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## Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Steven Lederer - Manager  
Upper Valley Waste Management Agency  
**REPORT BY:** Alice Ramirez, Senior Office Assistant - 259-6716  
**SUBJECT:** California Integrated Waste Management Act

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### **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 – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Clean Harbors, conducted a set of business/household events on April 26 and 27 at the Upper Valley Compost and Recycling Yard.

Three businesses utilized the collection day on Friday, April 26. On Saturday April 27, residents from each of the UVWMA member communities participated in the household HW collection event. A total of 162 deliveries were made at the event.

The total turnout was higher than the spring 2018 event, which had 156 deliveries. A table showing the breakdown of attendees is included as Attachment A – 2019 St Helena HW Event. Staff will report to the Board on the costs of the HW collection at a future meeting.

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 received the final corrected invoice, the total cost for the event was \$14,937.55.

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](http://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.byebyemattress.com](http://www.byebyemattress.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 submitted the application for the FY 19/20 cycle, CalRecycle has approved it and payment of funds will arrive in approximately six weeks.

CalRecycle – CalRecycle Local Assistance and Market Development (LAMD) staff have scheduled a site visit with UVWMA staff for May 22, 2019. This is part of CalRecycle's biannual review of our implementation of waste diversion programs. CalRecycle will be reviewing up valley compliance with CalGreen as well as AB 1826 and AB 341 compliance. UVWMA staff will be reaching out to up valley jurisdictions planning and building staff to schedule a time to meet with CalRecycle staff to review CalGreen compliance.

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.

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 was held on March 16 in St Helena, at the Up Valley campus of Napa Valley College. There were 37 attendees, an increase from the 2018 workshop at which there were 13 attendees. Residents can sign up for workshops at [www.compost.naparecycles.org](http://www.compost.naparecycles.org)

UVWMA staff held a 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 learned about worm composting techniques and took home a worm composting bin at no cost. An additional backyard hot composting and worm composting workshop has been scheduled for June 2 in Deer Park.

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. 18 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 – 2019 St Helena HW Event

Recommendation: Approve  
Reviewed By: Steven Lederer