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## Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Steven Lederer - Manager  
Upper Valley Waste Management Agency  
**REPORT BY:** Alice Ramirez, Senior Office Assistant - 259-6716  
**SUBJECT:** California Integrated Waste Management Act

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT**

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

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### **WASTE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS UPDATE**

Hazardous Waste Collections – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Clean Harbors, conducted a set of business/household events on October 26 and 27 at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga.

Three businesses made appointments and paid for disposal of hazardous materials on Friday, October 26. On Saturday October 27, residents from each of the UVWMA member communities participated in the household HW collection. Clean Harbors accepted 242 deliveries of hazardous materials from up-valley households. The turn-out was higher than the fall 2017 event, which had 172 deliveries.

64% of attendees had used an up-valley HW event before, 69% of attendees were Calistoga residents and the top referral sources were the UVDS newsletter and the Calistoga tribune. Staff advertised the event via; banner in downtown Calistoga, UVDS newsletter, Calistoga Tribune ad and insert, St. Helena water bill insert, CalMart marquee, St. Helena Chamber of Commerce e-newsletter and flyers around the community.

Sharps and Medications Disposal – Up-valley residents may drop-off sharps at Ole Health offices at 1222 Pine St. Suite A, in St. Helena or 911 Washington St. in Calistoga during regular business hours. Clean Harbors accepts medications and sharps at up-valley hazardous waste collection events. Clover Flat Landfill accepts sharps at no charge during regular business hours. Vasconi's Pharmacy in St Helena, independently installed a medication collection bin; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids. A medication collection bin is located at both the St. Helena and Calistoga Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted. Napa County Sheriff provides staff to empty the bin and funds the disposal costs for the medications at the law enforcement locations.

Up valley residents can pick up a free sharps container at; Silverado Pharmacy in Calistoga, Ole Health in St.

Helena and Calistoga, Vasconi's Pharmacy in St. Helena, Smiths Pharmacy in St. Helena and the PHHWCF in south Napa County.

The DEA Prescription Drug Take Back Day was October 27. 87 pounds of sharps and 68 pounds of medications were collected at the Yountville Police Department. 40 pounds of sharps and 29 pounds of medications were collected at the St. Helena Police Department. 47 pounds of sharps and 41 pounds of medications were collected at the Calistoga Police Department. DEA funds disposal costs of collected medications, Napa Vallejo Waste Management Authority is covering disposal costs for sharps.

SB 212 requires pharmaceutical companies to pay for a statewide medication and sharps take back program. Pet medications and over the counter medications along with prescription medications would be covered. A minimum of five collection bins per county or one for every 50,000 people, whichever is more, would be required. Sharps collection will be provided as a mail back program. SB 212 was signed into law by Governor Brown in September.

Paint Recycling – The paint industry, working through its affiliated non-profit group, "PaintCare," handles and covers all costs of shipment and disposal of paints and other coatings dropped-off by the public at up-valley hazardous waste events, at the "recycle only" hazardous waste collection station in Yountville, and at Clover Flat Landfill. Up-valley residents and businesses can drop-off paints and coatings at these collection sites at no charge. PaintCare lists all acceptable paints and coatings on its website: [www.paintcare.org](http://www.paintcare.org).

Mattress Recycling – The nonprofit Mattress Recycling Council launched their mattress recycling program, Bye Bye Mattress, in California in January 2016. The program uses a recycling fee collected on each mattress and box spring sold; fees pay for the transportation and recycling of the mattresses. Clover Flat Landfill is now accepting mattresses for free through the Bye Bye Mattress program. More information can be found at [www.byebyemattress.com](http://www.byebyemattress.com).

Beverage Container Recycling Program – UVWMA applies as a regional agency for payments that CalRecycle issues for beverage container recycling programs. Staff uses the \$25,000 of funds for beverage container recycling and litter reduction activities. Examples include the purchase of recycling bins for public buildings, community parks, main streets, businesses, schools and public gathering areas, recycling at public and private events, and related publicity and education. UVWMA has received payment for the FY 18/19 cycle. CalRecycle has moved up usual deadlines for the applications, UVWMA staff are preparing now for the next fiscal year application, it is due in December.

CalRecycle –UVWMA staff submitted Form 303 to CalRecycle, form 303 documents hazardous waste that was collected in FY 2017-18 at the temporary events in St. Helena and Calistoga, as well as at the ABOP in Yountville.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – UVWMA provided assistance to Up Valley Family Center to make their Dia de Los Muertos event in October zero waste. UVWMA staff assisted with the training of St. Helena High School's Interact Club, club members assist with waste diversion at the Dia de los Muertos event each year. Staff also provided interior compost, recycling and trash bins, signs for each waste stream and bags for the event. UVWMA funded food waste and recycling carts from UVDS for the event.

UVWMA staff attended a Zero Waste Food Forum in Berkeley in October. SB 1383 requires, among other things, 20% recovery of edible food. Staff are researching how this can be accomplished in the upper valley area.

Napa County Green Business Program – County staff offers a Green Business certification to businesses that meet high environmental standards for reduced energy use, water conservation, pollution prevention, recycling and waste reduction. UVWMA is assisting by providing interior recycling containers and signage for offices, wine production, food service, and picnic areas. UVDS is providing waste service level audits and a set of recycling and composting collection services. 14 up valley wineries and three up valley businesses were certified in FY 2017-18. Nine up valley wineries and one business have been certified so far in FY 2018-19.

## **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**

None.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

Recommendation: Approve  
Reviewed By: Steven Lederer