



Upper Valley Agency  
WASTE MANAGEMENT

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## Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Julia Travis for Steven Lederer - Manager  
Upper Valley Waste Management Agency  
**REPORT BY:** Julia Travis, BUYER II - 253-4476  
**SUBJECT:** Manager's Report

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities and obtain Board direction where applicable on the items within.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

### **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**

All Form 700s have been turned in. Thanks!

Monthly Financial Reports

Latest report is attached.

So far this year, \$20,609 has been collected for HHW events, which leaves us on pace to collect approximately \$30,000 for the year. The Calistoga event cost approximately \$18,000. Costs for the April Rutherford event are being determined now.

Overall, landfill tonnage (and therefore our surcharge revenue) is running at a rate that could leave us about \$10,000 short of projected budget. We will continue to monitor this and will bring a budget transfer from reserves to the Board for consideration at a later date if it appears needed.

#### Legislative Update

Plastic Bags: SB 270 (Padilla) would accomplish the following: First, it would stop the use of single-use plastic bags at California supermarkets starting in July 2015 and at smaller stores in July 2016; allow stores to charge 10 cents for paper bags; and require increased use of recycled material in reusable plastic bags, at least 20 percent by 2016 and 40 percent by 2020. Second, it would provide \$2 million in seed money for plastic-bag manufacturers to retool and retrain workers so they can begin to make reusable plastic bags. Part 2 is the addition that gives this bill a better chance of passing than last year's SB 405, also authored by Padilla.

Sharps: AB 1893 (Stone) requires sharps containers be provided at point of sale. UVDS has voiced a "support" position on the bill. If there is equal support on the Board, the Board may consider directing staff to write a letter of support for signature by the Chair.

Recovering Commercial Food Scraps and Prunings: AB 1826 (Chesbro)

Batteries, Pharmaceuticals: There is some activity relating to take back programs for each of these items, though passage of legislation is unclear at this point.

#### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

##### A . FINANCIALS

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Julia Travis