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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

Paint Recycling – The paint industry now covers all costs of shipment and disposal of paints accepted at up-valley household hazardous waste (HHW) events and Yountville Corporation Yard. Residents and businesses can drop-off paint and other "architectural coatings" at these sites during regular business hours at no charge. The industry contracts with the non-profit group, "PaintCare" for packaging and shipping of the collected paints. The group lists acceptable paints and coatings on its website: www.paintcare.org/docs/ca_official_products_list.pdf.

Household Hazardous Waste Events – UVWMA and its hazardous waste contractor hosted the first of two planned household hazardous waste collection events for this fiscal year on October 26 at Calistoga Fairgrounds. Event participation was down from the record-breaking event the agency held last year, when attendees dropped off over 340 carloads of HHW. The agency's HHW contractor handled 273 deliveries this year. Event costs were also substantially less than last year, due mainly to smaller amounts of HHW turned-in at the event and the diversion of all paint-type products accepted at the event to the PaintCare program. The hazardous waste contractor charged \$17,895.00 for collection and disposal services associated with this October event compared to \$30,200 for the event held the previous year. The UVWMA spring HHW event is scheduled for April 12 at the UVDS Composting and Recycling Facility by Rutherford Grove Winery in St. Helena.

Home Composting Workshops – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners have completed the schedule for public workshops for 2014-15. The calendar and sign-up information is attached.

Beverage Container Recycling Program – For the past decade, UVWMA has pooled the annual payments received by its four member agencies through this state program to create a \$25,000 annual fund for beverage container and litter reduction programs and activities. UVWMA has used the funds to provide free interior recycling bins to businesses and public agencies, purchase and install outdoor recycling bins in community parks, streets, schoolyards and other public gathering areas, and to support and advertise recycling at local public and private events. The funds represent \$25,000 of the \$35,000 (71%) of the funds UVWMA budgets for recycling and litter reduction, composting, and related public education and information activities each year. In January, CalRecycle issued a proposal to restructure this state payment program to reduce overall expenditures and emphasize enforcement of beverage container redemption activities in California. Its proposed changes would discontinue the annual payments to communities and increase funding for an existing CalRecycle competitive grant program. The proposal seems to be moving quickly through the state's approval process. It's unknown whether the increases in the existing competitive grant program would be available to small communities or agencies that may have few resources to compete with big cities and counties for grants.

Recycling and Waste Collections Opportunities in Up-valley Communities:

Computers and Electronics – Clover Flat Landfill – accepted daily during regular business hours.

Irrigation Hose Recycling - UVDRS will host collection events at its recycling facility at Whitehall Lane on May 2 and November 7, 2014.

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 and Pharmaceuticals Disposal – Up-valley residents can obtain a free sharps collection container or drop-off old or unwanted pharmaceuticals or sharps at local Clinic Ole offices – 661 Main St. in St. Helena or 911 Washington St. in Calistoga - during regular business hours. The agency's HHW contractor also accepts pharmaceuticals and sharps at periodic HHW collection events. The Calistoga Police Department, together with the local Soroptimists organization, will host a pharmaceuticals collection event in April, 2014.

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 . Compost Workshop schedule

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Julia Travis