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# Upper Valley Waste Management Agency **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Directors

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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

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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 Earth conducted a set of business/household events on April 9 and 10 at the Upper Valley Compost and Recycling Yard in St Helena. Staff will report on costs for the event at a future meeting.

13 businesses utilized the collection day on Friday April 9, businesses paid disposal costs for their hazardous waste. On Saturday April 10, residents from each of the UVWMA member communities participated in the household HW collection. A total of 171 deliveries were made to the event. The total turnout was higher than the previous event in St Helena, which had 146 deliveries.

UVWMA staff encouraged the public to schedule appointments in advance, but waste was also accepted from attendees without an appointment. 81% of those who scheduled an appointment attended the event. 9% of attendees did not schedule an appointment in advance. The most common city of residence of attendees was St Helena and the most common referral source was the Upper Valley Disposal Service newsletter

The Calistoga HW collection event was in October 2020. Staff received the event invoice on February 20, 2021 and requested corrections on the invoice due to billing errors on March 2, 2021. Staff have not received a corrected invoice from Clean Earth.

The next hazardous waste event is scheduled for November 5 (business) and 6 (residential). The event will be held at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga. Staff have secured banner space across Lincoln Ave in

Calistoga to help to promote the event.

<u>Treated Wood Waste (TWW)</u> – Napa County and UVWMA staff developed a Treated Wood Waste (TWW) fact sheet, it is included as Attachment A – Treated Wood Waste. The fact sheet has been posted to the Napa County and UVDS website. It has also been shared with various entities throughout Napa County who have the opportunity to share disposal information with wineries and grape growers who may have TWW to dispose of.

<u>Sharps and Medications Disposal</u> – SB 212 requires pharmaceutical companies to pay for a statewide medication and sharps take back program. SB 212 was approved by the Office of Administrative Law on January 7, 2021. The regulations are effective immediately. Manufacturers are now required to form one or more product stewardship organizations, submit plans to CalRecycle within 6 months of the adoption of the regulations, and obtain CalRecycle's approval of the proposed stewardship plan, initial program budget, etc.

<u>Beverage Container Recycling Program</u> – 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 next fiscal year in December 2020.

<u>CalRecycle</u> – UVWMA staff have scheduled the annual CalRecycle site visit to evaluate compliance with various waste diversion requirements. This year's site visit will cover AB 1826, AB 827, AB 341 and preparedness for SB 1383. Due to COVID-19, the in person site visit will likely be replaced by a conference call.

<u>SB 1383</u> – UVWMA staff continue to prepare for SB 1383, the regulations take effect January 1, 2022. UVWMA staff have created a task timeline for the remainder of 2021 and 2022 to ensure compliance with SB 1383. The most pertinent pending tasks are creating and finalizing MOU's between UVWMA and member jurisdictions as well as creating and passing required SB 1383 ordinances at each member jurisdiction.

UVWMA staff met with city managers from the City of Calistoga and St Helena as well as the town manager from the Town of Yountville. Each meeting covered the responsibilities of SB 1383 that will likely fall upon individual member jurisdictions, and which tasks will be the responsibility of UVWMA staff. An example presentation is included as Attachment B – 1383 Presentation for City Staff.

UVWMA staff have developed a public education campaign for up valley residents, in advance of the start of residents adding food, food soiled paper and yard waste to their green cart at home. The campaign took into account best practice recommendations by the City of Napa after a similar public education campaign in 2015. It is tentatively set to start July 1, 2021. The public education campaign is included as Attachment C – Public Education Campaign and potential associated costs are included as Attachment D – Public Education Campaign Costs.

<u>Carbon Farming</u> - SB 1383 requires jurisdictions to purchase organic waste products for use or giveaway. One organic waste product that meets procurement requires is compost. A potential outlet for compost is with compost farming. Miguel Garcia with the Napa County Resource Conservation District will present on carbon farming and a copy of his presentation is included as Attachment E - Carbon Farming.

<u>Home Composting Workshops</u> – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners have scheduled 2021 workshops. There will be four workshops, all taking place via Zoom. Napa County have secured a contract with a live interpreter for the workshops so attendees who would be more comfortable listening in Spanish, can do so.

## 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 Treated Wood Waste
- B . Attachment B 1383 Presentation for City Staff
- C . Attachment C Public Education Campaign
- D . Attachment D Public Education Campaign Costs
- E . Attachment E Carbon Farming

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer