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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, RECYCLING, HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS UPDATE

Hazardous Waste Collections – The spring hazardous waste collection events are scheduled for April 3 (business) and April 4 (residential). The events will be held at the Upper Valley Compost and Recycling Yard. Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Stericycle Environmental Solutions, will collect and dispose of HW materials collected. Business will schedule appointments and pay disposal costs for their materials, residents are not charged a fee. UVWMA staff plan to work with the Napa County Ag Commissioner's Office staff to promote the business HW event to local growers.

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. Stericycle Environmental Solutions 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, Calistoga and Yountville 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.

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 2018. CalRecycle is currently conducting informal rulemaking workshops regarding SB 212.

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 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.

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.byebymattress.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 staff are preparing now for the next fiscal year application, it is due in March.

CalRecycle – CalRecycle requested 2019 AB 1826 and AB 341 data from UVMWA staff due to low 2018 AB 1826 participation. UVWMA staff submitted the requested to data to CalRecycle on December 18, 2019 and have not heard back on the topic. CalRecycle’s yearly conference call and site visit with UVWMA has been scheduled. CalRecycle staff will be reviewing government programs, hazardous waste programs, AB 1826 (mandatory organics recycling) and AB 341 (mandatory recycling). The conference call is scheduled for February 19 and the site visit March 3.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – UVWMA and UVDS staff are planning a drip hose recycling event for May 1. A drip hose event has not been held since November 2017. Due to the changing recycling market, a fee will be charged to businesses dropping off drip hose for recycling. UVWMA staff met with staff from agency member jurisdictions in preparation for the CalRecycle site visit to review government programs. Examples of what CalRecycle will review include: employee education on waste diversion, source reduction efforts, internal recycling programs, organics diversion from parks maintenance and procurement of recycled content products. UVWMA staff presented information on up valley waste diversion programs at Green Seal’s Napa Valley Hotel Sustainability Workshop in January. UVWMA staff continued outreach, waste assessments and presentations through AB 1826 compliance, direct requests from businesses and the Napa County Green Business Program.

Home Composting Workshops – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners have scheduled 2020 workshop dates. All compost workshops will cover both backyard hot composting and worm composting. Attendees can receive either a free worm compost bin or purchase a significantly discounted backyard compost bin. The up valley compost workshop will be held on March 28 in Calistoga, at the Boys and Girls Club. Residents can sign up for workshops at www.compost.naparecycles.org

Napa County Green Business Program – Napa 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 waste assessments, interior recycling and compost containers, signs and presentations to staff. UVDS is providing waste service level audits. 11 wineries and one business have been certified so far in FY 19/20.

SB 1383 – The current comment period for SB 1383 ended on October 18, 2019. CalRecycle is not expecting another draft to be released. The regulations will be finalized when the Office of Administrative Law approves them, which CalRecycle anticipates to be late February/early March. CalRecycle expects to release model ordinances as soon as the regulations are approved.

UVWMA staff edited a CalRecycle provided presentation on SB 1383 for clarity and brevity. It is included as Attachment A - SB 1383 Presentation for City Managers. It is intended to be for up valley city managers in preparation for SB 1383. City managers will also be provided with Attachment B - Draft SB 1383 Consolidated Task List, which was included in the board packet in October 2019.

CalRecycle wrote an article for Western City magazine, the League of California Cities is helping to get the word out about the article. A PDF of the article is included as Attachment C - What Cities Need to Know About SB 1383 and Funding Organic Waste Management.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:

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 . Attachment A - SB 1383 Presentation for City Managers
- B . Attachment B - Draft SB 1383 Consolidated Task List
- C . Attachment C - What Cities Need to Know About SB 1383

Recommendation: Approve
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