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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 relevant to the Act.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Waste Reduction and Recycling Activities Update:

HHW Collection Event in Calistoga – UVWMA again hired PSC Environmental Services for operation of the Oct. 20 household hazardous waste (HHW) collection event at Calistoga Fairgrounds. The contractor accepted 341 deliveries (a record for UVWMA events) of HHW. The large majority of event participants were Calistoga residents (64%). Other participants were from the City of St. Helena (22%), Town of Yountville (2%) and unincorporated county areas (12%). Staff will provide information on amounts of HHW received and total costs as soon as it receives this information from the contractor.

Paint Recycling - In 2010, the state legislature passed AB 1343, which transferred responsibility for paint recycling and disposal from government agencies to the paint industry. In response, the industry hired a non-profit, "PaintCare," to establish a statewide recycling program. In phase I of the program, PaintCare is negotiating contracts with local agencies and private paint retail stores that will operate collection sites. PaintCare would cover the costs of paint shipment and disposal from the existing collection sites at Clover Flat Landfill and Yountville Corporation Yard and from temporary HHW collection events that UVWMA holds. PaintCare's activities should reduce UVWMA's overall annual HHW collection program costs by about 30%. Clover Flat Landfill operators would likely see an even greater percentage reduction in shipping and disposal costs of HHW they accept. Unfortunately, PaintCare's work has been delayed due to disputes with local government agencies over liability for collected HHW, and with the state over aspects of the new state regulations. Staff will provide another update on progress toward a contract with PaintCare at the next meeting.

Home Composting Workshops – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County

Master Gardeners successfully hosted 10 public workshops this year, including 4 in up-valley communities. Staff will provide the 2012-13 workshop calendar after sponsoring organizations complete the new schedule in February.

Beverage Container Recycling Program - UVWMA has received and budgeted \$25,000 of state payment funds for beverage container and litter reduction activities. Staff plans to use the bulk of these funds for recycling collection at parks and schools, and for advertising.

Up-valley Regular Drop-off Recycling and Waste Collections

- Computers and Electronics – Clover Flat Landfill – accepted daily during regular business hours.
- Fluorescent Lamps – from households only – accepted at Central Valley Builders Supply and Steve's Hardware in St. Helena; Silverado Ace Hardware and Clover Flat Landfill in Calistoga; College Hardware in Angwin; La Luna Market in Rutherford; and Yountville Corp. Yard - during regular business hours.
- Household Batteries - from households only – accepted at Napa Valley Coffee Roasting Company, Central Valley Builders Supply, and Steve's Hardware in St. Helena; Silverado Ace Hardware and Clover Flat Landfill in Calistoga; Town Hall and the Corporation Yard in Yountville - during regular business hours.
- Sharps Disposal – Up-valley residents can drop-off old or unwanted used needles and lancets at Clinic Ole Offices – 661 Main St. in St. Helena and 911 Washington St. in Calistoga, during regular business hours. Staff is working with UVDS personnel to identify and assess opportunities for expanded sharps collection and related public information efforts. Staff recently placed an ad in the Town of Yountville Parks and Recreation Guide and has arranged for distribution of informational ad cards with City of St. Helena and Calistoga utility bill mailings. Staff is also conducting outreach to local pharmacy, veterinary, dental, and other businesses to assess how owners may help with public information efforts. UVDS is arranging for collection of sharps at Clover Flat Landfill. Staff will provide further updates on sharps management at future meetings.
- Agricultural Chemical Container Recycling Event - Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office hosted another ag. chemical container collection event on Monday, November 5 at the Napa County Corporation Yard at 7292 Silverado Tr. in Yountville. The agency hosts two events in most years and intends to host another event in the spring of 2013.

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