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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 26 (business) and April 27 (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, Clean Harbors, 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.

The Calistoga HW collection event was in October 2018. Staff received the event invoice on December 18, 2018 and requested corrections on the invoice due to billing errors on January 2, 2019. Staff have not received a corrected invoice from Clean Harbors.

UVWMA contracts for HW collection service in cooperation with Napa-Vallejo Waste Management Authority (NVWMA). The current contract with Clean Harbors ends June 30, 2019. Staff worked with NVWMA staff to ensure UVA HW disposal needs were included in the request for proposals. NVWMA staff anticipate selecting a new HW contractor in May.

The hazardous waste recycling center in Yountville, also known as an ABOP or BOPA, is set to close on March 29, 2019. Staff are working to ensure the public is informed of the site closure and alternative disposal options. Staff are currently awaiting a quote from UVWMA's HW collections contractor, Clean Harbors, for the removal of the antifreeze and motor oil tank in Yountville as well as the motor oil tank in St. Helena.

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.

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 completed the application for the FY 19/20 cycle and it has been recommended for payment by CalRecycle staff.

SB 1383 – CalRecycle held a formal rulemaking hearing for SB 1383 on March 12, 2019. CalRecycle's Proposed Regulation Text is included as Attachment A - Proposed Organic Waste Reduction Regulations.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – UVWMA staff are continuing to work on AB 1826 outreach and compliance. Staff have received a list of businesses who meet the current threshold requiring AB 1826 compliance from Upper Valley Disposal service.

Upper Valley Disposal Service's Community Outreach Coordinator assisted UVWMA staff with AB 341 and AB 1826 compliance, presentations and community education on recycling and composting, providing information for service levels of commercial accounts, completing the quarterly newsletter and answering questions on items that are and are not accepted in UVDS's various waste streams.

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

Master Gardeners have scheduled 2019 workshop dates. New this year, 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 16 in St Helena, at the Up Valley campus of Napa Valley College. Residents can sign up for workshops at www.compost.naparecycles.org

UVWMA staff are holding an additional worm composting workshop at the request of the After Class Enrichment (ACE) program at Calistoga Junior/Senior High School on March 27, 2019. ACE program students will learn about worm composting techniques and will be able to take home a worm composting bin at no cost.

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 business were certified in FY 2017-18. 14 up valley wineries and two businesses 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

A . Attachment A - Proposed Organic Waste Reduction Regulations

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer