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# Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

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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 relevant to the Act.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## WASTE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS UPDATE

<u>Hazardous Waste Collections</u> – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Clean Harbors, conducted a set of business/household events on November 10 and 11 at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga. The events were originally scheduled for October 20 and 21, but were rescheduled due to the fires. Staff advertised the rescheduled event through; Calistoga Tribune ad, St. Helena Star/Weekly Calistogan ad, City of Calistoga e-blast, Napa County Facebook and a robo call from Upper Valley Disposal Service.

Zero businesses utilized the collection day on Friday, November 10. On Saturday November 11, residents from each of the UVWMA member communities participated in the household HW collection. Clean Harbors handled 172 deliveries of hazardous materials from up-valley households. The turn-out was lower than the fall 2016 event, which had 243 deliveries. Staff will report to the Board on the costs of the collection at a future meeting.

<u>Paint Recycling</u> – The paint industry, working through its affiliated non-profit group PaintCare, covers all costs for shipment and disposal of paints and other coatings dropped off by the public at: up-valley hazardous waste events, Yountville ABOP, Clover Flat Landfill and The Paint Works in St. Helena. Residents and businesses can drop off at these collection sites at no charge. PaintCare lists all acceptable paints and coatings on its website: www.paintcare.org.

<u>Mattress Recycling</u> – The Mattress Recycling Council was formed by the mattress industry to operate recycling programs (Bye Bye Mattress) in states which have enacted mattress recycling laws, which includes California. 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.

<u>Beverage Container Recycling Program</u> – UVWMA creates a funding pool each year with payments that CalRecycle issues to the four UVWMA member agencies. Staff uses the \$25,000 of funds for beverage container and litter reduction activities, including purchase of recycling bins for public buildings, community parks, main streets, businesses, schoolyards and public gathering areas, recycling at public and private events, and related publicity and education.

<u>Napa County Green Business Program</u> – County staff offers a Green Business certification to businesses that meet high environmental standards for reduced energy use, water conservation, recycling and waste reduction, and pollution prevention. 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. 11 up valley wineries and two up valley businesses were certified in FY 2016-17, seven up valley wineries and one up valley business has been certified so far in FY 2017-18.

<u>Sharps and Medications Disposal</u> – 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 the St. Helena Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids are accepted, no liquids. UVWMA staff is currently researching an additional location for a sharps drop off kiosk, focusing on areas that do not currently have a sharps drop off option.

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 28. Totals for medications collected; Yountville 102lbs, St. Helena 21lbs and Calistoga 12lbs. Totals for sharps collected; Yountville 41lbs, St. Helena 22lbs and Calistoga 11b. DEA funds disposal costs of collection medications, UVWMA will pay disposal costs for sharps.

<u>Food Recovery/Food Waste Reduction</u> – Staff attended a consensus workshop hosted by Waste Not Napa Valley on November 3. The workshop included a background on food insecurity in Napa and brainstorming to hone in on the focus of Waste Not Napa Valley. Less than 25% of residents who are eligible for low-and no-cost emergency food and nutrition assistance are accessing available resources. At the same time, 11% of Napa County residents report experiencing food insecurity and 19% of children in the County are experiencing food insecurity. Waste Not Napa Valley's work could help UVWMA to meet food recovery standards set by SB 1383.

Staff attended a Safe Surplus Food Donation Training in October hosted by the California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health; the training was aimed at Public and Environmental Health regulators. The training included; laws surrounding food donation/rescue, current stakeholders, barriers, roles of environmental health specialists in food recovery, and a toolkit for both potential donors and government agencies. Per AB 1219, enforcement officials shall promote the recovery of food fit for human consumption during normal routine inspections. Staff will be looking into how to collaborate with Napa County environmental health specialists to disseminate and promote food recovery information.

<u>Solid Waste Relevant Legislation</u> – AB 1826 was enacted in September 2014 and went into effect in April 2016. AB 1826 requires businesses that generated organic waste materials to separate the material for composting, the requirements phase in depending on the volume of organic waste generated each week. AB 341 was enacted in

October 2011 and went into effect in July 2012. AB 341 requires that businesses that generate more than 4 cubic yards of solid waste per week and multifamily dwellings of five or more units must have recycling services. SB 1383 was enacted in September 2016 and goes into effect in January 2022. SB 1383 is a multi-agency bill, the solid waste portion requires a 50% reduction in organics in landfills compared in 2014 levels by 2020 and a 75% reduction by 2025.

<u>CalRecycle</u> - CalRecycle has reviewed and approved UVWMA's 2016 Electronic Annual Report. A copy of the approval letter is attached, titled "2016 Electronic Annual Report - Letter from CalRecycle". UVWMA staff submitted Form 303 to CalRecycle, form 303 documents hazardous waste that was collected in FY 2016-17 at the temporary events in St. Helena and Calistoga, as well as at the ABOP in Yountville.

## 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

A . 2016 Electronic Annual Report - Letter from CalRecycle

Recommendation: Approve Reviewed By: Steven Lederer