (see chart above). The SWLTF has met ten times and is making a conscientious effort to be thorough in its review, knowing that the effort invested now will make the 2007 reviewing process considerably less arduous.

The county's SWLTF must submit written comments to the county in conformance with Section 18788 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations with a determination that the CIWMP does or does not require a revision. The SWLTF anticipates this will be accomplished in November 2006. Because the CIWMB has constantly updated the Annual Report requirements of jurisdictions, much of the intent of the Five-Year review is now being met through Annual Reports. The SWLTF does not anticipate the need for a revision.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

Recommendation: Approve
Reviewed By: Belinda Yamate